

Letters from Mary Stanley to Parthenope Verney

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MS. 9059/11

26 Mar 27 -

has now - about - with you for -
 the Mary on her return -
 perhaps Arthur will go to
 Fifth Avenue

I can make no more

Love affectionately
 C.

They go on before via Montreal
 spend Sunday in Paris

Dear Mother

You will be startled but
 pleased to hear that probably
 after all Mary is going out with
 the Russ on Saturday -!
 Coming from her home through in
 train, Dept soon on. At 11 AM
 morning the rail was crowded
 by a letter from Mr. Bramble
 that whatever was done in
 good heart would be sent out
 during the summer by the
 way, so the Herberts urged the
 Mary, so say strongly that Mary
 has consented to take them

out & when there in 1840
hands - they not for 10 or 20
& now 40 are going - based
against my judgment but
it may enable them to send
the money over home

Many have all the qualifications
for this job good French
English - head dull as
you know - she has not
for the Hospital work

I should not think of attempting
but this the first she can do
amalgamating & bringing
them together & now the boys
may be cloth against all
further applications

It is only to take them out
& put them round & come
home. D. Meyer is Dp
a captive man. Hope know

work on Van D. Land - Mr. Long
the individual I am writing

very bad. The atmosphere worsened as we advanced, we passed down 2 or 3 of these immense corridors, asking our way as we went. At last he came to the front room, then through a door into a large busy kitchen, where stood Mrs Margaret Williams who seemed much pleased to see me. Then a heavy curtain was raised, I went through a door, & there sat Mrs. Williams, small dark unpainted table. I have seen her looking better. She had on her black merino tunic with velvet blue linen collar & cuffs, apron, white cap with a black headkerchief tied over it. & there was Mrs. Bonebridge looking

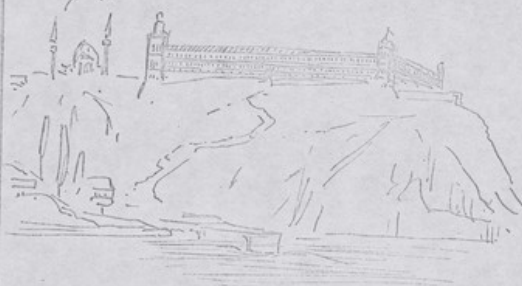
Dec 21 54

Parrish Hospital!

I came down this morning in the steamer with Mr Meyer, running in close along shore & calling at every village. Summer must make a great difference in the beauty. As it is, there is just something. The hills are low the villages all slide coming down to the water's edge, picturesque overhanging houses, always a mission in each village, a Cyprus grove, i.e. buying ground.

The buildings increasing in size & splendour as we heard the fiddle horn. We shined down to the Bridge of Noels (I was not prepared for its condition)

What a curious sight watching the papers over it Greek, Turkish, English. Here he hides a Cozma in which he crept over. Rather a swell. The view of the Hospital as you draw near is very fine.



There was a heavy surf, no ship could have been landed today. It is a very steep pull up to the Hospital, along a paved road. It was with an ordinary

feelings that one looked off that pier & walked up that hill. The two places of which one had heard so much, the scenes of such intense sufferings.

It was when I turned round & looked back that I saw what Constantinople was the grandeur the situation the whole the foreground of Cyprus.

We entered the door, we turned up the stone stairs. on the second floor we came to the corridors of sick, on low wooden stands raised above a foot from the floor, placed about 2 or 3 feet apart, & leaving 2 or 3 feet down the middle along which we walked. I saw nothing

Miss Clarke coming in to see what I Please Mr Gordon wishes to see Miss
Wardle spite of what I could say. It about the orders she gave him.
The work this morning was the dealing Mr Sabini comes in for something else
of General Adams' remains, & the Mr Mordaunt is in & out about funeral
arrangements consequent upon it. Adams & orders of various kinds &
a stream of people.

Please Miss have you any black cloth herself.
paper?

Please what can I give who's bough
deep on his stomach is there any arrow
root today for him.

In the time of arrowroot must be for
the worst cases, we cannot spare him
any, nor is there any jelly today, try
him with some egg &c.

Comments that Florence will do so much

As to hearing any details of any individual
as to be any comfort to friends in
England, at present it seems to me
as great an improbability as flying.

Each of our ladies had a list of
friends' friends whom they were desirous
to see after. It is not probable as far as

but they have given me vague assurances
 of Mr. Ds - I say that as to
 getting so a 70 - she cannot
 do it with me attempt it -
 So - half this she will have
 to come back I suppose with
 the Atlanta Sun show they
 are to be printed - I have
 been !!! - I guess they will
 not see Linton at all - I
 description of the difficulty of
 getting from one place to another
 & getting any thing whatever -
 Mr. H. is very unhappy in the

MS 9059/3
 Recently
 Canterbury
 Dec 25-54

My dear Parker

I have drawn your character
 of George Dyer Mary Loken
 of the 11. Saints of Virginia -
 I had show to every body else
 I have made a judicious copy
 not to be copied for the family
 I made - but it is safe
 you should see every one
 I have some anxiety - Mrs
 is something more at the end

but she has had plenty of these
already - I suppose too you I
think the amount from Emma
M.H. has sent me a letter of
F's to M.H. such a dear letter
with the first hint of Mrs. H.
that they were going I need not
have deprecating it as the
strongest terror - I guess, the
strongest reason why - & that
she could not undertake to
join in in number that
she was kind - that it was

simple - imperfect -
I suppose she had written to
and that I should have
for the Board for they could not
Now I feel as I have said
before that Henry is the only
help out of the difficulty
but it will be a great one -
if this letter had come
sooner with its definite
portion of the whole - or if they
had not waited for it.!!!

both may be - I hope every body
will be too busy to engage in
particulars - but it will not be
a pretty story - this folk cannot
expect them if they are drawn
back - imagine Miss. Shaw's.

The only comfort is that I must
after the grand column of the evening
party it will be a ray of light
when they hear Mary is coming -
I mean when you read about the way
of D. Meyer & W. Perry, one feels that
with her very help such an
emergency requires - & they must
wait here for the answer to the

request for letter of credit -

I trust you will have a
check off on the amount the
has seen F - but I do not

know what I
am off by
CS

very good & comfortable here to
have got rid of my pain in the
face at last -

have anythg. & so do some
of the Nurses - then I pretend
say I have detected smuggling
in brandy from the village thro
the medium of a fresh boy!

Shaw Stewart has turned her
enterprising energies into the laundry
trib. Kate Jones is Physician
Kate Anderson is housekeeper.
The 15 Nurses are safe in a house
at the top of the garden - as happy
as they can be - idle!

Emily Anderson is fit to go to
Bala Malava in command.

We have some old people, fit
to nurse the smartest young
officers.

Have don't fret - all will
come right - & I hope I won't
fall out - even if we can't
agree. I can't write you
more. Love yours most loving
M. Stanley

MS. 9059/14

Shropshire Hill 30

30/1/51

dearest.

Don't be unhappy about
us. I make a point of writing
to urge this -

I wonder if you feel Mr. S's
words so explicit as that they
sending us out as he did was
a direct breach of faith, de-
serving what has come upon
him. I cannot but think that
had you so understood the
matter you would have re-
monstrated in Mr. S's name.

- dearest your loving words
went to my heart as I read
them. I felt what they would
had been since I came.

Certainly you were right in

your conjectures of peace
making -

I am trying hard to keep
all ends together. It would
be wholly untrue to say I
view the State of affairs
with dearest Eliza's eyes: for
I differ on many points &
this pains me. I am so an-
xious to be convinced she
is right throughout & not to
return till I can fight her
battles with my whole heart.
- Lady Stretford is both wise
& kind. She said she very
much wished to see me &
take the matter over & so I
went early Thursday morn-
ing - & concealed nothing

she spoke so justly of Eliza at
my expense & pleased me.
She defended so ably some points
which I blamed - at the same
time being kind & steady to me.
Kidding me came to her in
every trouble for that she was
the person who could & would
help.

The Sherifian proceedings I have
embodied in a letter to Mrs. Ker.
best hoping she will let Her
Majesty have the gift of it as it
is an account of the House of Commons
of how warmly we are welcomed
there as visitors - how delighted
the Ladies were with the Queen's
letter which I circulated amongst
them. Substituting "Soldiers &
Sailors" for "Droops" - & I have
enclosed the Ladies' answers to
it. My 9 Ladies really be.

Therapies Jan 9.

65.

but they work well in their way &
are the best of their kind -
I am convinced the Vitis tree is the
best one or there would be some
difference of opinion on these points
out here & I have never heard one
& I went to Seaton, I had been
ill the day before, overdone, but
she was out today. He was very much
satisfied by a letter from Mr R. the
thought is decided what his answer
would be to her fatal letter. I told her
I felt she knew him well & therefore
I judge what he could not not but
I told her openly that letter of hers was

The sensation in our community of
the departure of Y for the S' Hospital
was immense.

I am very sorry to lose Miss S. Anderson
the only one I can speak openly to
I hope she will do, but I have fears for
her without help, she wants head &
memory.

There came a message from the Hospital
to say the boat would come for us as
it is to take us across to the Giant
Mountain - I had a & Younger went.

The four old ones had considerable
difficulty in descending up the hill.
I thought so much of our situation

how often he had looked at its windows. We have raised our hand-
kerchiefs to them & waved with troops
and at so short distance they saluted, joining up, & they cheer in return.
Nothing interfering, & there the Russian. It was a beautiful day & we greatly
enjoyed ourselves, tho' we heard often
that our army is wasting away in
the utmost wastefulness, their spirit that the Prussian Prospects were as likely
broken, their strength gone. The Black is not to come down & carry you off.
Ra! there were our pondered transports ^{to} the ~~prussian~~ ^{prussian} till ransomed. Imagine
our millions worth of stores, & there, the Prussian Prospects carrying off the
100 miles round that corner, the Danube far across.
Come in, & thro' the narrow passage. They all have their good points & by
below us all as army has passed & all men the best & it is impossible to
our wounded have returned. judge of any till truth. As a cat I could
I cannot describe what it is to see hot say they were sober honest or thoughtful
the steamers pass up & down before our

11 Jan 55

Dearest Martha..

Don't fret about
us. we shall all light
our own legs.

I wish you could have
seen Ho & me yesterday
holding council over
the affairs of the na-
tion - laughing in fits
at the ludicrous

Martha

Mrs. Nightingale

30 Old Burlington R

prints. She had been Jan know there is
evidence the day he. much I cannot un-
fore - but was not understand - but I take
& about yesterday. it an trust -
don't be afraid for
our mutual affection. Ever your most loving
it will move than

W Stanley

survive --

I wish you to see
in my own hand
these facts.

Jan 27 11. Embury. in as
straight a drawing room
as if in Helgrave Sq.
no time for more.

Dear Father - I send this address
as before - I mean in the same spirit
I am as much perplexed as any
body - one feels "I'm not in my
right mind" - but you know -
I'll leave it to you. W.

11 Jan. 1855

Old - I feel with you it will seem
right at the end but it is long road,
You will be pleased I hear Mary has
been two days at Pisa - seen the
Mingus - dined at the Embassy
Lady that just very friendly -
Lord Napier probably will be a courier
to help - You will see only share the
role of the Queen who was present
at her coronation - What from the
Papal might get out of me -

Yours
J. J. J.

Caroline
Jan 11.

My dear Mr. Packer

I comfort myself with the
thought that - at the same I will
understand by the thought of what
you will get next morning - you see it is
delayed in the Amsterdam -

The last I got yesterday says I have
agreed to take in 10 in place of the 100
I have got - & Mary had agreed to
start the Good Hospital for her - but
there is no sign of her from herself that
it is a most unpleasant position for her
I have taken up too official a position

been unanimously say with Dr. Meyer to
Mr. Perry - & it looks like Mary has
position & position not to have
with her official looking down before
with respect to her - There is no knowing
what such a strain brings people to -
& I don't think we get the best
sufficiently sympathized with Mary's
position - but then I do understand
that the other Dr. may say, & truly
you would have seen in position
served by being firm against Mr. Herbert
especially in the sending out, than in
being ^{country gentlemen} ~~being~~ ^{being} ~~being~~ If Mary can absorb

the same way how she with Dr. Meyer
Doubt for - John the Baptist's head
in a change - or such like -

Mary is so distressed not to know
I quite right & to account Dr. Meyer
that he goes on hoping that as she
says she shall in reason put -

So far as the sea school is concerned
in Honolulu Honolulu -

Or what a strange misfit is altogether
that makes the best work at the
moment in the O. C. part - The
Irish Sister such a trouble - Ireland says
& they suspect nothing Bridgman if a

I really believe that she
is too strong for the place.
that all would go better
if she was less stiff & more
But my dearest - it
is a horrid place - no
one trusts another - no
one speaks well of ano-
ther - I have no doubt
that every one I have
come across ^{is} abusing
me - I am so shocked
with the falseness of
people - They abuse
you behind your back
& flatter you to your face.
I have no time or can

d annoyed with their
reception.

Mr. Percy it seems has
complained & his com-
plaints have been sent
back to her - unconvincingly.
I think for no one writes
such things for the indi-
vidual to see - but I
could not honestly say
when she told me of this
letter that I did not
think he had cause for
complaint:

I am so grieved that
from some reason or other
she eliminates the authori-
ties, who were in the anti-
let so anxious to serve her.

Jan 25
Emphatic Percy -

dearest.

I'm not made a
discountess - but I've stolen
my hostess's paper & write
to you. I so wish to tell
you how your last note
wounded my heart & com-
forted me.

In all the trouble here, I
have thought of our English
friends & how full of
trouble they w^d be for
us.

I am very unhappy - there
is no denying it. So is being

fidence in fair words.

I don't think I'll call.
She requires rest &
the more she needs
it the more she works.

Haven't hate me darling
for what I say. You
will know how
I came out of that
steps of circumstances
alone make me
say what I do.

Write to me again.

I fear I shall be
here to receive ^{any} letters
other to these letters.

Ever your most
loving

W Stanley.

My dear - how the
Braidbridge ladies
will!

b to me not to be able to
give my whole heart &
soul to dearest Ilo's view
of this great work.
I hoped at first I should
be convinced when I
saw more. & then I should
be able heartily to agree
for her.

The fact is. She is over-
done. She has under-
taken more than most
tal could do. She came
out as chief of 30 houses
& she had made herself
housekeeper to 4000 ^{men} - &
more than housekeeper.
General agent. - Deeper.

every thing.

c What she has done is
I have no doubt im-
mense. but the individual
working is a secondary
part.

The testimony you have
from all parts of the world
proves what is felt
about the work.

I cannot hear & think
I am seeing the matter
with different eyes. - & the
in justice to others I am
obliged to differ with her.
I felt obliged to protest
am 2 patternmen - Percy &
Meyer & to state that they
had just reason to be

Shaw
Feb 3
55

My dear Father

I don't think you
have seen this account of
Miss Therapia's work -

I have taken up D. 20. The final
arrangement was made - D. D.
Balakrishnan Shaw Stewart - Mrs. McKee
Miss (Mrs) - Dining - D. 20. Stewart
after - & the Settlement mother after
the - she wanted to send Miss Endicott,
& gently objected - & Mrs. D. wrote
to Miss Endicott who of course objected
to any description of what it was
a part of women & their good sense
to sustain - sent the manuscript

Dear Father

18 Jan 55

I don't make out about
the General Hospital at all
very awkward the reading
of the whole is with Miss Endicott
D. 20. Stewart has in it
a view the full length the 46 words
which I took - to know what the
Miss J. Shaw's magazine - readable

after day there - her words 'that she
 sent to the General Hospital -
 his Captain altogether so that we
 had no more advanced day she later
 down denied - but next morning she
 it hopeful again - she has been
 a double thinker that with it
 the scandal of sending back women
 with be avoided - It is there no
 trouble or responsibility about that
 & may hope to get it afterwards -
 Mrs Anderson account of the work
 is most encouraging "fearfully" including
 it very cordial spirit - & the poor
 men without the men drop their
 hands instead of the men -
 nothing for another word - Yours
 J.

it is agreed amongst them
 have been so happy & cheerful
 at Springfield - that the
 have to money thing, & the
 boys - & that the is good
 with - I am your officer
 J.

Cordelia
 Jan 10 1875

dearest I must not
 give you more time

Ever yours most loving

W. Stanley

Levy & Leulali.

5 Feb 55

My dearest

I no letters from you
 since I sent my last.

Certainly it has been a
 most perplexing state of
 things - but I trust all is
 over now, and this I confess
 that I am more puzzled
 than ever - I am truly
 thankful to be where I
 am.

It is hoped one I should not
 be able to employ 16 women
 here - with 800 patients...

but I could not leave 2
or 3 alone. & I was quite
willing to make the attempt
with what she left after
her selection of the best.

She has now been here
a week and my only
despair is that I find
it quite impossible to do
what is required & expect
from us without more
hands.

I wrote to enquire if I
could send some of her
idle nurses, but 5 of
them are sick & so she

cannot help me
We are in the woods
9 or 10 hours each day
i.e. the nurses. I tried
it for 2 days to see what
the work was. & then as
no one can be detailed
private & Colonel in one
I put in another in my
place. I have been for
superintending -- & moving
a bad cold. caught in the
said superintendence.
There has been much
sickness among the Drs
& Orderlies -

with most instructions to supercede
 her!! - This was the official
 she felt to be told it. felt a sorry
 face on all that was said & she
 & made the reputation of D.M. stop
 what it was, - M.P. is as you
 know a troublesome troublesome man
 but D.M. is an honest straightforward
 sensible one - I am much troubled
 with the question as D.M. says
 "most instructions" - know Mary
 is starting her people at Kalam - &
 the trouble is on I trust - so far
 but from Irish men. I think would
 Joseph M. Herbert & David Morris

Dearest Mother

"Individual naming" I
 am certain, but not - certain
 know that F. has not individually
 been - but simply that just
 as M.P. himself said in some
 letter that what they wanted
 was copies of knowledge for
 names - which all say, that
 F. is coming when he will - on
 with himself - cannot be helped
 cannot work by deputy - I write

when they first met
in the beginning of all things, & I
of my own fear of her - & extended
her I think every day, these
hours what she would think
it right & wrong in Dr. Rayburn
today - I remember she was Dr.
not a private -

That her own individual work
has been the most wonderful &
beautiful thing ever done by
woman & that it will live to
all eternity cannot be doubted
for one moment -

That she should not be with
Dunbar with their un-
equal power of making all
under her work so as Dr. in
herself a 30 Name power, is
but saying She is human

The stiffness Mary speaks of
is ^{like} what was shown in her
official manner & herself - as well
as it was - & arose from the idea
I had somehow conceived that
Mr. Herbert had sent Mary over

knowing as he must or ought to
have seen the difference between
Irish & English men - & how friendly
most they were for the work -

I am desperately anxious about it
all still as with as you - & had
no letter by the last mail - I have
begged the Chaplain Mr. Halpin
to write to you - I shall hear much
from him -

Mr. Herbert is now picking out
two Church Warden for the Sydney
Hospital - then about Dr. Wood go
without 50 - The poor St. John have
just been come back safe - & 3

of many women about him on account
of (or plea of) ill health -

The S. Johns are in robust health
and complain. They had no
cough etc - within, after 2 of his

all speak of the good behaviour of
the man. Heed they were so delicate
in making difficult jobs easy -

I wish we may be able to give me
- another comfort when we do meet

Yr very affecⁿ friend
C. Stanley

YB

Jan 10/53-

Kauai Feb 22.

51

She told me when one came that as the women healed - the nurses work ceased - & that they were literally sewing to keep them from itching - & there I saw them sewing in their room.

Feb 25th - dearest I have not a moment more. I have so much I wish to say, but cannot. - The Nurses are in the North room, the last quite satisfactory. I Mr. Cumming refuses to allow us to have more! -

Ever y^rs most aff^r M. L. L. L.

My dearest,

Believe me I am only too anxious to be convinced her view is right - I never before so longed to feel I was wrong & mistaken. -

What disgusts me is that people are dishonest & do not say openly to her. "This is not the province of the Superintendent of the Nurses."

I have no doubt whatever nor has any one I believe that what was done in those 6 weeks was wonderful - No one denies her power & superiority.

look at the amount of
food & clothing, & by
the liberality of friends
has been the means of
distributing -
Look at her soup Kitchens
or Extra Diet Kitchens.
All this & far more I
look at with wonder &
admiration.

But the nursing - the in-
dividual nursing has
been a failure & failure.

No one who has come
under her care would fail
to worship her, and of
course out of the thousand
sands, there must be
hundreds who have had
this blessing if only once

or twice. The who know
the charm of her voice &
manner can well imagine
what the mere sight of her
must be amongst them.
The mere idea that women
are come out to
nurse.

But dearest - she herself
shamed one side of 5th
St into which only she
& Mrs Roberts went.
& these were the lamenting
cases which here are what
we are specially desired
by the Drs to remove with
speed.

She herself told me she was
pregnant. not nurse.
& that with the exception
of 3 she wd rather be alone

Braubridges detaching Dr. Mayes
 presenting - w. I had the opportunity
 of ascertaining on the summer from
 Dr. M. himself - & a more accurate
 & complete mis-apprehension & mis-
 statement of simple facts. And yet he -
 - At this distance there is no
 chance of unravelling it - only
 this one thing I know for certain
 That Marys' single & simple desire
 Marys' had been to see the woman
 she took one placed in work - &
 when there as soon as they were
 in carrying out her object she

1 March
 1853

Dr. Rasther I have waited day
 after day for fresh letters to
 solve some of the mystery - & at
 last come two ^{to Feb 18} - told me all sorts
 the point you are anxious about
 viz Mary coming away - she is in
 her road home by this time in
 all probability - Dr. Tice the head
 doctor at Kentalis commiserated Mary
 & wrote home for more money (\$50
 he said) & a acquittance was made to
 Dr. Cummins - who refused to have any
 more - consequently Mary took the

may very likely, have been profoundly
restorationism - but if she has, "cut
I to the heart" - M. says, that I
have never said one kind word to her.
(Of course she means since the first
interview) -

All this is a mystery we must wait
in what further development we may
be able to unravel. but I will trust
that we may some day compare
our different versions of what has
happened - in the interviews of the
several parties as they, could not
do themselves, & leave it a just
balance - ^{have good reason to} I believe W. Cumming

to be a double tongued man -

Many talks of coming away, as
to day -

The Belakian women have been
entirely welcomed, & will probably
be with a very good note really from
Shaw Stewart -

To add to all other troubles a fire
broke out at Koudak in the women
quarters! - great confusion - but
no lives lost - but they had a
very narrow escape -

Gb

March 1.

Yours affectionately
Stanley

Wish to mamma & see
you --

dearest I must end.

Ever yours most affec^{to}

W. Stanley

Kewdale March 21st

21 March 1855

dearest, Parke

I forgot if I have written
since I heard from you.
I think not - but I must
write you an account of my
farewell visit to Scutari.

I went today, a glorious
morning -- Once more I
went thro' the main guard
along the long corridor. Now
with bells only on one side.
I went thro' the kitchen - &
thro' the heavy curtains - &
was in Florence & from a
fair --

I went, resolved that nothing
should mar the peace of this
last day -- and not one word

peeped from first to last
that could cast a shade.

- the disguised Balahoon,
we compared notes on the
men we had had to deal
with - on the nurses -

I walked with her to the
English Burying ground.
The grave yard of boys of
England's bravest troops.

- She went to the general
Hospital - then on to
Hyde Park -

It was the happiest day
I have spent at Scutari.
Mrs. Bracebridge was all
kindness & affection.

I felt it was my own life
again.

Dearest Parthe - I must see
you very soon after / please
God / I get home - I must
have a long long talk
with you - I have no
time to write -

You can imagine the
wangled feelings now
my Kulelee days are
remembered - my joy
in the thoughts of returning
my deep interest in this
place. It was such a

3 May 1858

where I will forward Mrs
 M. P. paper

before me

Truly yrs

Dr. Stanley -

by Charles Stokes.

May 3.

Copy of letter
 from Miss Wadley

Copy.

Dear Lady Cornwall

I believe I do possess
 one agreement, that of
 Mrs. M. P. who went out
 with me, & which I found
 she had by mistake taken
 away with her.

I am quite sure the
 others are either in Mr. S.
 Herbert's house or they were
 sent to Miss Dight's place

The War Office never had
 any thing to do with them

I certainly thought they were
 sent out to the East.

with regard to those signed Consulting those then with
by the Misses I consider it
who went out with me - cancelled.
I had better state that there The R.C. Sisters of Mercy
was a general feeling among have a letter from her
them, that the agreement stating that they were not
was cancelled by Miss R's under her jurisdiction after
refusal to admit us on our their arrival, or to that
arrival - effect -

I have no document to
produce confirming this
except a letter from her
asking me whether they still
felt bound by that agreement
to which I answered after

I will desire the passage
to be sent to you as it
explains what would otherwise
say there under given
evidence for breach of dis-
-ipline
We return to Liverpool
the end of this month

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sail which I hoped wd
have remained buried
in the past. - I am very
anxious you should
hear this in time.

I am so glad to think of you
amongst the faces & friends
of Limley.

Dearest Arthur I am
always yours affectionately

W. H. H. H.

6 pros. Crescent
May 15th

Dearest Arthur.

Each day since our
meeting I have been in
tendency to write & have
been hindered.

I have just one or two
more things to say.

1st I set up no opposition
plan of nursing at Ken
baker & I's. I simply
obeyed the directions
of the medical men un-
der whom we were
placed. I am not last

possible for their orders being different from those of the *Scutaria* Dr. 2^d. I was wrong in using the word "demand" for the stores either Dr. 2^d in writing or you in speaking under the circumstances. it was an imitating ex. perception. But I have asked many since, their opinions of the distribution of the stores & all concerned in saying that the public sent gifts to "Miss Nightingale *Scutaria*" as the nucleus from which they would be distributed without restrictions to the British Army.

3^d. I am not responsible for all that is now said of Dr. Many who have come home, have felt with me. & have not had the inducement for silence & caution. I have. hence I find a great deal