

July 26th 1886

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Dearest - Mother,

We have all been much stirred up about you by the alarming cables in the news-papers - I fancy the Ottawa ones made a worse story out of yr - accident - than ^{even} the Montreal ones - for George telegraphed to me a most alarming message wh. was the first - word I had of it - later the same Saturday I had a message fr. Will - wh. sounded a little less terrible - I felt our ought to make a broad allowance for the desire of the news papers to make a story out of what - had happened to such well known persons - but - (such is the evil consequence of virtue) my chief alarm was caused by

no cable from papa, for I
thought he wd be so sure to
know that a story of the
sort wd be flashed across
the wires to the press - He so
prompt to reassure us - So
through Saturday & Sunday
I did feel just - waiting in
a nervous tension for "what
next" - However Monday
we got - Mr Craun's cable &
later papa's so we are no
longer anxious as to wounds
but - I do sincerely hope you
will not suffer from the
survival shock - or shaking up
wh - often from longer guests
than cuts or breeches -

People ^{rather} in Montreal & Ottawa
got - cables from members of
their families who were on the
train assuring them of their
safety - Frankie must have
had quite a field day, I am
somewhat curious to know
if he was conspicuously cool
on the occasion, & if papa who
has so long looked for directors
in travelling met the real thing

with the calmness of the man, who after looking
40 yrs - smiles his face as others frown at me at
last - I seem to be long to hear all yesterday
of the accident - ...

As to us, we go on as usual as usual
Mrs Keelbath is not at all well with 2 over
house considers it - repeat with confidence
I confess - I can't say I am all over
conflict of 2 ideas - stairs, so they are well
protected - this is refusing me at from her
business - I thinking it's confidence

As to everything else only stairs for 5 days
having a person who believes home matters
concern - this is his advice - that he seems
quite to enjoy himself - I certainly looked
much better for the little change to see as
I quite as well - George will come down

Sometimes in Reginald he does not seem to
think he will get money for his feet
mark now -

Wardens a last note

with all love

Anna

Little Annet

July 28th