

After paying before ~~the~~ the Royal
 Institution. I was surprised
 to find it costing ~~the~~ ^{very} ~~much~~
 more upon its success
 among of ~~the~~ ^{the} was
 20th Miss Widdow. I thought
 it very kind. He gave
 me ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~same~~ but
 I have not time to en
 ter. Her father is
 a very ~~good~~ ^{good} ~~man~~
 & I am likely to go
 to Canada again
 nearly is on ~~his~~
 way out.
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 not in Sat. 18th
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am returned from dining with Arthur Kemond
 in P. where we met a very large & very agreeable
 party. I am rather sorry for your sake that
 the Collyer is going to be deparatated. Altho' I
 rejoice with Mr. Carnish. He seemed to
 earnestly to desire to visit England. I only
 wish some benevolent Church or Society
 wd. pay our way - we have spent a very
 large sum of money - much larger than
 papa had calculated. I believe he has to
 send for further supplies. I know not where
 it goes - going out so much takes considerable
 for Cab fares - general extravagance - not
 mine. I am spending very little personally
 because as I told you I have deferred purchasing
 clothing until I go to Scotland. Pearly to have
 living here & partly on other accounts which

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for Murray Bay. Take the oldest blankets but
enough of them. Leave the bulk of the preparations
to Mary & Eliza. I remember however Can be got there
so cheap. Each your head to remember everything.
I am not going to decide to stay all summer till I
find how I like Stevenson. I feel as if I had
been a long, long, very long time away. only I am
thin & worn out. I do is done paper. Jerry has
stead his work here pretty well. Now the weather
is warm the heat of the laboratory tries him more
but this month it does it. I hope paper will remain
to be his plans matured for the summer. Mr. Spence
has been in the house during the whole of our stay
& leaves tomorrow! Another week & it is still impossible
for me to write to Miss Linn. I have been packing
& am now dropping asleep pen in hand. Tonight
paper & I go to Mrs. Ruston's to meet some London stems
& listen to an address by Mr. Spence. who by the way has
not noticed your four parents. Paper went with S. Brod
Sunday afternoon to Mr. Gladstone's. I trust he will continue
to attend his bible class. The boys are mostly younger than
S. there are 50 of them. Last evening met a Mrs. Habard who
invited me to go tonight to a railway station to see 250
emigrants take tea & bid her goodbye before departing
for Canada. She knows something of the personal
history & character of all these people & thinks a third
of them are true Christians. They are likely to go on

I can explain by & by it is decided
 that I am to part Company with Papa
 & go alone tomorrow to Scotland. as he
 has still a quantity of business on hand
 & has been working at his usual alarming
 rate. I offered to go away if he wd take
 matters more easy. I assure you I don't like
 this plan, I only consented willingly when
 your letters arrived last eq. I he consented
 to delay his return to Canada until the end of
 Jan. whether he will visit in Scotland
 it is impossible for me to say. Allow me
 again to caution you against mentioning this
 to any one as I am sure he only gets laughed at
 for his exertions. My second reason for going
 is that Prof Hatch has written inviting Papa
 to speak at a "Colonial Club dinner" at Exford
 on the 11th & it wd be expensive to go to Scotland
 & return to Exford, so by remaining & doing his
 business here more at leisure he can then take
 Exford on his way down. Altho' we have
 received a very great deal of personal attention
 Papa has no prospect of other success. Every
 one minds his own interests & has no leisure

for other people's affairs. I have given myself
 thoughts much of man's agency in such matters
 it is so much more comforting to think of our
 distance being in the keeping of the Lord. - In
 the midst of all our busy life I have managed
 to finish the glass basket & I don't say you will be
 amused to know it is noted to be given to Lady
 Rose. As John & she have been kind in so many
 ways - we breakfasted there yesterday. My beautiful
 sealakin is going to Scotland. Lady Lyell got
 the "wild flowers of Canada". I am glad to infer that
 you were all well when you wrote. I hope
 the Mexican trouble has not made as much
 excitement in Montreal as it did before; I most
 earnestly hope that it is now over. We have
 been rather uneasy about its not maturing
 George Curys at me. In regard to William's
 being thin, spare no expense in the matter
 of a good beef steak for Mr breakfast or lunch
 or strong soup if he likes it - Will he take egg &
 milk? You had better not say too much in
 favor of housekeeping or I will perhaps have
 over the office as a permanent one. By the
 time this reaches you you will be planning

After refusing to take the Royal

to Toronto. I as far as possible wish to
keep together in families. My previous engage-
ment to the Proctor's prevents my going.

One more incident I must finish. Last
Saturday George & I started in the "underground
railway" to find Mrs Harvey. With a snake
walk & a moderate amount of inquiry we
found the house - a respectable gabled
semi-detached one. We were shown into a
large well-furnished drawing room. I should
say a big two-eyed, short, dark, rather high-shouldered
clever-looking girl came in. Much an easy apology
for her manner when we sat with me
shortly. I without hesitation we chatted about
every body & every thing until Mrs Bird appeared.
She is good looking & maternally frank & pleasant.
She was ^{shortly} followed by Mrs Harvey. An affectionate
hale, plain old lady of 84. She does not appear
either blind, deaf or feeble. (Comparatively) -
They were full of Mr. Kelly's lectures against intemperance.
had noticed an advertisement of papers
lecture the day before. I had wished to have
tickets. I could easily have supplied them but

Myrtle were unwilling. They very kindly
asked us to remain to lunch but I was
engaged to go to Lady Lyell's, I had to hurry
back to be in time. Alice, I think, is
the young lady's name - she told me that
her brother had a picture in the "Royal
Academy Exhibition". When there yesterday I
took trouble to find it - it is small &
insignificant but flattering for a young artist
to have one accepted at all. Mrs. Hussey's
children draw cleverly - I was there with us at
times & saw their productions.

We have had beautiful weather here
only one day of rain. It rains this afternoon
which reminds me how fine it has been.

Return my unfeigned love to the list you
sent. Mr. Stanley was at Lady Ross's yesterday - there
is a splendid full length portrait of her in the Exhibition.
Her husband has a magnificent estate - she is very fine
associating with the nobles of the land. I must get her
address for you. I met a fine youth last ev. in M. P. to
whom I was not object - a real grand fellow who
boldly said he never saw a one. Lady is party day
Mr. Kimball asked me to go. I see M. P. make the above
mark for which I praised him. Give your loving
I commend you to our Lord dear child Mamma.