

At home just before  
weddy. presents  
arriving - 1876

Dear Bernard,

In this  
state of hurry & confusion  
I must - do things as they turn  
up, don't think I am impa-  
tient - I always worrying about  
things - I send you Mr. Merrell's  
bill wh. his young man sug-  
gested I sh<sup>d</sup> pay him this  
morning. For the best of  
reasons I declined doing so.  
The other miserable scrap is  
St. Marie's bill for the years  
wh. mamma procured  
lovely. They are both the  
same, & I have tied them  
up ready for you to send, the

other is easily opened for  
inspection, & mamma says  
they ought to be sent at  
once, of course Miss's box  
is in no hurry -

Mamma has written  
to Dr. Kell - & of course you  
will come to dinner on  
the Friday too - A lot  
more presents have come  
oh! oh!! th!!! - I send  
you also an invitation  
to the wedding in case  
you wd not like to  
come without -

I don't suppose you  
knew before how badly  
I c<sup>d</sup> write but mamma  
took my pen & desk at  
the 3<sup>d</sup> line of this, & I am

referred to a quilt & writing in a  
window seat - Mrs H. is sitting in  
her own window - & I must walk  
away - I will be in  
Friday nights - I hope you are  
not as distressed as I am with my  
dearest - Write for me soon