

hope that I may be some-  
what near my date as  
it will be so much  
convenient for all.  
I am sorry that I cannot  
go to town so as to get  
some things for you.  
I went once with Mother  
& M.A. - invited on  
Sunday as in her  
carriage which was making  
too much fuss for a small  
affair! That day we  
The Maple 199th  
got several things  
M's list - but not those  
in the way of a jacket  
to bare - The sales 7th  
are all over now - 96  
unfortunately -  
with love from  
Eva

Thank you very much  
for your letter, also please thank  
Bernard for his with the enclosed  
money order - I always feel sorry  
that he should have this trouble  
for me, for I know how busy he is -

At present we are alone again for  
this morning Papa & Mother went off  
to the Keswick meetings - It had been  
talked of for some time & Mother  
seemed anxious to go & we  
arranged for her to go with three  
ladies from this neighbourhood - all  
very pleasant people. Then Papa  
decided to go too & go on to Stirling  
where there is a geological & some fossils

Put with 25th's letter  
of interest. As the last Mrs. Brown  
has also joined the party, so we trust  
that they will all look after each other  
& enjoy themselves. Mr. King & Miss  
Lynn are to meet them at Kewick &  
doubtless they will find other friends.  
They intend to remain until Friday  
or Saturday. I am glad that  
they have gone for I think that they  
will enjoy it & it ought not to be too  
much for them. Indeed I do not  
find either P. or M. so weak  
physically as I had expected. They  
can both still do a considerable  
amount, but P. so constantly  
talks of "being old" "being fit for nothing"  
& such terms, that he influences  
Mother to think that he is less fit  
for things than he is, at Holyhead  
quite voluntarily he walked long  
distances without ill effects & here  
too he goes over to town & returns not  
over tired. Mother has less strength

but she wears herself out much more by her desire not to give trouble, & by her anxious desire to look after Papa, than by what she herself does. I don't know how one can really help her for it seems to me that she has no faith or confidence in anyone. She cannot trust Papa, or me, or Hope - & even in a simple thing like crossing a road, she won't trust herself or believe that you are watching for any carriage or bicycle. Her mind is really alert all the time, imagining some trouble, instead of resting in the belief that we are taking the responsibility.

Wednesday - This morning I heard from Papa & they have arrived safely at Newark & find the hotel comfortable - I trust that they will take the advice of those who have been there before & not attempt to go to too many meetings, but take the afternoons for driving & seeing the

beautiful scenery - They intended to go to see the Armstrongs as Grasmere is quite near - Mr. Black (who married a Coats) also lives near & has a lovely place I am told.

But my chief piece of news is that Papa has definitely decided to remain for the B. A. meetings - He was persuaded by some of the professors of the University in Lpool & by Lord Derby (who is Mayor of Lpool now & who will be entertaining the members &c.) It is to my mind much the wisest plan, for I felt sure that he wd regret it afterwards if he sailed in August - The Lake Superior sails on Sept. 26<sup>th</sup> & they will go in it then. The B. A. being from Sept 16<sup>th</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup> - The plans now are for them to be with us until my illness (which I count to take place about the 15<sup>th</sup> Aug.) then go to Mr<sup>s</sup> Atkins for a week, then for a week to Mr<sup>s</sup> Brown - The plans are not definite for the early days of Sept. Papa wants to go again to London if he can see some particular people there & he also wants to go to a place in Wales to see some fossils there. I only