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119, FORDWYCH ROAD,  
WEST HAMPSTEAD,  
N.W.

My dear Sir

Thanks for your telegram  
telling of the release from all  
• last my pain and "darkness" of my  
dear brother Captain Bletman.

My brother, Mr Edward  
Bletman, has no doubt  
written to you about arrangements  
for the funeral, which is to  
be at Derry on Wednesday -

• Meanwhile if you can spare  
the time I should greatly like  
a little account of his last  
hours - Did he show any  
signs of returning reason, or  
say any words that might

Comfort us, who knew  
and loved him so  
clearly, when in health  
of mind -

He was so good and  
affectionate, and I feel  
quite sure that he now  
is in eternal happiness  
through Christ -

With many thanks  
for all your kindness  
and care of him

I last saw  
him if you  
remember on  
Sept. 1. 1865

Yours truly  
J. W. Adams

Powditch Lodge <sup>325</sup>  
Derby

<sup>W</sup>  
Saturday

Dear Dr. Bejamin Pierce

My brother Edward  
asks me to send

enclosed Inscription

for my poor brother  
Hugh's Breastplate  
on his Coffin -

I have seen our  
Undertaker here!

Mr. Orme, today &  
he hopes to be at

the Rehearsal tomorrow  
Sunday, about 4  
o'clock to see my  
brother's body &  
that the Coffin is  
a good one &  
& will you please  
give the Certificate  
of my brother's death  
(for the clergymen)  
to Mr. Orme?  
Tuesday is the

day I expect my  
brother's body here  
& Wednesday is the  
Funeral.

Yrs very truly  
Elijah. Bateman

Please thank W. Dooley  
for his letters. - I  
shd like to know whether  
my brother knew he was  
dying & if he mentioned  
any of us.