

Anna

Put about Saroy.  
 Important, - Selim  
 Hunt & Bell in a  
 nutshell

Dearest Mother,

We have received your last letter from Cairo, as you were just on the wing for Palestine - how happily that way has opened and before you, so you proceeded so wisely & quickly that have proved as the Pilgrims way as you advanced I have no end of things to say this time so many that I fear I shall forget them.

Mrs. Meyer & her baby are doing splendidly, she can nurse the child, & is much better & more comfortable than most young mothers at 2 weeks after a crisis - Dear Mrs. W. M. Tenison has lost her baby, who had arrived 3 or 4 weeks too soon, but all seemed well & no anxiety even fell, when suddenly some alarming local symptoms appeared & the life went out the next day, I hope it will not affect her health, as she is extremely delicate, at the best of times.

Carry has been greatly tried lately, she has at last decided to part with Jane who is quite incapable of work, or even of being about - every day she is to go next week & Carry has engaged another girl, highly recommended to her by Dr. Ross who made a thorough examination of Jane's new sore throat worm.

one being nearly gone, & the other  
affected - so the poor thing is  
really going home to die, I fear.  
Carly is in greatest grief about  
it - all but I believe that if her  
new "help" is at all competent  
she will have needed rest, I  
feel too far her money expenses  
she has given out a perfect  
parture for June \$70. as last  
year beyond her wages - I sh  
is so difficult - to help in any  
way always longing to give, & not  
to receive.

Flarence & W. are both looking  
very well now - F looks quite  
a different person from when  
she came - she has not had a  
cold or any sickness all winter  
complains of headaches sometimes  
but that is a woe few women are  
except from -

I was at lunch at the  
Windsor this week - invited by  
Mrs Abbott, who is a very pleasant  
woman - but Miss Lunn says  
quite a treat - certainly the  
party she had got together was  
an odd one - Mrs Thomas, Mrs  
Tyley (young Mrs) Mrs Wand,  
an American Mrs Lyman - the  
pretty young Miss - of an old  
man connected with the Bridge  
company -

The Survey affairs are being  
overhauled by a Government com-  
mittee - I fear it - is going to be  
a horrid business - Mr Helig  
openly - states that Bell's cannot

be relied on for truthful information  
& speaks of Fletcher in a very dis-  
paraging manner - you may  
imagine what Bell will say if  
he is called up - George will have  
his cross-questioning & I think  
Kunt - is to go - B is in mortal  
terror lest he is also called upon  
the astensible matter in hand is  
to see what has been done as to  
mines & what further can be  
done in that direction but it  
does not seem likely to stop there  
Mr. Venhall has also been  
up to Ottawa summoned to give  
evidence as to agricultural statistics  
& matters relating thereto, Gibbs  
Jenny suggested him but it is  
just as well to have our Collyer  
men appear as authorities to  
face the public - - - Dr. Johnson  
is about to make himself wife  
& at least 3 of his daughters  
members of the Brit. Ass. & people  
generally seem to be steering in  
that direction - I must rely  
with the whole affair was in  
the Dead Sea - or at least a year  
further on - for it seems to in-  
terfere with so many things  
Eleanor Keelpath for one quite  
agrees with me - as she hopes to  
be married in May, I go off to  
England - Mrs. Deveston coming  
out to look after Mrs. R. but  
Eleanor is to convene to be back  
to run the house in August  
for the visitors of the B. A. who  
naturally is not a prospect - she

admires - I wish she ~~could~~ <sup>may</sup> visit me to the wedding I don't feel inclined to get a new dress I certainly have none suitable.

Did I ever tell you that Lady Jane made a great effort to continue the Literary Club. I was obliged to renounce several snells in consequence, every one declining to have it - in your absence & skirting the idea that to "keep it up for you" was not all necessary, or even desirable.

So were at Borg's last night one of his students' parties, he has had a cut-tee each Saturday with several ladies 16 at table & more people after - last night was the first time I have been able to go & it was very pleasant. I can hear the gaming men must have enjoyed it.

By the way the man you like as a carpet-layer Nurse has vanished from the new Directory, I will try & find if he still can be heard of at his house, said to be in Cadiz. That far I feel that the time is come to send you notice of what you see about in London of course if I can't find him I will have to fall back upon Baylis - I will pay him for the measuring so as not to oblige you to employ him later unless you choose to do so. I saw Miss Wells lately who is still taking in work.

not going out - I sh<sup>d</sup> not say  
she was doing very well from  
her own account - but she seems  
to intend to continue for the pres-  
ent in any case - she is full of  
gratitude to you, in any case  
& thinks you did her so much  
good, she goes to church & Bible  
class - I do not despair any  
more - I have lent her some  
books - She says if you want  
her in summer I let her know  
in time she will make a point  
of going whenever I for whatever  
you I may wish her - to do -  
I fancy she wd prefer staying in  
the house while working for you  
I did not exactly understand  
for what you wanted her  
but if you will explain later  
I will try & arrange with her  
before we go to Nites, if we do go.

People continue to inquire  
for you on all hands, & bring  
innumerable messages after you  
all, of blessing & congratulation  
I really forget - the people - Corry  
& only John & ever so many others  
this week -

Kate Gall is back &  
I must go to see her Wednesday  
next - I hear that she is engaged  
to Jimmy Greenshields? But Eva  
will know better than people  
here if the "on dit" is true - if  
all that was reported of him last  
year was true, I sh<sup>d</sup> be sorry to  
think so - We are still in the

depths of a very severe winter  
this morning a raging snow  
storm & volivettis landing all  
over the city, perfect - mandating  
of snow in all directions -  
believe the man who contracted  
to clear the snow about the  
Parliament buildings threw up  
his contract as quite useless about  
a month ago - During the last  
week however we have been  
favoured with several sunny  
days - wh. makes the cold quite  
agreeable -

I paid Adelaide Campbell  
a long visit - on Saturday wh.  
was a very stormy day - I thought  
she wd be in - she looks very well  
& was interested in hearing all  
news of you - & your wanderings

Mrs Cassels & her daughters  
are going to England, or rather to  
Scotland on the 1<sup>st</sup> of May, having  
let their house furnished, I  
suppose you heard that she broke  
her arm this winter, just below  
the shoulder - it has healed as  
well as c<sup>d</sup> be but of course was  
a tedious process -

Uninterrupted - with  
love to all Amers March 8<sup>th</sup>