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last sketches are considered
good & that you really think
I have improved - My
dear Mother wrote me that
it was one of the proudest
moments of her life when
she heard you say that
you had some of my
work framed & hung
up on your walls - Truly
this is a great comfort to
me also, & I only trust I
may yet be able to do
something of which you
may justly be proud -
It is my greatest ambition
to let you feel that all your
goodness has not been wasted.

London, June 22, 1880

9 Piccadilly Gardens.

My dearest Mrs Hearst -
A letter
received from my dear
Mother yesterday, gave
me an account of your
long visit to her & she
was so very happy when
she wrote - It seemed to cheer
her up so much to see
you - I can imagine
your long talk together
over all that has transpired
within the past year.

Went to having you near
me that is the most
comforting thing to feel
you near my poor
Mother - She has been very
ill I know - My sister
Lulu was so happy because
of the prospect of a music
scholar through your
great kindness - There never
was anyone so good in
this world I really believe -
You think of everybody in
trouble.

Mamma was so pleased
with Mrs Humphrey Moore -
How much you must enjoy
her delightful society -

I was so fascinated with her
charming manners the
evening I met her in
New York.

I can imagine you in
I. F. receiving visitors
constantly - Many with
pleasure, but some who
are not particularly con-
genial to you - How does
the old place look after
Europe? - I would give a
great deal to be able to
be there for a little time, con-
tinuing as it does, so
many very dear to me.
I cannot tell you how gratified
& surprised I am that my

as the letters of introduction.
The used two for Tompkins, but
the one for a lady in Malaga
we could not make use of
being there only a few hours.
You ask me in one of your
letters if the Matthews are both
married - They are & I have seen
some of the family in the street
once or twice, but that is all I
have seen of them since you left.
I do hope you will be in Europe
the beginning of next year - It
would be such a comfort to have
you near me. Alfred is looking
& feeling splendidly - people think
contritiously agrees with him - I
feel very proud & naturally take
all the credit to myself.

Good bye my dearest friend - Give
my love to Mrs. Hearst. I will when you
write him - I hope you have received
my letters, several must have reached
New York after you left - With warmest love,
always your most devoted & grateful cousin

5) My dear husband is
such a help to me, &
always gives me so much
encouragement - If there
are not too many chil-
dren in the way, there
is no reason why I
should not work steadily.
I don't want a large
family - do you think
me too young to say so? -
If Alfred were very well
off I should not care,
but as it is, it would
be a great struggle to
provide for them well.
Two or three are the height of
our ambition - no more -

I feel tolerably well, though not very bright; still I have reason to be thankful, for many are so much worse under the circumstances.

I miss Alfred so much - he is very good about arranging up to see me, but of course it is difficult to obtain leave too often. I shall go down to Aldershot for a few days before the training is over, but the weather has been so bad there is very little inducement.

Mamma speaks of your having sent two pictures.

to me, was she mistaken? - for only one came - I prize it so much.

I hope my photographs will soon be ready to send home.

I wore my wedding dress to a party the other evening turned her the neck to make it open & shortened the sleeves - it looked very pretty - Alfred's sisters give a reception this evening & I shall wear it again - My light silk I cannot wear now, being in slight mourning.

Will you thank Mrs Moore for her kindness in sending

them in all my whole
life before -

I certainly have seen
a great deal of the
world lately, & feel that
it has done me good.

Alfred's militia training
is over, and I am so
thankful to have my
dear husband with
me again; I did miss
him so much.

He is looking splendidly
has such a brown tone to
his skin, which is much
becoming to him - I say
I shall make him sit
out in the sun every day

London, 9 Vicarage Gardens,
July 5, 1880 -

My dearest Mrs Hewitt -

I am
so glad to hear all
about you from my dear
Mother & Father, for it as-
sures me that you
are well and enjoying
the society of your friends.
In Mamma's last letter
she tells me you were
soon to start for Torquay
so perhaps you are now
enjoying that lovely

scenery & I trust are feel-
ing strong & able to
endure the fatigue
I can imagine how
very busy you must be
and how difficult it is
to find a moment in
which to write -

Papa told me that Mr
Hearst had gone away
again to attend to some
affairs - How anxious he
must be to see his
big boy - I suppose
it will be to spend his
summer vacations

with you in S. F.
I hear Mr Hearst was
thinking of buying a
home in V. F. but this
may not prevent your
coming to Europe in
the course of the year -
I do so want to see you!
It does seem years since
you left - so much has
happened within the
short space of a few
months, that I really
feel as if it must be
years -
How many strange places
& people I have seen; more

But I came home so ~~perfectly~~
tired out, there was not
much pleasure -

We leave here in about ten
days & have decided to go
to Dinant on the Meuse in
Belgium - it is a pretty little
town & we will remain
there two months & then go
to Paris for the winter.

I hope to do some sketching
if I feel well enough -

Alfred sends love & is
going to write you in
a few days - He is so
very good to me - I am a
lucky girl to have such a
husband - Dora sends her
love & says she hopes you can
soon come to England - all the
girls have been so kind to me -
With warmest love, ever your most
devoted & grateful Emma -

b) For some time so as to
retain this kind of com-
pulsion -

I spent four delightful
days at Aldershot with
Alfred's sister Dora - She
enjoyed seeing the regi-
ments drill so much.

Alfred looked very handsome
in uniform, in Hussar.

We visited his nice
tent which was one
of the best, for as Major
he is entitled to superior
advantages, and had
two servants to wait on
him - Aldershot is a

lovely country and we
took several pleasant
drives - We came up
to London part of the
way in a real old-fashioned
stage coach, with four
horses, the guard sitting
behind & blowing the
horn as we approached
each town - How
delightful getting down
at a real old English
inn for lunch, & then
starting off again -
I never enjoyed anything
more.

All Alfred's friends have

been exceedingly kind
& attentive to me, & we
receive more invitations
than we can ~~accept~~^{accept}
I am feeling always
so tired & miserable
now, that the least ex-
ertion is an effort and
I shall be glad to leave
London on that account.
Last evening we dined
at the Pleasants club at
Richmond with some
friends - the grounds &
house are beautiful, it
was a very pretty sight
to see all the ladies
well dressed -

here everything is very rough, but I think we shall be comfortable and will work all day in the neighborhood.

We will remain here only a short time & then go back to Essomes to work.

It seems very pleasant to be in our own little apartment after such long wanderings and I feel quite anxious to get settled quietly in a nice apartment and begin life regularly.

It is quite warm here, though not unpleasantly so, and Paris is quiet for so many people are away

Paris, 5 Rue de Boulogne
July 21, 1884

My dearest Mrs Hearst.

Here we are once more in Paris though only for a day or two as we will spend the next two months at a small place in France about three hours journey from here.

We have had quite a long journey since I wrote you last, and

left London on the 15th
via Antwerp. There we
remained a day to see
the beautiful pictures by
Rubens & then went to
Brussels for a few hours.
We arrived at Dinant on
the river Meuse, intending
to remain there for the
summer as Alfredo's sisters
& Aunt are going there.
But the country was not
at all what we wanted
for sketching, being exceed-
ingly mountainous and
really nothing to be seen
at Dinant but the river
& two steep hills, one on each

side. So we soon left &
found our way slowly
towards Paris stopping
frequently at the stations
where we thought the scenery
was good - but you cannot
imagine how difficult
it was to find accommo-
dations and it was not
till we reached Essomes, on
the Marne, that we found
anything which would do at
all. Of course we want
to be right in the country
where we can have subjects
close at hand, and for
this purpose we are to
stop at a little country town

I do so want to receive
a letter from you; it
is such a long time
since I had any -
Can you not send me
only a postal with a
few words? - that would be
something
But better though
it will get enchanted
easily - still it
might be so much
worse -
Alfred sends love, and
with a large share
of sympathy, believe me
ever your most devoted
& grateful Cousin -

5) I enjoyed our visit
in London a great
deal, though not feeling
as bright as I should
have liked - What a
magnificent city it is!
Truly it is a place for
rich people; there are
so many nice ways of
spending money -
Only the climate makes it
disagreeable - I suppose
though, if one expected
to live there, they could
become reconciled
Alfred hopes to be one day
settled in London, so I

must not say too
much against it -

We went to some very
elegant dinners and
all Alfred's friends were
very polite to me - and
his relatives so kind.

I do hope by next year
you can come to Europe.

I know how busy you
must be with so many
friends about you -

I know you will see
my dear Mother as often
as you can for it is a
great pleasure to her - she
wrote me a detailed account

of your long visit to
her after your arrival in
I. I.

Is Will with you now?
How his father must
enjoy seeing his big boy
if he is at home -

Is Mr. Hearst still away
or has he returned to
I. I.?

There is now no doubt
about my prospects in
a certain direction, and
as this is the case, Alfred
has a little request to
make of you - he will
write himself -

Perhaps it is quite as
well to have this change
in one's life at once -
If one waited too long
it might be more
difficult to put up
with the little arrange-
ments which a baby
always brings into a
household -

As it is ~~we~~ we go to house-
keeping with the idea
of one's coming and
will therefore be prepared
for it -

We have settled in the
little village of Essomes

Essomes
Chateau Thierry
France
Aug 1, 1880 -

My dearest Mrs Hearst -
My last
letter was written from
Paris where we spent
a few days in looking
for apartments and
finally found one
very satisfactory -
In Alfred's letter to you
he speaks of it -
My dearest friend and
I tell you how warmly

I second my dear
husband's wish that
you will be god-Mother
to our expected baby?
It will be such a
pleasure & gratification
to us both - If it is a
girl, your name is to
be perpetuated in our
family; if a boy, Hearsch
will be part of his name.

I received a long letter
from my dear Mother
two days ago, and she
tells me of your nice
visit to her & that when
you heard what was con-
cerning you said you

wished to give the trousseau
for our baby - I cannot
tell you how much we
both appreciate this
kindness, but you know
without any words of
mine.

Does it not seem
strange to you to
think of your Mother
having a baby; the
little girl you took
with you to Europe not
two years ago -
I cannot realize it
at all yet & I don't
suppose I shall till
it has really come -

How much has he grown
since I saw him last?
& has his pimple de-
veloped? -

I am feeling very much
better since we have
been in the country -
in fact, am quite myself
again -

I know how difficult it
is to write, but even if
you do not find time
I hear of you through my
dear Mother & know you
are well & love me -

Alfred is so good to me -
he is a jewel of a husband -
he sends love - & with a double
portion from myself, I am as
ever your most devoted & grateful

My dear Mother seemed better
when she last wrote

Amour -

⁵ and are really very
comfortable - We have
our meals by ourselves
being the only boarders
at the table now & the
landlady is very kind
& obliging -

The country is very
pretty indeed there are
lovely subjects for
sketching -

We shall probably re-
main here till the last
of September & then to
go Paris to begin moving -
I trust you are feeling
better and able to enjoy
the society of your friends

I know how they must
be enjoying their visit
to you - "Is Mrs Morris
health better." Give her
my kindest regards -
Grandma wrote that
you had been to call
on my Aunt with
Mrs Moore.

I suppose the windy
weather in N. F. is at
its height - I remember
how you used to think
of it with a sigh last
year, & picture to your-
self coming home
from a drive all
covered with dust -
I must say I should

not mind seeing
a little of dear old
Cal. dust myself -
But that the dust
itself is particularly
to be desired or loved
but only that it covers
and soils some ^{people} very
dear ~~people~~ to me -
How strange that I should
only have received one
of your photographs -
Fortunately the painted
one. I wonder where I
could make my wish
about the other? would
it be at the post office
in England or America?
Is Will with you now?

he would consider it less
for me to have done if
it had not been so for-
tunate in getting a good
husband at the same
time I pursued art. &
I think Mr Hearst was
right - It may be more
difficult to study after
I have a house & perhaps
a baby to look after, but
still it can be done & I
mean to try & do it -

My dear husband has
taken such a nice apart-
ment where I shall have
a good room to use as

Casernes
Chateau Thierry
France.
Aug. 15, 1880.

My dearest Mrs Hearst.

I have
been made very happy
today by the arrival
of your most welcome
letter of July 24, it
is such a pleasure to
hear from you again
and although I fully
understood how much
you were occupied, it did
not make me any more

recommended to do without
your dear letters - I do
trust you can rest more
now that most of your
visits are paid, truly
it was a great under-
taking. I do hope your
health will be better and
that you will be able
to come to Europe before
very long & enjoy yourself
Tell Will I am quite
pleased to hear he has
two little whiskers, but
tell him not to show
too soon, make them
stiff - What a jolly
boy he is! - how glad you

must be to have him
with you! - I hope he
will get quite strong
before going back to
school, for it must be
hard work - I am sure
Will will come out well
if his health enables him
to go through with his
course of study -
I was indeed gratified
to hear from dear Pramma's
letters that Mr. Hearst was
pleased with my work -
it was a great deal for
him to say, but I know
he always was so much
in favor of matrimony, that

home in the fall, & it would
be a great satisfaction if
I could see you, but I could dis-
pose of any of my work, no
matter for how little -
You speak of real estate being
much depressed - Alfred wants
to know if there is any ^{good} way
of investing a little money
in mortgages or real estate, as
interest is so much better in
America than here -
I don't want you to tax
yourself by writing to me &
don't try to write very long
letters for I know how difficult
it is. Give best love to Nell -
I hope to see you before
very long - Alfred sends his
love, & with a double share
from myself, believe me as ever
your most devoted & grateful
friend

5) a studio and I feel
that under these cir-
cumstances I must
be a very bad manager
indeed not to be able
to do something -
We are very comfortably
settled in this quiet
little village and enjoy
it very much - I find
it too fatiguing to sketch
out of doors all day, so
I devote the time before
an 11.30 breakfast to good
solid reading, fiction & French
etc - & go out afterwards

with Alfred for a long
afternoon sketching, so
in this way I manage
to accomplish something
without exhausting myself,
which I know is bad -

You are too kind to have
sent me the money to pay
the express on your photographs.
I was so glad to have it
that the expressage was a
very small affair in com-
parison to the pleasure -
I think I wrote you that ^{only}
the parried one had come.
\$5.00 is ^{more than} ample, for the
express was about fifteen
shillings -

I hope you will like
my photographs in my
wedding dress. Alfred's
photographs in his uniform
have come, and we will
send one for you - with
those for Mamma -

I feel that my poor
Mother is indeed frail
and am very anxious
about her, but as you
say she never will take
any care of herself, & I know
how difficult it is to do
so under existing cir-
cumstances - but things
may improve - I shall
try to do something to send

her father's disease - Mr. L.
asked many questions about
you -

We are working very hard
& I hope to get some satisfac-
tory result from our sketching
trip down here - Alfred is
improving a great deal -
He sometimes gets discouraged
& feels like giving it up - but
I do all I can to make
him feel encouraged, for
it is such a great pleasure
having the same pursuits
and there is nothing else
he could do which would
draw us so much together

Escomres
Chateau Thierry
Sept. 2, 1880 -

My dearest Mrs Hearst -

It is
more than a week since
I wrote you last and I
must give you a little
account of the visit we
paid to Paris - Aug. 28th
returning here the 30th -

Alfred wanted to see
some good pictures to get
some ideas for our work
so we went to Paris for
two days & enjoyed it a

great deal. He spent part
of each day at the Louvre
& Luxembourg studying
those works which would
help us in our sketching.
Paris was quite empty, but
much pleasanter on that
account. I always feel as
if there were too many
people there - every place
is so crowded.

We called on Mme. Lenjelli
as I had not seen her
since my marriage -

She was not at home,
but came this next day
to see me. The Cooks

very well - says she has
a nice apartment - No
18 rue de Boursault - and
is engaged in something
connected with a pattern
establishment. I suppose
it was necessary for her
to do something.

Jeanne is well with the
exception of suffering with
a kind of rheumatism in
her hands & arms. She had
it before the fever for
some time - Mme. Lenjelli
attributes it to that, but I
should be inclined to fear
the poor child had inherited

have the real thing -
No doubt Mrs Hearst is
at home by this time -
Can you not get him to
Europe? - I know it would
be rather difficult with
all his large schemes still
ⁱⁿ completed - However, stranger
things have happened -

Give love to Nell, tell him
to practise well - Does he still
like to sing his funny songs
or has a more classical taste
appeared? -

Alfred sends love - with the
hope of soon hearing from you
& am as ever your most devoted
affectionate
cousin -

I am sorry to hear they do not like my photographs
at home -

5)
or be so congenial to his
tastes - I shall enjoy my
dear little studio so much -
He will have a charming
little apartment - so sunny
& well situated - I feel
very anxious to get settled

What a new experience
it will be for me - I
do hope you can come to
Europe before very long -

In my last letter from
home they speak of your
not being very well - I fear
it is the same trouble
for which you stand in need
of treatment -

I hear that Lulu is to give
Bill music lessons - How
funny it does seem to
think of her teaching a
little pupil like Bill -
You have made my
sister feel so happy &
encouraged by helping her
in this way & I do appreciate
it so much -

My sister Clara seems to
be quite a jolly lady
& speaks of going out a
good deal - she is very fond
of society -

I trust if either of the girls

marry they will be happy -
My health is very good
indeed - I am able to work
constantly now and take
regular exercise as I
know that is very im-
portant -

Alfred is so good & attentive
more loving - like if possible
than ever - in fact I am
surprised to find how
little difference marriage
has made in the way
we feel - it all seems quite
as romantic now as before -
I suppose this is because we

and I am so afraid
he will catch cold with
such a sudden change
in temperature -

I was very glad to receive
Mrs Hearst's splendid

photograph a few days
ago & thank you so much
for it - I think the like-
ness a very good one -
Perhaps by this time
you are alone again, as
I think you told me
your friends would
leave Cal. some time
in September -

Essex

Sept. 16, 1880 -

My dearest Mrs Hearst -

Here
we are still, but only
for a few days longer
as the weather is be-
ginning to be very
unsettled - Severe wind
& rain storms & very
cold in temperature -
We have not been able
to work out of doors
for several days, and

of course as this is
our principal object
in remaining here
I think we shall
go to Paris on the 24th
or 25th or begin moving
as soon as possible.

It feels so like Autumn;
the swallows are beginning
to collect in great num-
bers & seem to have
selected the country hall
as the fittest place to
hold their meetings
previous to a general

departure for warmer
climes - It is so curious
to watch them assemble
by hundreds & after an
hour or two's consultation,
fly off -

I have been working
in the house at
"Nature's Note" -
Alfred finds a few
animals to do, but
the stables here are
such miserable little
affairs, he cannot work
very well under cover

would not have come to
me. I hope my dear
Mother is feeling stronger
she seems to be a little
more cheerful I think.

I hope Poor Heart is quite
well again - give him
my kindest regards -

Alfred sends his love -
Address us at 6 Boulevard
de Courcelles - Paris -

and now with best
love to Will & yourself
believe me my dearest
friend, always yours

most devoted & grateful
Cousin -

Is Will to remain
in P. F. during the
Winter or will he
enter school again
before that time? -

I hope your own health
is better - try not to
exert yourself too much
or give out too much
valuable strength when
it may not always
be appreciated - Yours is
too precious to waste -
Do you find San Francisco

improves at all by
familiar intercourse
or is it still a trial
to you? - Of course it
must be a great
pleasure to see so
many good friends
again & I know how
happy they are to keep
you among them for
a time -

Is your friend Miss
De Grender that was
happily married? -

What news do you hear
of Miss Lilly Barrett? -
Are her literary efforts
crowned with any
success? How very
difficult it is for
poor women alone to
get on in the world
even the most talented
among them! -

What a fortunate girl
I am to have so
bright a future before
me! - But for you this

to my dear Mother, so
I will not repeat here.
I trust you are feeling
better - in Mamma's
last letter she speaks
of your going into
your house - this is all
she said so I don't
know if you have
bought a home or if
it is merely a rented
house - I have reason
to believe that some
of my letters ^{from home} have been
lost - I trust yours

Paris, Oct. 7, 1880.

6 Boulevard de Courcelles.

(In complete)

My dearest Mrs Hearst.

I have
been rather pensive lately
in my letter writing, and
find it is two weeks
since my last to
you was written.

You can understand
however, how much I
have had to occupy
my time lately; what
with morning, getting

settled in our new
home and the novel
position of housekeeper
I have indeed been
busy - Nearly everything
is accomplished now,
and our little apart-
ment is ~~very~~ pretty
& home-like. I feel very
proud to be the mistress
of such an establish-
ment and it seems
~~so~~ ^{so} queer to have a
little French boy calling
me "Madame" -

in fact it was quite
absurd at first and
I felt rather out of
place, but Alfred said;
"screw up your ~~eyes~~
& have confidence and
all will come right -"
So for things have gone
smoothly - Alfred
thinks I will make
a good housekeeper -
But time will show -
No doubt you will hear
my letter giving a
description of our home

Mrs. Eliza
comes home to breakfast -
I miss him so much &
have to keep very busy to
prevent myself from getting
lonesome.

My little studio is so pleasant
& I shall spend most of
my time there.

I suppose Will is studying
at home - is he still growing? -

My dear Mother seems more
cheerful now - she talks so much
of you in her letters - I am so
glad Papa has something to do,

small as it is - Alfred sends
love & sincere thanks - I do hope
to hear from you soon - With kindest
regards to Mr. Hearst, I am as

ever your most devoted & grateful
daughter -

6 Boulevard de Connautes
Paris, Oct. 23, 1880 -

My dearest Mrs. Hearst -

I have
just received Mamma's
letter enclosing your check
to me for \$100 - How very
kind it is of you to send
it to me - We both appreciate
your thoughtful attention so
much - It comes most a propos
just at this time, when we
have been obliged to get so
much for our new home -
I trust if our baby is a girl
she will be a very good sweet
baby & worthy of her dear god-mother.

It does seem hard for
me to realize that in
three short months such
a great change will come
to our quiet little home -

A baby always makes such
a difference, especially the
first one -

Just as soon as dear ~~Mamma's~~
little box containing the patterns
arrives, I shall see about

hurry my things commenced

I hear you have such a
beautiful home - how I should
like to be able to see all
your pretty things arranged
there! -

Do try & take care of yourself
as far as possible - but I
know how utterly impossible
it is for you to rest with
so many constantly about
you - I fear you are not as
strong as you should be -
But your energy always
supplies any deficiencies
in physical strength & you
generally manage to do more
than most well women -
The are now quite settled
& have both commenced
regular work - Alfred is
away from me all day, except
you are here at noon when he

The are both hard ^{Mrs. Elias} at work -
I have finished one still
life piece & a study of
birds both of which will
be sent with the others -
It is so delightful having
my little studio at home
for I can attend to all
household duties & yet
work at least six hours
a day -
I do hope your health is
better -

Alfred joins me in love &
with kindest regards to Mrs
Hearst, believe me as ever
your most devoted & grateful
Cousin -

Paris, Oct. 31, 1880 -

My dearest Mrs Hearst -
I wrote
you last week thanking
you for your kindness in
sending the check for the
Baby Rousseau - and expected
the little samples that
dear Mamma was to send.
I received a letter from her
yesterday, however, saying
she found it would be
impossible to send the
things by post unless she
left the parcel open & was
afraid to do this -

She seemed so disappointed
not to be able to send
the things for me to have
others made by & I am
very sorry too - However, I
will look about & see
what styles they have here -
Babies in France are
usually all rolled up
in flannel like little
mummies & are simply
Indians - You know how
much prettier English &
American babies are -
with their long white dresses -
Isn't it funny to hear nothing
but "baby" in my letters now? -

Scarcely more than a year
ago Art was the all about-
ing object - Well I suppose
it is one's duty to help to
people the world -
I hear of your big boy from
Mamma & of the two
last absorbing topics dig-
dancing & dogs, of which
little animal he has
mine - Stamps & coins have
had their day & so on till
before many years perhaps
a nice wife will take
the place of all these things -

recommended to me - I
feared Mad^{lle} Binard
would be too dear for me.
Of course it will not be
very long before I can interrupt
for a time, but two months
help me, I work hard at the
exercises - it is such an ad-
vantage to speak French well.

The weather is quite pretty
though not yet extremely cold.
I am not ordering too many
things yet till I see what that
precious box contains which you
& my dear Mother are arranging.
I wait for it with impatience.

Alfred is well & sends love -

He is going to drive tomorrow at
Mme. Leubke's - she asked very kindly
after you the other day - You remember
you called the day ^{or two} before your departure
& was my dearest friend with much love
& am as ever your most devoted & grateful
Emile

Paris, Nov 23, 1880

My dearest Mrs Hearsh
I have
been trying to write you
for several days past &
find the time slipping
by without my having
done so - This is thanksgiving
day & a fit opportunity for
me to tell you once again
how grateful I am to you
for all - As I look about
me at my beautiful little
home & all the happiness
think of

I have here, I feel I cannot
feel sufficiently thankful
to the dear generous heart
through whose goodness I
came to find all this.

Your last token of affection
in the form of a baby
trussian is so much

appreciated by us both, and
I only wish you could
be here to see it put into
use - how soon it will
be so! perhaps a little less
than two months from today
there will be a little stranger
in our home - I know how
much you will think of me

at that time - I trust your
own health is better now &
that you are not overdoing
your strength. I hear of you
constantly from my home
letters - It must be a
great comfort to you to have
Will with you this winter

I hope he is working hard
& making good progress
in his studies.

We are both very busy - I
get up quite early and
do as much ~~housework~~
as the short days will allow.

I have also commenced
French lessons with a very
nice little teacher Mrs. Murray

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meeting them at I trust no
very distant time.

My dear husband is as devoted
to me as possible and looks
forward with pleasure to the
arrival of the little stranger -
I hope it will be a success
& prove a nice baby -

My dearest friend I need not tell
you how often I think of you &
of your goodness to me & mine -
Poor friend Lenzelle has again been
very ill with fever just like last year,
& George has had the measles, but they
are both getting better now. I told
you they had proved to Miss the Bourgeois
Now my dear Mrs Hearst with the
sincere hope that you are feeling
better and able to enjoy a great
deal, and with best love from
us both, believe me as ever
your most devoted & grateful

Friend -

Mrs. Eliza

Paris, Jan 16, 1881.

My dearest Mrs Hearst -

I have been
trying to write you for several
days, but have not felt very
bright, & find myself neglecting
many usual duties, writing among
the number -

In a week from this time I
can begin to expect the baby,
at least it is due then, so you
can understand I don't feel
quite as lively as I might -
Even now it is hard to realize
this new ~~change~~ ^{experience} so soon coming
and I don't suppose I shall do so

fully until the baby has arrived. I am sorry
there has been a delay about my box of pretty things
for it will probably not arrive till some time
after the baby. However, I can provide temporarily for
the little shirts & socks. Everything else I have ready.
The weather is intensely cold now - everything
frozen hard. We have many bright sunny
days, however, and it is fine weather for taking
exercise -

I am feeling so anxious to learn something later
in regard to my parents' plans, and hope soon
to hear of their all starting together for Europe.
I hope & believe it will be a happy change for them -

I am quite sure it is the only chance for
my dear Mother to regain her health & be relieved
from her very hard life - I think it very good
if Aunt Susan to wish to do so much for their
good & I trust all will go smoothly & pleasantly
when they live together -

If it will not be possible for me to see
them all on their arrival in Europe owing to
the great extra expense of coming over to
Paris before going on to Leiston, I shall still

feel very thankful to think of them so much
nearer & in comfort & will look forward to

gunning by me, trying to
find it himself -

The weather has been good
lately - baby has had fresh
air - He is going to be
very dark like his father
& has deep blue eyes.

People tell me he is very
pretty, but they may only
flatter - however, I think he
is -

Papa left Southampton yesterday
for Leiston. He spent a few
days in London with the
Cooks & this gave him an
opportunity of meeting Alfredo
family -

(Incomplete) Paris, March 25, 1881

My dearest Mrs Hearst -

I have
not written for some days
and although my time has
been so much occupied as
to prevent me from doing
so, I have thought much
about you all in California
& of what you are doing
for my sisters - They must
be having a charming time
& no doubt will be sorry
when the time comes for
them to leave you

I have heard nothing of
Mamma's plans in regard
to the time of starting &
hope soon to have a letter
telling me when to expect
them here.

It will be such a pleasure
to have them with me
for a time & I shall be
so proud to show my
own husband & baby &
sweet little home.

I wish you could see how
the little fellow is growing
& improving every day -
he is getting so fat &

his little arms & feet look
exactly like those of the
rubber babies they make.
Alfred says he has no wrists
& very little in the way of
fingers - which is quite true.
I never knew a baby could
be so little trouble - he sleeps
all night long - I hardly
ever lose a minute's rest
with him & the only trouble
is I sleep too soundly, when
I take him into bed to nurse
him, I drop off to sleep
sometimes for several hours
& only wake to find baby
ready for another meal, and

will have not one
earthly thing to do
except to feed & nurse
my baby -
O how deeply I should
love to have you comfort
us when I could make
you rest & when you
would not even have
to look at anybody if
you didn't feel like it -
Can't you come over
before the summer is past?
I am sure you need a
change -

Bank
Lyndhurst
Hampshire
England
May 20, 1881

My dearest Mrs. Leavelle,
I must
write you a few lines tonight
to tell you how we made
the journey from Paris for
if I do not now, it may
be some days before I find
time to do so as tomorrow
the steamer is due which
brings my dear Mother &
Sisters to Europe - You can
imagine my great anxiety

a excitement as the time draws near
& I can scarcely wait to see them -
Alfred has gone up to London & will
meet Mamma there & expect her
soon here to remain some time
us before sailing for Lisbon -
I thank all your great kindness
to my dear ones & how much you
have done to make their journey

pleasanter & easier - Words are quite
inadequate to express my gratitude to
you for all this - it seems all like
a dream their coming. But a short
time ago I thought of my dear
Mother with her life full of sorrow &
care - now it seems joyous & there is
just signature for her & I shall try to
keep her with me as long as possible
in this lovely little place where she
will be so happy & I shall be so
happy to see her & to be with her

Mrs. Ellis
1881

For Alfred seems to feel
that he would rather
live comfortably in the
country than in a very
small way in London, &
perhaps he is right.

I hope Bill is doing well
& will enter college, do
try & let me know sometimes
how you are - only a postal
card will be necessary.

Take good care of yourself.

My darling baby is growing
wonder every day. I shall
soon send you his photograph.

Accept the most anxious
love of your always devoted
& grateful Mother

Now let me tell you
about the lovely little
place we are stopping
at - it is right in the
middle of the "Dun Forest"
famous in history as the
favorite hunting ground
of William the Conqueror
& to form, which we are
told he had made many
towns & villages, but on this
point of historic traditions
differ. In either case it
is a grand old forest now
in all the perfection of its

Springer foliage: The house lodgings in
a little one covered cottage commanding
a most lovely view & with a pleasant
sitting room opening on to the little
garden filled with forget-me-nots and
other flowers while a stately pine uprightly
frames the window of my bedroom and
the lovely clusters of white blossoms
were tempting me to look at the
baby asleep in his cradle

It is really a most perfect specimen
of English country life and you Ann
had surely got it. The party taken two
pleasant bedrooms in a cottage near
by for Mamma & the girls and they
will have their meals with us.
It should not be at all surprising if
in the course of a year or two we came
to live in England & probably in the county

him happy.

I am sorry to tell you that our dear baby has been very ill for the last ten days with a severe attack of bronchitis, which has been greatly aggravated by the fact of his cutting four teeth at once.

We have indeed had an anxious time & I have felt much fatigued from the care & watching. I am glad to say the little darling is now much better & begins to be like his merry self once more, although still confined strictly to his own rooms which should be kept of an even temperature night & day.

6 Boulevard de Courcelles
Paris, Jan 16 1882.

My dearest Mrs Hearst.
I cannot tell you how delighted it was to receive your long, charming letter; it was so pleasant to have so much written with your own hand. Of course I had heard nothing of your plans & occupations since your departure from California.

You must be greatly enjoying your winter in New York & no doubt will make many

new & pleasant acquaintances
while there. I am glad that
Bill is doing so well in his
studies & that he has shown
himself the possessor of a
good voice.

What a great big fellow
he must be by this time.
I hope he will pay a visit
to Europe before very long, so
that I can see him before
he grows quite out of recognition,
which will no doubt occur
when the moustache comes.
I hope Mr Hearsch will carry
out his intention of joining
you in New York. I am
sure the change would do
him good.

What a pleasant trip across
the continent you must have
had! Well do I remember
my own enjoyment of every
hour during our trip three
years ago, when I was coming
to see at least fame on
this side of the water. Little
did I think then that a husband
awaited me - and such a good
husband as he is too. I don't
think many men know so
well how to make a woman
happy, or are so thoughtful in
the little things of life, which, after
all make up the sum of our
existence.

I only trust I may always be
able to do my part well & make

I believe now that all my
trouble might have been
saved had I received good
medical treatment sooner -
but I could not believe there
was anything wrong & only
had help after we came
back to Paris three months ago.

You say nothing about your
health, so I hope you are
much stronger. Let me
urge you also to take good
care of yourself and try
to get much better before
you come to Europe.

What a disgrace the way
that wretched little Marie
has behaved to you! - the only
excuse I have for her is that

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Two of the new teeth are cut,
& the others soon will be, so I
hope after that baby will
get quite well again.
This is his first real illness
& you can imagine how uneasy
we have been, especially as his
chest was the seat of trouble &
there is an immense amount
of illness of this kind now
in Paris among children.
The weather is miserably
damp & foggy, although not
very cold for the season.
We have had no snow as
yet & up to a few weeks ago,
many days were beautifully clear
& bright, quite like spring weather.
In London the weather is also

remarkably warm. Winter
clothing ^{being} almost unbearable &
they people obliged to have
the windows open to admit
fresh air.

How seasons differ in certain
localities! In Algeria the cold
has been something dreadful.
many camels as well as men
having perished.

As soon as I could find
time after getting home, I called
on Madame Binard & delivered
your photographs. She was not
at home however, but came to
see me not long ago.

She seems very busy and
I thought rather tired of
having to work so hard.

She spoke a great deal of
you & your ears much have
burned.

I wish I had more time to
study & I would try & take lessons
from her. But really I fear to
undertake too much. I am
a great deal better & almost
entirely relieved of my trouble
but have not so much strength
as I ought & much be patient
& wait for that a little longer.
I appreciate greatly all your
good advice to me about being
careful. Ill-health is indeed
a dreadful calamity and I
know one cannot take too many
precautions about recovering from
any derangement.

with such startling rapidity
& pours out of his books in the
same proportion, that I find all
my spare cash brought into use
it is astonishing how many things
a little fellow like that requires.
Never mind, I have great hopes
of my painting. You are so kind
to try & find some one willing
to receive my work. Please don't
worry yourself about it however.
I know how much you have to
do.

Mrs. Brown that was, now Mrs.
Novenden is living in New York
with her husband & I hear
he is having immense
success. You may have heard
of him. Mrs. H. is also doing

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she is French. After all your
goodness to her too. I only
hope she will be made to
suffer well yet by people
who will treat her as she
deserves. Have you found
some one who is satisfactory
to fill her place?

I have not seen Mrs. L.
& it is much better so. After
all that has happened I of
course can do nothing but
mistrust & dislike her & the
more I think of her duplicity
the more I feel it is better
to cease all intercourse with
her. I can hardly imagine her
daring to ask you for more
money.

How very, very good you
are to hope to be so kind to
my sisters! I will not mention
anything to them of what you
tell me, so that you will let
them know only what you
wish in your own good time.
I am glad to hear they are
going out a little & seem
to have made some pleasant
kind friends in Lisbon.

You know as well as I do
that it is not what people
give but the way they give
that makes others happy, and
my parents & sisters went to
Portugal with no extravagant
ideas as to what they were to
receive. They certainly expected

more kindness & less hard words
& manners.

I really believe my aunt has
a very kind heart & tries as
well as she knows how to do
all she can, but she cannot
change her nature or manner &
minds when perhaps she hardly
means it.

Clark is taking singing lessons
& seems to enjoy them greatly.
I trust Mamma supplied with
"stamp money" so that she can write
just as many letters as she chooses.
You know if I had the money,
they would very soon be happy.
I should so much enjoy making
up boxes of pretty dresses & other
things to send the girls, but some-
how, baby wears out his flannels

I hope the letter I wrote you
for Christmas arrived safely - I
wrote in time for it to reach
you by the 25th of December.

Not long ago we spent the evening
with some friends & met a Mrs
Christmas from San Diego, who has
been in California - Did you know
her?

It is very late & I must say
good night. You cannot think how
very often you are in my thoughts.
I do so enjoy hearing from you -
I have written sixteen pages & never
thought you for the lovely book mark you
sent. It has a sacred place in my bible.

Alfred sends much love - & by many
kisses -
Give my love to Will & accept untold
amounts for you dear self from your ever
most devoted & grateful

Emma

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well, not only artistically, but
otherwise, for a little stranger
is expected next month.
I have not received a line
from her since her marriage,
so don't know her address.

Alfred & I have just
called on Mrs. Mrs. Thellaker
who is ^{to be} in Paris for the next
few months & has taken a
furnished apartment near us.
Mrs. Chisholm is also here &
called on us with Mrs. Thellaker
a few days ago - The latter seems
a very charming lady & I hope
to meet her again.

There are many many pleasant
friends among the American
artists here. Mr & Mrs F. A. Bridgman

are exceedingly polite & we
see a good deal of them.

Mr Bridgman is a New York
artist & at the head of American
painters here at least in Eastern
& Egyptian subjects.

They are charming people &
we spend many pleasant
evenings there. We were to dine
with them a few nights ago, but
Mrs's illness prevented our going.

This artistic society is very
delightful & I enjoy it greatly.
We have another friend, Mr. West
who is rapidly acquiring fame
also in Eastern subjects. His wife
is a very pleasant little woman,
although very much of a " Yankee"
being from New Hampshire.

They have spent much time in
Greece & other parts of Greece
& expect to return there next
winter & want us to go also -
We have not decided at all
what to do - are looking for an
apartment with a studio which
we very much need - but it
is almost impossible to find
what we require in a nice
part of Paris -

We shall in all probability
spend the Summer in England
& have very happy & shall
be if you can carry out
your intention of coming to
Europe in May - Would Will
from you here before he enters Italy
in the Autumn?

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Liabon, Apr. 28th

No. 50 Rua do Sacramento

to a' Lapa

My dear Mrs Hearst:

I wish you could have seen how your letters infused hope, courage and happiness into our hearts; poor Mamma's, especially.

Could you have, I am sure you would feel more repaid for your goodness, than by anything I can say. How can I thank you, what shall I say?

Words are so inadequate to express my feelings, or perhaps the fault is in my management of them, still I only know, that I sit here feeling almost powerless to tell you what I feel.

That I love you with my whole

heart and feel dreadfully disap-
pointed that we shall not see
you, I am sure you know; but
we must live in hopes that
before very long, you may
again be able to come to Eu-
rope, and that you may then
be able to pay us a visit.

It was just one day year last
Wednesday since we left home,
we all felt home-sick I am
sure, but not one of us admit-
ted it, and this trying in
each one of us to keep the
spirits of the others up, helped
to keep up our own.

So many times during the
day, I stopped and counted
the hours back, to find out
what at that particular time
we had all been about.

At one time, I happened to

have had taking care of
him. How delighted he must
be to have his dear Mother
with him again & can
understand.

Did you find Mr Hearsh
still away according to your
expectation, or has he returned?

I can fancy you now so
very busy between your house-
hold duties, getting all your
rooms arranged & numberless
visitors. Only try to keep
yourself well & not go quite
beyond your strength.

St. Valery-en-Caux.
Seine Inferieure
June 25, 1872.

My dear Mrs Hearsh.

I was so
glad to get your letter, written
on the steamer, & posted in
New York, for I now know of
your safe arrival after your
sea journey.

I am sorry the weather was
so gloomy, for it is so much
pleasanter to be able to spend
much time on deck.

But you had plenty of occupation,
& no doubt the days passed
rapidly.

Perhaps you did not find the

weather quite so warm in
New York as you feared, for
the cold season seems to
have been almost universal,
& a letter received from a
friend in Philadelphia a few
days ago, spoke of very unusual
weather for the season.

You must now be at home
& I trust feel so in your
own beautiful house. I think
with a few alterations which
no doubt you will have
made, that you will soon
create an atmosphere quite

your own, & perhaps obliterate
entirely the first feelings of
dissatisfaction which you felt
on hearing of the purchase.
It will be a comfort after
all to have some place to
put all your pretty things, &
not have to store & scatter
them each time you go away.

I hope your friend Will
quite recovered from his
temporary illness. I saw just
now that big boy in bed
with the chicken-pox, what a
funny time your friends must

Gallant ship left the harbor -
But for some private reason,
the admiral delayed the departure
till night, so the girls lost their
opportunity of using the signals -
Clara said this part of the
performance made her Aunt
very happy -

The girls gave an amusing account
of her summer wardrobe - how
they had been buying some nice
light things, making old ones do
where possible - One of her old
black hats she made new by
several coats of shoe polish &
then trimmed it -

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I am grieved to tell you of
my poor Mother's great suffering
for the last month with
three dreadful boils on her
head. Nothing could be more
painful & the girls were so
she is wretchedly worn & thin
from the suffering & want of
sleep.

I only trust no more may
come & that the change to
Linton will do her good.

All my family expected to go
to Manservant last Thursday
for a time - ^{to visit the Coates} I hope nothing

has occurred to delay their
visit, as the change will
do them all good.

Your long letter written on the
steamer will do my mother
more good I think than even
the salubrious climate of Cintra.

It is more medicine for the
mind than the body that she
requires.

I write her constantly, giving
every little detail of our
quiet country life which I
think will interest her.

Lulu & Clara have been

enjoying the society of some
naval officers who were in
the Tago with their squadron
for some days. They found
it very refreshing to such
Americans once more, especially
as they were among the party
who went East with the girls
from San Francisco last year.

The young men taught the girls
the signals much to Aunt Susan's
disapproval who thought it highly
improper, in order that they might
wave a fond farewell as the

to retain his rank of Major &
wear his uniform, I don't see
that he would gain very much by
remaining.

Baby is well & happy, he has
cut two double teeth since we
have been here, without the least
trouble - he now ten teeth.

He is delighted with everything &
seems to be six months older
than when we were in Paris.

Not long ago I received an application
from Cassell's "Magazine of Art",
a London publication, to reproduce
my Salon picture in the magazine.
I replied that if it could be

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some extent this summer &
next winter if one of the girls
cares about coming to us in Paris,
I will do what I can to make
it pleasant in our little artistic
circle.

They are hard at work. Alfred
is doing some good studies of
donkeys, cows & horses, also landscape.
I am devoting myself to the
latter branch & to an old interior
with a woman working at a loom
on rainy days.

Although we have had a good
deal of unpleasant weather, I

think from all I hear, that
we have been much more
fortunate in this respect than
most people.

St. Valery is charming - &
very much enjoy the country.

There are few people here -
yet we have it all to our-
selves.

Alfred's Uncle & Aunt whom you
met, their daughter are coming
here, for August & September & this
will be very pleasant. Julia will
spend a few weeks with us, so
there will be quite a party.

Our friends the Savoyes arrive in
a few days. They have a charming
place here.

Alfred has at last decided
to resign his Militia, so he will
not go to England this year.
It has been hard for him to do
this having been in it for sixteen
years. But it is a great interruption
to his work & interferes very much
with his summer plans always,
not to speak of the chance
of being embodied should war
ever occur. His Colonel never
will give him leave, as it is really
quite a task, & as he has over the night

mis. Elias :
rather irregular in my letters
don't think it is from want of
interest. I work hard & often
take your advice & example & go
to bed, letting everything go in the
evening.

I did not see the Morris before
leaving Paris. They promised to call
& we mentioned one or two Thursday
evenings for them to come but they
did not. I am too busy as you know
to do all the visiting.

Now I must say good bye with
wishes of love. Take good care of
your dear self. Try & let me hear
of you sometimes. Always your
devoted & grateful Cousin,

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done at the Salon I would be
very glad to give permission, as
I did not think you would object
to have your picture published.
I wrote a few days later to say
that if they had not been able
to take the copy at the Salon,
the picture would be at Mrs
Morris for a few days where
they could see it.

I received a letter this morning
however, saying that they had
decided to make their choice from
pictures which had been photographed
before going to the Salon, so as
to avoid extra trouble in photographing

especially for the magazine.
I am sorry for this as it would
have been quite a satisfaction
to have the picture reproduced.
Still it is something to have
had it noticed & my permission
asked for.

Casals is the magazine Alfred
wrote an article for some time
ago & is a good publication.
Alfred sends much love, he
was only too happy to do anything
for you in Paris.

His brother Ellis wishes me to
express to you how very sorry he was
not to have seen something

of you in London. He & his wife
were just leaving ~~home~~ when
your cards came.
As soon as they returned Mrs
Ellis wrote to say she would
call & arrange an evening for
you to dine with them. She
went to your hotel & found you
had left the day before.
The Misses Ellis I know
were all away - they only returned
after your departure.
What a long letter I have
written you & yet it seems
very unsatisfactory. If I can

conclusion that it was best
to do so, owing to his painting &
it being always a tie to spend
a month every summer at the
training.

This was before things were so
serious in Egypt: but when there
was really a chance of war, Alfred
determined to try to withdraw
his resignation & went over
to England for that purpose.
But he got no encouragement
in this resolve, either from his
relatives or from the colonel of
his regiment - the latter assuring

[Incomplete]

St. Valery-en-Causc.

Seine-Inférieure.

July 27 1882.

My dear Mrs. Hearsh.

I wrote you some
weeks ago, after our arrival here &
giving you some little account
of our country life.

I have heard nothing of your
movements since reaching America,
as probably Grandma has had no
letters from her relatives there who
have seen you since your return
to San Francisco.

I hope however, that you had a
very pleasant trip across the
continent & found everything as you

desired it to be. I wonder if you are now in town or
have gone to some country resort?

How strange it seems to me now to think of you
so far away! - really, sometimes my life in America seems
all a dream - I almost wonder if I really spent
so many years of my life there. Such enormous
changes have occurred in my destiny since leaving
America - you know what a very different - new
life I lead.

Very little has occurred for me to write about, except
that Alfred went to England for a week & brought
Cetta & Don back with him to spend some ~~time~~
with us. They have been here three weeks & leave
in about ten days. After which time Jullia will
finish the summer with us. Alfred went to
England on purpose to see about his militia.
I think I told you in my last letter that he
had sent in his resignation, having come to the

into our spare bedroom,
converted into a studio for
the time being, and makes
large studies of cocks & hens
much to baby's delight, who
thinks it great fun to
watch these feathered models
& hear them crow.

Fancy hiring a country
house for the season to
perform such works of
art. Still, I mustn't be
too sarcastic, for there
have really been quite
a number of days during
the past three months, when

St. Valery-en-Caux
Sept. 13 1882.

My dear Mrs Hearst.
It is indeed
a long time since I wrote
to you, & since doing so
I have received your
letter, written shortly after
your arrival in San Francisco.
For a month past I have
been quite sick & was
for three weeks confined
entirely to the house & for
several days to bed.
The weather has been so very
bad this summer & I think
I must have caught cold
sitting out sketching.
I had much fever & a

constant dull headache,
which would get worse
every afternoon & prevent
my eating dinner or doing
anything but go to bed.
I really thought I was going
to have an attack of fever,
but by taking quinine &
other remedies prescribed
by the physician here, this
tendency was broken up.

I am now much better,
though still weak & don't
dare work out of doors as
the weather is very bad.

O! how I sigh for a little
of dear old California's good

sunshine; it would be
a comfort to live in a
climate where it doesn't
rain five days out of
every week, which is
certainly what it does
here. The ground is in a
perpetual state of soak &
the poor farmers are in despair
as their crops are not yet
gathered, or least not in
many places.

Alfred, in despair, has
started a "chicken ranch"
on a small scale, & brings
up his best specimens

He will have several pictures to paint next winter & this brings me to the subject of our new studio & apartment which we have taken in Paris.

Alfred went up on the 5th of August to look for a studio only, as we had decided to keep our present apartment, not having found anything suitable.

He discovered near us in the Boulevard Inalsherbis, a

5) it has not rained, at least ^{not} all day, & with the help of india rubber sheets to sit on we really have managed to get a good many studies done, but I have paid dearly for mine. However, in such a good cause, I suppose one mustn't mind a few aches now & then. Still, you see if we have got the art galleries over here, there is still something to sigh for to make an artist's life quite blissful. I have just sent one of my productions to Mr

Groves in Paris to be forwarded
to America with your pictures,
as you kindly offered to
let me send anything
I had, to try what could
be done in New York.

The subject is an old
Normandy farm surrounded
with trees, & Alfred has
put some chickens &
turkeys feeding before the
house. My friends here
thought it pretty, so I
venture to send it, but
hardly hope it will
meet with any success.

Don't trouble yourself about
this too much - as to the
price perhaps \$40 or \$50
would be a fair sum to
ask, but if you think it
too much, or there is any
chance of disposing of the
picture at a lower price
let it go by all means -
I don't need money myself
but there are others who do,
so I may be a little too
grasping & ask too much -
Alfred is making great
progress & has done some
very good studies of cows.

the hope to move in October
What an egotistical letter I
am writing; all about ourselves.
I do hope you are having
a pleasant time. Aunt
Emmie wrote me she was
anticipating so much
enjoyment from her lessons
with you in elocution.
She has so little to make
her happy + I know the
change + pleasure of your
society will do her good.
I am so glad Will has
done so well + has passed
successfully his final

9)
very nice apartment to let
+ in the same house a
splendid studio. The temptation
was too great, he telegraphed
for me, I went to Paris +
after a little consultation
we decided to take it, but
not before we had seen
our present landlord, who
said he would put no
obstacles in the way, as we
had taken his apartment
for three years - of course
we were to find another
tenant + he would change
the lease to the persons taking

the apartment. The old
scamp now says that
we shall not move out
till we have found a
tenant & we may have
some trouble with him.
However, we have a very
fine studio & it will be
such a comfort having our
apartment in the same house
two floors below (on the 3rd)
there is to be a speaking
tube between them and I
can thus communicate with
the servants & give orders
without leaving the studio.

The house is not on the
street, but there is a small
private hotel in front, still
the situation is sunny &
healthy, with plenty of fresh
air & the comfort of the
studio will more than make
up for the difference in the
houses the new one not being
quite so nice in the entrance
as our present apartment.
But this is a trifle & one
which ought not to be
considered by the side
of more important things.

Alfred wants to know how
the mines are doing.
Since beginning my letter, I
have received a note from Mr
Groves, asking for the prices
of the pictures to be sent.
For two salon pictures I will
put at \$40 each. The smaller
ones of Tangier & the little river piece
I copied for you, \$20 each. The
one I am sending \$30 - & the
Verbeekhoven \$80. That is the
price I believe Alfred paid for the
sheep picture you left with us.
The prices have to be given here
on account of the custom house,
as Mr Groves has to make a declaration.

What a lot I have written
& yet not said a word

13) examinations. I suppose
you will soon go back
with him to prepare for
his entering college.

When you return to S. F.
no doubt your new home
will be quite complete,
& very charming. I am
sure it will be.

Do you still think of coming
to Europe next year? I
hope you will be able to
do so.

If things go well, I want
to spend part of next summer

in Loutra where I can
be near my people.

Papa is no longer young.

+ I want to go next
year if it is possible.

He would probably spend
August, September, October
there + return to Paris for
the winter.

I am also very anxious
to carry out our plan of
having one of the girls
to spend part of next
winter in Paris with us.

As to which one, it is

difficult for me to decide
+ perhaps they had better do
that between themselves.

Towards the end of the
winter might be preferable
say Feb. March + April,
as Paris is so much more
agreeable at that time +
the cold over to a great
extent.

I will do what I can
to make it pleasant for
one of my sisters and
try to let them see as
much of Paris as possible.

Mrs. Elias

sketching tour. Mr. Hicks will
no doubt bring back material
for some lovely pictures.

The Brynmans have taken a hotel
near us in Old Malshubbes &
are filling it up to suit themselves
with magnificent studios. I
hear it is to be charming.

Dear Mamma seems much
better now - they all have had
more pleasure at Contra than
last year. I trust all may end
happily for them yet & only wish
the girls could find good husbands.
Send my love to Mr. Hearst &
Miss Alfred sends love &
kisses. I hope your visit to
Dad will be a pleasant one. Let
me hear from you sometimes. Always
your devoted & grateful Emma.

17) about dear baby. He is a
favorite character about
town here & knows everybody.
The other day he went to
market & helped himself
to a small fish, which he
carried off & refused to have
it put in paper. He has
several times sat down in
the bath, clothes & all, & does
just as much mischief as
it is possible for a small
boy of twenty months to do.
Such a little bright sunny
fellow you cannot imagine.
Always good tempered & ready

for a joke. He seems to
win all hearts & if this
blessing remains with
him through life, it will
indeed equal a fortune.
He is wonderfully well &
has almost cut his eye teeth
which will make sixteen
in all.

Alfred's aunt & Uncle are
perfectly wrapped up in
him & altogether he gets
an enormous amount
of petting. He is considered
not at all "spoiled" which
is a great satisfaction -

& is certainly a very
obedient child.
I could write pages full of
his baby doings, but must
not take your time.
St. Valery has been very
gay & there is a large English
colony - some very pleasant
people among them &
old friends of Alfred's.
All the Cousins except ourselves
leave at the end of this month,
& we will go a little later.
Is Mr. Hensch in S. F. now?
Our friends the Thunks, the
artist you met, are starting for
India to make an extensive

A speaking tube connecting
the studio & apartment makes
it perfectly easy for me
to give orders or to be sent
for if I am needed for
to-by or anything else.

It is a little more than a
month since we left the
country & we are quite settled
& hard at work.

Before I forget it, let me
thank you for your letter, enclosing
a check for Alfred's picture.

The letter you mention as soon
to send to me I have not
yet received, but hope it is

112 Boulevard Malesherbes
Paris, Nov. 25, 1882.

My dear Mrs Hearsh.

I have
indeed neglected you a
long time & must get
you to forgive me.
Since I last wrote we
have been very busy: first
getting ready to leave St.
Valery, & as soon as we reached
Paris, moving to our own
apartment. You know the

immense amount of
time & labor required
to get settled after a
move - will understand
all there has been to do.

Then to make matters
worse, dear-baby caught
a violent cold a week
after our return to Paris,
& has not been out of the
house for three weeks.

Fortunately, he is now quite
well & will, be out as
soon as the weather permits.

Our new home is very
nice indeed & I think
prettier in some ways
than the other. Our salon
is particularly admired,
& is really a lovely room,
being somewhat larger than
the other & we have had
it hung in red cloth, which
shows off all our pretty
things to great advantage.

The studio is splendid, &
it is such a comfort to
have only two short flights
of stairs to go up to it.

doors from us I may be able
to attend part of the winter.
I have not yet seen Miss
Barnett, but must try & do
so shortly. I believe the Moores
have moved, but don't know
exactly where.

Mrs Wilton gives a Thanksgiving
Tea next Thursday so I
suppose we shall meet a
number of Americans there.

Have you seen anything of
Mr & Mrs Blashfield in New York?

I am so glad dear Aunt Eunice
was able to go East for a time
- am sure the change will
greatly benefit her.

5) already on its way, for I
am very anxious to have
some news of you & what
you have been doing since
you left California.
I was so glad to learn
Will had done so well
at college & hope he may
maintain his high standing.
I expect you have been having
a very delightful visit to
New York & Boston, & only
wish you could have extended
your travels as far as Europe.

We are very glad to be back in Paris again. There is so much to see and enjoy here. For the last month there has been a most interesting exhibition at the Palais de l'Industrie of "Art décorative & retrospective." The latter comprises many of the finest pieces of furniture & tapestry from the "Garde Nationale" of the state; together with splendid private & loan collections.

There are two exhibitions of pictures now going on, but these I have not yet seen.

We have met several Americans

lately. Mrs James Vetheub and daughters were at St. Valery this summer; we have renewed our acquaintance here & find them very nice. Mrs Louis Siebault, (Miss Jennie Elam) of San Francisco is living very near us - She has married a Frenchman & seems dreadfully homesick for America. I believe her husband is a charming man.

The Bridgman's are in their new hotel & a very lovely home it is. Mr B. is building his studios in his garden & expects to open an atelier pro ladies. As it is only a few

for some time. ^{my} Our neighborhood
is very free from the epidemic
however.

I should like to see your
lovely home when it is all
finished - am sure it will be
charming.

I send this to your old address, as
I know Mr Hughes will forward it
to you should you have already
left New York.

Alfred joins me in much love
& begs me to thank you very much
for the check.

Hoping soon to hear from you &
with kisses from baby, ever your
devoted & grateful

9) Please give her my love & thank
her for her kind letter which I
received some time ago.

Things seem to be going on as
usual in Lisbon: all are well,
& Papa is now staying with
Mr Cook at Monserrate.

Clara had commenced her
singing lessons again.

I hope to have one of the girls
after Xmas & have written them
about it.

We have been so unfortunate as
not to let our old apartment
which causes us some loss, &
Alfred has compromised with

the landlord, by paying six
months rent & thereby being
released from all responsibility.
Alfred's sisters are very anxious
to have us go to them for the
Xmas holidays, but we feel we
cannot afford it, & the whole
family are giving up to see
baby in London. They all love
him dearly. Today Alfred asked
baby if he remembered Uncle
Gey who was at St. Valery &
baby immediately touched his
nose with his fat finger, so
you see he is progressing
in French.

My health is very good indeed
& I am getting much stouter.
Alfred has not been very brilliant
lately: perhaps it is from having
worked very hard all through
the summer without any means
of taking much exercise. He
tried to get some shooting, but
there was none to be had
near St. Valery.

The weather is very unpleasant,
& I have never seen Paris
muddier or more gloomy. It is
not very cold & to this they
attribute the continuation of
fever which has been so prevalent

Professional people must have
to do this, otherwise they would
accomplish nothing - You
study too, so might just as
well give yourself a little
comfort -

I am happy to tell you
that Alfred has a large picture
in the Salon. it is six feet
by four, quite well hung
& he has received very
favorable & encouraging criticisms
from many upon it. The
subject is one he found in
Normandy last year. Horses
beating out rape seed.

Unfortunatly I have been
refused this year - it is from
no lack of study or work, but

112 B^{ld} Malherbes

Paris, May 28, 1883

My dear Mrs Hearst.

I am not
going to fill up half my
letter with apologies for not
having written before, you
know I think often of you
& love you just as much as
ever even if I am sometimes
a bad correspondent.

In April, we all three had an
attack of cold in the eyes.
Baby began first, & I think Alfred
& I caught it from him.
Although not serious, it kept us
from work for nearly two weeks,

+ I dared not use mine
at night for a long time.
I continued however, as soon
as possible my study at Mr.
Budyman's studio, as I felt
I was gaining a good deal.
I have now finished my
third month there & as we
hope to leave Paris soon, I
shall work at home during
the few days before our
departure.

No doubt you are quite
settled in your beautiful
home - how I should like
to see it! Try not to
fatigue yourself any more
than you can help - I
know how difficult it must

be to avoid doing so, but
just let some of those
people know you are
not to be entirely their
slave at all times.

If you could only do as
people do here - receive
during a certain portion
of the year - after that
not be "at home" except
to intimate friends - In
this way it is quite possible
to keep up an enormous circle
without becoming worn out
or a slave to society.

At first people would
call it putting on airs -
but that wouldn't offend you.

improving a great deal -
have not yet decided
a house for the summer
at all in
the country
as soon as we
I will write you
Will is doing
he must miss
you as you stand -
from Lieboe,
better though
all strong. I am much more
very anxious about
are studying hard
every morning at
to do extra
publishing.

The Ontario mine has stopped paying
dividends, ostensibly to purchase neighboring
property. If you have any means of knowing
whether it is all right, Alfred will feel very

You know how uncertain
our luck is in these things
- although I am sure I
have improved, there was
probably something in my
picture which did not
suit the Jury. When I go
to the Salon however, & see
the dreadful darts there,
I feel disheartened, & like
never trying for the Salon
again. There are some
absurdly bad things exposed,
on the other hand, I know of
many good pictures refused.

I suppose this must always
be the case.

He called on Madame
Seacroix the other day, but she

was not well & could not
receive us. She is in
mourning I believe.

Miss Barnett dined
with us night before last.
She seems quite hopeful
about her book - I hope it
will be a success - Have
you read it?

Baby is growing rapidly
& talks a good deal of French.
he is a dear little fellow, &
a great comfort to us.

Mrs. Bosman is in Paris
& expects to come to see
baby this afternoon, so to
prepare for the occasion &
make himself look prettier, he

fell down this morning, &
made a tremendous bump on
his forehead, after the manner
of his kind - I have him
all bandaged up with
"Pond's extract," to try & make
him presentable - Poor little
thing! it is a wonder to me
they ever grow up whole - a
good many don't do it true, but
I can't see how one escapes.

The house had very warm
weather in Paris for two or
three weeks - the parks are
looking lovely & I am out as
much as possible with baby -

Alfred is studying horses at
some stable near us, & is

long before we left Paris,
& when we were still
uncertain in regard
to our plans for the
summer.

Alfred went on a little
exploring expedition in
Normandy, & finally came
to this little place. He
saw at once that it
would suit us, & took
a charming house.

He arrived here the 14th
of June & hope to remain
till the middle of October.

Asnelles, par Bayeux
Calvados, France.

Aug 12, 1883.

My dear Mrs Hearst.

Your two
letters have been received,
you are first much-prized
ones, & a few days later, the
once interesting description
of your beautiful home, as
well as your occupations
during your stay in Boston.

I cannot tell you how
much I prize all this.

for it is a long time
since I have had more
than a word of news of
you.

I know how much
anxiety & care you must
have had before getting
everything quite satisfactorily
arranged in your home -
but I am sure the
result must be much
charming. When means
& good taste are combined,
it cannot be otherwise.
What a delightful time

you must have had in
Boston, it is of course a
great advantage to
still to have nice
associates near him,
& it must make you
feel less anxious about
him, knowing that ^{he} is
with nice people.

You say nothing about
your own health, so I
hope you are feeling
well.

I think my last
letter was written out

Many years of steady,
faithful work that one
can expect to succeed.

It seems to me I have
scarcely begun yet.

I have quite given up
the idea of selling, for
in thinking too much
about that one does not
do such conscientious study.

If it comes later I shall
be very thankful, if not,
the love of my work is
in itself compensation.

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Asnelles is a tiny quaint
village about eight miles
from Bayeux, which is
the nearest railway
station. The country
here is charming &
perfectly suited to our
work. The beach is
delightful, consisting of
beautiful smooth sands.

We have a dear old house,
in the centre of a large
garden & orchard &
are very comfortable & happy -

Alfred's two sisters Lillie
& Dora are spending the
summer with us & Lillie
hopes to come to us later
she is now in Scotland.

We took a nice place
near us for Alfred's Aunt
& Uncle whom you met
in London. They are
much pleased with
this place.

We also have friends
for whom we took a small
house - Mr & Mrs Pollock.

They live near us in Paris,

and are cultured, nice
people. Mr Pollock is a
son of Sir Frederick Pollock.

They are people in very
good position & are all
very literary. We have
other friends at the Hotel,
so altogether, we form
quite a pleasant little
circle of our own.

Alfred & I spend most
of our time sketching &
I hope we are making
progress - Art is slow,
indeed & it is only after

Mrs. Elias
My people are at Contra -
they find it very dull
this summer - as very few
people are there - still, more
may come later.

Please remember me very
kindly to all who may
still seem interested in
me in S.F. it seems a
long time since I left there
& indeed it is - five years! -

Alfred joins me in love -
Give mine also to Mr. Stewart &
Bill. Hoping you are feeling well,
& wishing you every happiness & blessing
in your own home, believe me ever
Your most devoted & grateful
Dummi.

(3)

Alfred is certainly making
progress - he hopes to paint
some good pictures during
the winter - for the present,
we are doing only studies,
bits of preparation, & this re-
Alfred is also studying
houses.

I learn Orrin Peck is
going to study art, &
am glad he is able
to carry out his long-
wished plans in this
respect.

Our dear little boy is a
perfect picture of health.
he is very good & sweet
& loved by everybody -
I hope you have received
his photo by this time,
which I sent with a
packet to Aunt Clara by
Mrs. Thillaber - He was
just two years old when
it was taken.

Baby talks French altogether
which is a very good thing
for him, as he will always
speak it well hereafter.

I don't think I ever told
you that last year Alfred's
sisters & cousins Howard Batten
& his wife met your friend
Mr. Tift in Denmark - he
was polite to them & they
have seen him a good
deal in London. Howard
has succeeded in getting
him some orders, I
believe, & has taken people
to see his work - Ellis
also knows him &
asked him to dine
with him.

I tell you all these
particulars so that you
can see what we are
doing -

No doubt you are by
this time in San Francisco
again & probably settled
in your new home.

I hope you will greatly
enjoy it & I am sure
others will also do the
same, for you always
find someone who needs
cheering or comforting.

Our dear baby is such
a little darling - he is

112 Blvd. Malakoff
Paris, Nov. 10 1883

My dear Mrs. Harsh
I hope
you will not think me
unkind or forgetful for
having allowed so long
a time to elapse without
writing to you.

I have always the
same excuse to offer,
& for the last two
months I have been
unusually busy -
We have both done
several pictures lately
& have greatly enjoyed
working together in our

charming studio.

Alfred has two large pictures of horses which he is going to send to the Salon, ^{has done} also several smaller ones which are very nice - one he exhibited at his club in the Rue Volney & it was very favorably spoken of in an art publication here. I think you would enjoy seeing all our work for I know you take an interest in it.

Mr Bidyman has

opened an atelier for ladies very near us & I am attending the class. It is a great pleasure to me to feel I am doing such good serious study. We have fine models there & Mr B. is I think a very good master.

Everyone says Alfred has made immense progress during the past year - he seems much interested in his work & looks forward with pleasure to our summer's sketching.

people.

We went to a reception at the Bridgman's a few nights ago & Oscar Wilde was present - it was great fun & his conversation was as good as a play.

We were invited to dinner the other evening to meet the Princesse de Silla, a very charming woman & an artist. She asked me to become a member of the Society of Lady Artists. I perhaps will as it may be an advantage later -

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greatly admired by all our friends & is really worthy of it. I have a photograph for you taken when he was two years old & it is considered a good likeness, though not a flattering one. His drawing is so lovely & of course no photo can give that.

We are having most dreadful weather just now; in fact the coldest during the whole winter. It is rather trying after the

mild spring days we
have enjoyed lately
when it was possible to
sit out in the parks
all day long.

I trust the cold will
soon pass for we need
a little more sunshine.

Affairs look rather
unsettled just now
in Paris. There is much
discontent among the
lower classes, & yesterday
there was a socialist
meeting during which

shops & carriages were
attacked, windows smashed
& a good deal of incite-
ment prevailed. This is
not pleasant & I hope
the authorities will soon
put a stop to such
proceedings. Many people
think that a change of
government is not far
distant.

We have greatly en-
joyed our winter, have
been out a good deal
& met some very charming

to see "Fidora", Sarah Bernhardt's
great piece. She is wonderful
- looks very handsome. The
costumes are magnificent.
I hope you have good
news of Will & that he
is doing well at college.
How thankful you must be to
know he is turning out so well.
I have most deplorable accounts
of young men of 17
especially sons of rich men.
Truly it is a great pity ~~that~~
when the rising generation cannot
stand a little wealth. but perhaps
my information is mistaken. I hope he
as Alfred sends love. Miss Barnett
came to see me not long ago. her look is
out & she seems very happy.
With much love & hoping you are very well
I am as ever your devoted & grateful
Auntie

9) I hope dear Aunt Emma
will return from her
Southern trip rested &
comforted. I know how much
she must have suffered
at being away at the time
of dear Grandma's death; but
she has nothing to reproach
herself for, & our daughter
could have been more devoted
& patient during all these
trying years than she has
been.

Dear Mamma has been
feeling very miserable lately
& has realized I think more
since the death of her Mother

than usual how much she
misses her old associations.
I often wonder how it will
all end which is to be
my sisters' fate. They seem
to be enjoying their studies
immensely & are working
very hard at music &
French. They have after
all a great deal to be
thankful for, even if their
surroundings are not as
pleasant as they would
like.

We are making all our
plans to go to Lebrun for

two months in the autumn.
We will probably go to some
quiet place for the summer,
when we can work & then
go south, returning by
way of England where we
shall probably spend a short
time; or I am very anxious
to show baby to all his English
friends & relatives, who have
not already had the pleasure
of making his acquaintance.
Alfred's brother Ellis has been
spending a few days in Paris.
We saw a good deal of him
& went to the theatre together

I hope you received the
last letter I wrote you -
directed to 65 Broadway - New York -

No doubt you are now
with Will, & I hope enjoying
yourself very much.

I hope soon to hear from
you & that you will come to
Europe next year -

With much love, in which Alfred
joins & again wishing you a
very happy New Year, believe
me dear Mrs. Hearst, ever
your most devoted & grateful

Ernie -

Paris, Dec - 18, 1883.

My dear Mrs. Hearst.

Just a few
lines to wish you & yours
every happiness & blessing
for the New Year. I only
trust it may bring you all
you deserve -

We expect to be very quiet
during the holidays.

Clara seems happy with
us & enjoys Paris very much.

She is working hard at music &

Frank is improving in both -
Baby is much better - I
think I told you in my
last letter that he had
a very bad cold - it may
have been whooping cough - if it
was, he has had a very light
attack & has gotten over it
very easily -

The little darling is so lovely
he is a sweet child & a
great comfort to us - I wish
you could see him -

We are having rather cold
weather now, though not

too bad for the season -
Alfred & I are making very
hard - painting pictures from
our summer studies -
Alfred has a very good
subject for a picture -
two horses in a field looking
at the horses go by trying to
get out - the action is very good
& I think he will make something
good of it -

I have just become a member
of the society of lady artists
here - it will be an advantage
to me -

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getting animals, & we have
a large garden & orchard where
he can pose them right at
home.

I am devoting myself to land-
scape & also do some figures
of children, of which there
are several always ready to
pose for me.

As for, the season has been
a most delightful one &
we have had no time on account
of rain.

Our friends Mr & Mrs Pollock,
who were here last summer,
are now here, & it is very
pleasant having some nice
society around.

Alfred's three sisters expected
to spend the summer with us,

Ismael, par Reyes -
Salvador, July 19, 1884.

My dear Mrs Hearst -

It has been
such a pleasure to me to
receive your two charming
letters. So much news of you
& yours is indeed refreshing,
after the few stray scraps I
have had to be satisfied with
for so long.

First let me say how
very pleased I was to learn you
had been so seriously ill. I
knew you had not been well
last winter in the East, but
had no idea you had been

so frustrated till I received
your first letter. The second,
received a short time ago,
gives more hopeful accounts
of your returning health and
strength, & I hope by this time
you are nearly yourself again.

O, be careful & save all
the steps & energy you can.

I know how difficult it
must be to do this, with so
much constantly to be done
& attended to in a large
establishment.

No doubt Will is ever
with you. I am delighted to
hear such good accounts of
him in every way, & you
must feel very proud of
the high standard he main-

tains at college.

I should say that his future
were quite safe, & it must
be an enormous relief & satis-
faction to you to know that
the often dangerous time between
seventeen & twenty one had been
safely passed.

I am very glad to hear
Mr Hearst is so well now -
he ought certainly to take care
of himself & not go too often
on those trying & fatiguing journeys.

I last wrote you from
London, where we spent three
weeks most delightfully,
arriving here the 1st of June.
The country is very charming &
we find so much to interest
us in our work.

Alfred has every facility for

admired & petted by all who know him. He is exceedingly bright, & very amusing.

Your kind words of congratulation & encouragement on my success at the Royal Academy were very pleasant to hear. Art is a long road to travel & one must expect many discouragements & disappointments on the way. But I feel that I am doing conscientious work, & this will tell in time.

Alfred & I have the highest standard before us, & look to the very finest work that is done in our separate branches.

Trusting that if that will

5) but owing to the opinion and of cholera in France, their friends have strongly advised them not to come, so unless there is a decided diminution of the disease very soon, which hardly seems possible, we shall probably not see them here at all this year.

It is not pleasant feeling this dreadful disease planted on the same soil as ourselves, but we could not be better situated as far as health & surroundings are concerned.

The town, or rather village is very small & much scattered.

We take every precaution in our food, water & other things. Should the cholera break

out in Paris, which is not unlikely, I fear, we shall remain here till danger is past.

Our dear little boy is very happy & bright - he is growing rapidly, & is no longer a baby - his hair is cut short & he is such a monkey looking little fellow. I suppose before I know it, he will be in kindergarten. You say in your last letter that probably he has been spoiled by all the attention he gets, but that there will be time to correct this later. My dear friend I can only give you the general

opinion, which is that he is not the best spoiled. This is something which parents owe their children. It is a false kindness to allow them to become a nuisance to everybody, themselves included.

In my mind the spoiling lays principally with the parents, if they don't do it, other people can pay enough attention to the child without any bad result. This I have found with our own boy. Alfred & I insist on being obeyed, & this without much trouble as we began as soon as there was the least understanding developed in baby. The result is that he is a dem. looking little fellow,

short leave.

I am glad to tell you that
our Uncle who was so ill, is
much better. The doctors even
talk hopefully of his being able
to walk again. If the improvement
is a permanent one, it will be a
miraculous cure, as so seldom
any relief can be obtained from
Lumpkin.

From my dear Mrs. Hearst, I
send my good bye. Alfred joins
me in much love to you & please
give mine to Mrs. Hearst & Will.

Hoping you all will pass a
very pleasant summer, always

Your devoted & loving
Cousin

Mrs. Eliza

I am sending you a photo of myself & that
& the one of Alfred were taken in London by an artist
friend while we were visiting his studio.

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satisfy us; whether we reach
it or not, time will show,
but it is something to aim
high.

I wish the duty on pictures
in America was not so
high now, & I would try
my luck at the Exhibition
there, but with 30% there is
no use thinking of paying as
much on an uncertainty.

I must mail & see if
the Democrats do anything
in regard to the tariff.

They seem to stand a good
chance of success. Mr. Hearst
must be very hopeful about it.

I get good news from
Liston. Monna seems much
better since the mother has

become warm, & the summer
is unusually cool for Lisbon.

They don't seem to suffer
much from the heat.

Papa had a delightful trip to
the North of Portugal with
Mr & Mrs Francis, & it seems
to have done him a world
of good. He visited Mr Cook
at Monserate later, & has also
being staying with Aunt Susan
at Coimbra. Blana will go to
see her also; she is not well
I hear.

Mr Cook has just given
forty thousand pounds to found
a home for art & other ^{body} students
studying at the South Kensington
Museum & other institutions of

learning. It is to be a splendid
work, built near the Albert Hall
London, & does Mr Cook honor.

The corner stone was laid a
few days ago by the Princess of
Wales, who has taken great interest
in the work & christened it
"Alexander House". I sent two
cuttings about it from the "Times"
to mamma, & asked her to
forward them to you, as I know
you would feel interested,
knowing what Mr Cook is.

One of Alfred's cousins from
India has been spending a few
days with us, he is a nice
fellow & Alfred enjoys having
him. He returns to England
next week, as he only has a

Dear Lyman is picking up
very rapidly & looks almost
as well as before his illness.

We took him today to see a
good homoeopathic physician, & he
says from what I tell him that
baby had no scarlet fever at all,
but an aggravated case of measles.

As you can imagine, my summer
has not been a pleasant one.

Painting has suffered in
consequence of so many
interruptions, still I have done
a good deal - & I think improved.

Alfred has made many good
studies & sketches & has material
for many pictures which he hopes
to paint this winter.

112 Boulevard Malesherbes.

Paris, Oct. 11, 1884.

My dear Mrs Hearst.

You must
think me very unkind to have
allowed so many months to pass
without writing to you. I am
sure though when you hear all
I have had to endure for several
months that you will quite
understand my silence is not
from carelessness or want of
affection.

In the first place, let me
tell you that some time next
March I will present Alfred
with a son or daughter, or the
reverse may be.

My health has been most
wretched nearly the whole

Summer & I suffered so dreadfully from sickness as to render existence almost a burden part of the time.

Just as I was beginning to feel better, poor baby was taken with measles, but instead of the disease finishing properly at the end of a week or ten days, as measles usually do, on the sixth day baby broke out with a fresh & very violent eruption which caused us great anxiety & which lasted a month. The country doctor on whose skill we were forced to depend said it was a mild case of scarlet fever - I don't know what it was. At any rate our dear baby was very ill.

Just as he was beginning to get up he had a severe attack one night of spasmodic croup which was very alarming.

Altogether I had a most trying month, not with the anxiety, feeling ourselves so far from good medical skill, & the constant fatigue -

Dear baby was so good all the time, it was a pleasure to nurse him. I never saw a better tempered child.

We could not return to Paris quite as soon as we would otherwise have done, as baby was not fit to travel.

We arrived here three days ago, all delighted to find ourselves at home again.

past, so I don't think there will be any danger of his not liking the new arrival.

I am now feeling very well indeed & enjoy putting on little home in order for the winter.

Paris is looking very bright & pleasant, in spite of rather dull weather.

I am glad to hear you say you have not been exerting yourself to entertain extensively during the past year. This has no doubt been a very good thing for you & enabled you to regain your strength more rapidly. It must have been very nice having Will at home

Let me thank you now for having sent me so many delightful letters during the past few months. They have indeed been appreciated.

I am so glad you are feeling better & trust your health will soon be quite restored.

You say nothing about coming to Europe in your last letters. Just think! it will be three years next April since I have seen you. A long time indeed.

My sister Clara's plans for the future have indeed changed lately. The news of her engagement was a complete surprise to me, as I had not even heard Pittwater mentioned till Maria wrote

that he & Clara were engaged -
I can only hope it will prove
a happy match, but cannot
help feeling sorry that Clara
must go so far from us all.

It seems to be my parents
fate to be separated from their
children when they marry -

I can see by their letters
how much they feel the near
prospect of losing Clara -

Mr. Haller seems to be very
highly spoken of by those who
know him well, & Clara seems
very happy.

I don't think any plans are
fixed as to the time for the
marriage - Tomorrow will

probably write you all particulars
as soon as anything is settled.

I am delighted at the
prospect of another baby, &
Alfred is also very pleased.

Thyminie is such a darling
& gives us so much pleasure
that I can only hope the next
will be as nice as he is.

It would be very pleasant to
have a little Phoebe, but I
don't think much about the
sex so as not to be disappoint-
ed, whichever comes.

Boby has been constantly
begging me to buy him a
little brother or sister for months

know from one year to the next
what friends we shall lose.

This is the most unpleasant
part of living in a place like
Paris when people come for a
year or two & then leave.

I hope you will soon be one
of those who come, & in the
pleasure of seeing you we will
forget that the parting must follow.

Alfred joins me in love & with
every wish for your continued
improvement in health, & a kiss
from baby, ever

Your devoted
Cammie.

for a while time - I can't
save my life picture home
to my mind as a man,
but still think of him as
the boy of seventeen I saw
look in Paris. Do send me
a photograph of him if any
have been taken lately. I expect
he is a great beau, & plays
hoop with the pretty girls
Leonts with that light countenance
of his, although he doesn't quite
approve of the color.

I expect the longer Mr
Hearst puts off leaving I. I.
the harder it will be to move
him; no doubt by this time
you have given up in despair
the prospect of getting him to

Europe. Please give him my
love & tell him I think
he ought to come over, if only
to be able to compare things
on this side of the water with
California, & see which are nicer,
foreign or home manufacture, my
books among other things.

Alfred hopes you won't
think him very wanting in
faith & very troublesome if he
asks you one or two things
about the mines - Can you tell
him why they have so depreciated
in value: for from Eives & Allen's
last quotations they were in New
York on the 11th July as low as

\$20 + \$9 respectively for Oxtario
& Homestake, nearly half the
price he paid for them.

Do you think they will
recover in market value,
& are the prospects as good
as ever -

Mr & Mrs Weeks have a
charming little hotel near
us, & seem to enjoy it - Mr
Weeks is very successful -

Mrs Bridgman has just had
her third baby, born in Switzerland
to avoid I expect being here during
the great ^{heat} of summer - They have
not yet returned to Paris -

I have seen no one yet, being
too busy to think of visits -

Several of our friends have
gone to America - one never

to him - He has not shown
the least jealousy oh being
rather put aside a little, as
all older children must be
during these first weeks.

I am able to nurse
the baby entirely, having an
abundance of splendid milk,
& this is such a pleasure to
me.

I have written a great
deal about ourselves, but I
know you are interested in
this important event.

I am so very sorry to
hear from Clara that you
are not feeling strong.

Is it any new complication,
or the usual over-fatigue
which sometimes makes you
suffer? Be careful of your
strength.

112 Boulevard Malesherbes.
Paris, May 27, 1885.

My dear Mrs Hearst.

I am at last
once more able to go about
a little & to resume to some
extent my usual life.

Alfred wrote you a few
lines announcing the birth
of our little daughter, which
I hope you received.

Since then I have been
very ill & suffered a great
deal.

In my last letter to you,
enclosing another photograph
of Lorraine & which Alfred
registered, I mentioned
that I was suffering a

good deal of pain.

This was really caused by inflammation, although the doctors thought there was nothing the matter with me.

After the birth of the baby however, it was evident something was wrong & in a few days fever began & I got constantly worse.

At the end of a fortnight we changed to homoeopathic treatment, which gave me almost instant relief, & soon both inflammation & fever were checked.

I am now out of the doctor's hands & only require care to be quite well.

Am walking out every day & gaining strength rapidly. It has been an

anxious time for dear Alfred & I need not tell you how good & devoted he has been.

Our dear little daughter is a lovely child; how I wish I could show her to you! She is so fat & rosy, with a beautiful fair skin, dark blue eyes & such a pretty mouth. Her hands are quite perfect in shape.

Altogether, we are delighted with the addition to our family & feel very thankful for little Phoebe Dora.

Thyrmie is so happy to have a sister & talks to her of himself as her big brother.

Yesterday he asked her if she knew that her poor old brother had a cold. It is really most amusing to listen

the Salon with one picture, &
just above the line with the
other, which is very encouraging.

He also has a picture in the
Royal Academy -

I hope you have received
Lynn's photo.

Alfred joins me in much
love to you - I hope soon
to have good accounts of
your health - Give my love to
Mr Hearst & believe me as ever
my dear friend

Yours devotedly
Emmie -

Dear Mr. Hearst - Just a line to
add my love & to tell you that
I am sending you photos of my
Salon pictures, which I hope will
arrive safely - I am so anxious to
hear from Clara, that you have not
any intention of coming to Europe this year.
your very truly affecd

I hear Mr Hearst has greatly
enjoyed his visit East -

Does he intend remaining
much longer with you? Clara
write me a few days ago that
you had just taken an apartment
in New York, so I suppose
you will make that city
your home for some little
time - I have quite envied
Clara being so near you, &
I know it has been a great
pleasure to her meeting you
in New York. The sun is very
happy & I am sure from
what I hear that Letterson
must be a good man &
therefore with no doubt make
a good husband.

I hear Will brought a trophy
from the New Orleans exhibition
in the shape of a young

alligator, with which charming
companion he shared his own
room at college. I suppose
your sorrow at its death
was not quite inconsolable.

Our plans for the summer
are still ~~quite~~ unsettled. Alfred
thought of Switzerland a little
as he felt the entire change
of air & scene might be
beneficial to me, but I
am getting better so rapidly
that I think almost any
moderately bracing country
place will suit me.

We began to feel anxious
to get away, for the real
summer heat has come
upon us suddenly, after
a whole month of cold,
dismal rainy weather.

as unlike the traditional
Paris May as you can
imagine.

I don't suppose I shall
be able to accomplish much
this summer in the way of
painting, as baby will require
much attention, & being a very
big child will be tiresome
to nurse, & my doctor impresses
upon me the necessity of
taking great care of myself
for the next two months.

I saw our ~~once~~ friend
Madame Leubeck, ^{a few days ago,} the lady with
white hair you called on with
us before our marriage. She asked
very kindly after you as she usually
does.

You will be glad to hear
that Alfred is on the line at

I must confess I am afraid
of this dreadful disease, not
for myself but for my dear
husband & children's account.

Now let me tell you a
little about ourselves since
my last letter to you, which
I wrote as soon as I was
able to make any exertion
after my illness.

As the time drew near for
leaving Paris I felt still so
weak & unfit for any fatigue
that I dreaded even a journey
of only a few hours, & so Alfred
decided to find something near
Paris. After several days spent
in fruitless search, he at last
discovered this quiet little

Rieux, par Liancourt
Aise France
Aug. 6, 1885.

My dear Mrs Hearst.

Your long
interesting letter of May
& June gave me so much
pleasure, & I think it was
very good of you to write
me so much yourself
when you were not feeling
strong.

I heard through Clara
a few days ago, that you
had decided to remain
East during the summer
instead of going to California
as you expected when you
wrote me -

I am so pleased to hear

that Hill is developing into
such a fine man & it
must be such a comfort
& satisfaction to Mr Hearst
& yourself - I can imagine
how much Mr Hearst
will enjoy his trip to the
mines with Hill, who
takes such an interest
in these things now.

What are Hill's future
plans? does he intend taking
his father's profession & carrying
on Mr Hearst's interests later?

I hope soon to hear you
are better. I believe that great
house in S. F. with all its
cares & responsibilities would

soon have killed you, and
am sure it is much better
for you to be relieved of it
all.

I so look forward to
seeing you next year & hope
nothing will prevent your
paying a visit to Europe
unless the cholera makes
this part of the world un-
inhabitable, which seems
highly probable just now.

How frightful it is in Spain -
over 4000 cases a day, says the
"Times". It has broken out
seriously in Marseilles again,
& I expect to see it in Paris.

I feel very anxious about
my parents - it seems so near
to them, but Lisbon may
escape the epidemic -

some painting. The river scenery here is so lovely, I often find it a great temptation to begin.

Alfred is doing some very good studies of horses & has several important pictures in view.

My dear friend you say it was lovely of me to give baby your name, I assure you that if it gives you pleasure to feel she has it, it gives me far more to have a little daughter to bear your name & was among my first thoughts when I heard the baby was a girl. She is a sweet little reminder of you - not that I needed one, but often

5) spot, which seemed to offer all we wished - the only drawback being that the house was almost unfurnished. The point however that being not far from Paris, it would be possible to have what furniture we needed carted down here & this was accordingly done.

I was not able to help at all in packing or superintending the move & even Alfred had all the responsibility himself - It seemed so queer to sit by, quite inactive, & see all my own things moved about & packed by others.

My good nurse Elizabeth

did all the packing & I kept my monthly nurse to look after me & the baby - she came here with us & remained five days till we were somewhat settled & to watch that I didn't do too much.

We have such a charming place - a house not large but sufficient for our own use surrounded by a dear old garden, rather neglected, but very retired & shady & with lots of fruit.

The change & quiet, with plenty of fresh air soon began to do wonders for me & although only seven weeks since we left Paris, I am almost as well as ever -

There are only five minutes' walk from the beautiful river Oise & Alfred has hired a nice boat & takes me rowing every afternoon when he has finished work. I am learning to row while he fishes & enjoy this delightful exercise and amusement so much.

Having so much fruit I thought it a good opportunity to learn to make preserves, so have been going into jam making very extensively and successfully -

As for painting has had to be entirely neglected - I have not felt up to any regular exertion - My productions for '85 are Phoebe & Jane - However, a little later I shall be able to do

can a Mother ask for her children?
I hope Lulu may be as fortunate.
Clara seems very happy & must
have a nice husband from all
I hear - The note one of all your
kindness to her while in Brooklyn
& of your lovely presents.

Now my dear friend I have
written you a great deal about
ourselves & hope you will soon
have good accounts to give me
of your own dear self.

My dear Alfred would send
you his love were he here so I
do it for him.

With best love from myself
Always as ever

Your devoted Emmie

The return to Paris some time in October

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when I call her, your dear
face comes before me.

How I wish you could
see our lovely little Phoebe!
She is the picture of health
& good temper & so bright. Her
big dark blue eyes which
twinkle with fun already
& she has a smile for every-
body.

Although not yet four
months old, for the last three
weeks she has taken the good
habit of putting herself to sleep
at night, & after I nurse her at
7 o'clock, is tucked into her
cradle & goes off to sleep quite
by herself, sucking her fat
rosy fingers - Phoebe is of course
with me at night, & I hear

nothing ~~from~~ her till about 4
the next morning, when she
begins to grunt & wriggle & this
means that she is hungry. so
I take her into bed, nurse her
& put her back in her cradle
& she sleeps till nearly eight.

Can you imagine a better
child?

Thyrmie is delighted with
his little sister & thinks every-
thing she does so funny.

He looks at her sometimes &
says: "dear little thing!"

She likes her brother very much.
He pulls her about so sometimes
that I fear her arms & legs are
in danger, but the prouder
he is the better she likes it.

Phoebe is an immense child
for her age. I put her in short
clothes at two months old.
She looks quite double her age,
& is equally advanced in
intellect.

Thyrmie is as full of
mischief as a kitten & keeps
me busy looking after him,
for he is up to all sorts of
pranks all day long. He is
such a clever bright child &
says very amusing things.

I do indeed appreciate
my greatest of all earthly blessings,
a dear good husband & lovely
children.

Dear Grandma writes that
she finds such comfort in the
thought that her two daughters have
found such happy homes, & well
she may feel this, for what more

We have lessons every day for
half an hour & the little fellow
is making very rapid progress -
he is so quick & I know he
will have brains enough in life,
if he will only make good use
of them - It is interesting work
teaching him, though it requires
a good deal of patience.

I have done nothing as yet
to speak of in the way of painting
but the only thing I did in the
country - a study of an old well-
grown path was much admired
by Luminais & he seemed to
think it is well worth my while
to keep on painting - I have
had so little encouragement
that really sometimes I have

112 Boulevard Malesherbes.

Paris, Dec. 9, 1885.

My dearest Mrs Hearst.

I hope this will
reach you in time to wish
you a very Merry & happy Xmas,
as well as everything good in
the New Year.

It should be so good to be
able to speak all my good wishes
instead of writing them to you.

It is I am afraid, a long
time since I have sent you
a letter. My time has been so
occupied during the last few
weeks since our return to Paris,

getting the apartments in order,
the children fitted out for the
winter that I have been obliged
to neglect many things.

We feel very glad to be
at home again & are comfortable,
though rather crowded for bed-room
accommodation since Phoebe's
arrival.

I wish you could see the
little pet - she is so sweet &
the best baby you can imagine.

Always happy & bright, with a
smile for everybody.

The enclosed photograph was
taken a short time ago when
Phoebe was just seven months

old - her eyes are dark blue, skin
very fair, very red lips, & hair
light, what there is of it - she
has two teeth, of which Hyacinth
is very proud indeed & feels
constantly with his finger -

You would enjoy seeing the
children together - they are devoted
to each other & play bloody very
nicely - Hyacinth is often rather
rough in true boyish fashion,
but Phoebe seems to like it all
the better -

I am kept very busy, as
you can imagine & there is
now a new duty to perform,
that of teaching Hyacinth.

consumption, in America -

The family is now in Paris, ^{to}
+ I went to see them the
other day. Poor Mrs. Whitcomb spoke
much of Joe + said she was
bright + looked so well up to the
last.

I hope you are much better
+ enjoying yourself + that both
Mr. Hearst + Will are well.

Alfred joins me in much
love + best wishes.

Stephanie knows that Phoebe
is named after you + sometimes
he looks at your portrait + says
"that lady is Mrs. Phoebe."

I am feeling so much
stronger now.

Always your devoted
Cunnie -

I send two photos. If you think Mr.
Hearst would like one of them, please forward it
with my love.

wondered why I continue to
make the effort to paint under
the difficulties of having so many
other duties to perform. I
suppose it is because I can't
help painting.

I am doing a portrait
of Suzanne just now - it gives
promise of being a good
likeness. I mean to try one of
the baby afterwards.

Alfred is getting on splendidly
in his work he receives so much
encouragement from many
of the good artists + I have not
a doubt but what he will soon
be one of the best animal
painters.

I can see that Lammie
begins to feel proud that
Alfred in his paper, which is
a good sign, as the old man
is hard to please.

Alfred has just sold his
Royal Academy picture in
England for a fair price.

Times are so bad every
where that few artists
are selling much.

I was so pained to hear
of the dreadful calamity
which has come to my poor
Aunts. How anxious I feel for
their future I cannot express.

Your own great kindness &
generosity to them is lovely.

Dear Aunt Cornie has faced
the trial very bravely, & I trust
she will meet with success
in the difficult profession
which she has undertaken.

It seems too long that
such a calamity should have
come after such self-sacrifice
as they have exercised for
so many years. I only wish
I had it in my power to put
them above all need or anxiety.

I wonder if you heard
that Mrs. Milbourn lost her
youngest daughter a few
months ago. It must be
a dreadful trial to them all.
She poor girl died of rapid

remarks on her improved appearance.

I think she has felt very sad & lonely ever since Clara left.

Dear Mamma seems so happy with her grand children, & they fully appreciate all the petting they receive.

The very little apartment is arranged with Mamma's usual taste & looks very pretty & comfortable, & it is such a pleasure to me to see so many familiar objects about, connected with all my youthful days - constantly I come across some object, book or which brings up a thousand recollections, & I feel like embracing it as an old friend.

The lower apartment over my Father's which is very comfortable, but we all take our

69 Rua Nova de San Francisco de Paula
Lisbon, Nov. 12, 1886.

My dear Mrs Hearst.

Your very kind & welcome letter reached me here a few days after our arrival, & I was so glad to hear from you. But I cannot tell you how sorry I was to learn that your health was not good when you wrote. It was such a pleasure to us all to hear of your great improvement while in Washington last winter, & I sincerely trust that your drawback has only been a temporary one.

I meant to write you long ago, but almost ever since we arrived in Lisbon I have been suffering fearfully with

a tooth; so much that at times.
I felt quite ill from loss of
sleep & pain. Fortunately there is
a good American dentist here,
& he has been destroying the nerve
& trying to save the tooth. I don't
know yet what the result will
be or there is still great inflammation.

It is too bad to come on a
visit & have such a trying experience.

Now let me give you an
account of our joyful meeting
& reunion after so many years
of separation. We left Paris
on the 5th of Oct. for Bordeaux &
then embarked for Lisbon.

Our miseries from sea-sickness
were very great, as the nurse,
myself & the poor children were
dreadfully ill, but we felt repaid
for all when we steamed up

the magnificent Tagus & saw
Lisbon on its many hills, & looking
lovely in the morning sunlight.

Very soon dear Papa & Lulu,
with a kind friend, the Baroness
Hovort, came for us in a boat
& we went on shore, & were soon
at home.

I cannot begin to describe
to you the happiness I felt at
seeing my dear Father, Mother &
sister once more. The former
I found both looking wonderfully
well, & scarcely a day older
than when I last saw them,
which was a great comfort, as
I feared I might find them much
altered. Lulu looked delicate
& seemed far from strong, but
since we have been here she has
improved wonderfully & everyone

way in which Mr Hearst has been treated it must be felt to be a disgrace to Col. by all respectable citizens.

We shall spend some time here, but beyond that date our plans are unsettled & I don't know whether we shall return to Paris or make a longer stay in Lisbon - it depends a good deal on Alfred's work - if he can be out of doors, for having no studio, it will be difficult for him to do anything serious at home & the weather is already very cold. One feels it more as the houses are so uncomfortable & no fireplaces - we have a small stove in one room & I have been near it all day really suffering with cold.

All join me in much love to you & kindest regards to Mr Hearst & Will. Hoping soon to hear of your improved health, believe me dear Mrs Hearst, as always Yours most devotedly
Eugenie.

meals together.

Eugenie goes to a little school close by for the mornings only & he seems happy & amused among the other children. Little Phoebe is very well & jolly & everybody thinks her a well developed specimen of health & size.

We like Lisbon very much - there is great character in the streets & many subjects for pictures in the shipping, splendid ox carts & picturesque fishwomen. Alfred has made a good many nice sketches & if the weather will allow I am sure he can do a good deal during our visit here. My time has been taken up in visiting, when I felt able, & nursing my troublesome tooth.

The spent four days in Cintra with Aunt Susan, but the weather was wet & cold & we were not able to do as much as we wished in the way of sight-seeing, still we went to two or three of the principal places of interest. Mymie was with us, & greatly enjoyed the donkey rides & seeing the cork trees. He had an idea the corks grew like apples I think, & could not understand how the bark could be turned into pound corks.

There were such a good many people here, some pleasant & others not particularly interesting.

The greatest objection to the English society is the immense amount of gossip & reporting of scandal.

They all seem pleased to repeat what they hear of a person to that person. The consequence is, one body meets another most affectionately but thinking inwardly: "O! you watch for saying I looked a fright in my last new bonnet."

The only way to do is to be on ones guard with everybody.

I like the good Baron & Baroness Horvath - they are very kind & have been wonderfully devoted to my father in all his many trials here.

O! what a blessing it is for my parents to have a little home of their own. They are so much happier & independent. Their life under my Aunt's roof must have been dreadful.

Both Alfred & I were very indignant to hear of the shameful

the have spent such a happy
time here with all my dear ones -
a time to look back upon all
the rest of my life. Mamma
seems very well in health for
her & certainly her appearance
is encouraging - Lulu is not
strong. She suffers sometimes
with pain in the stomach, which
her doctor says is Neuralgia.

In consequence, Lulu has given
up meat entirely, thinking she
cannot digest it - I think this
a great mistake, but no amount
of arguing can convince Lulu
so I have given up trying -

The children are very well
& have grown very much lately.

69 Rua Nova de S. J. de Paula.
Lisbon, Feb. 28, 1887 -

My dear Mrs Hearst.

It has been
my intention for several weeks
past to write & congratulate
both you & Mr Hearst on the
happy result of the senatorial
election, in which both Alfred
& I heartily rejoice - We
send you our warmest
congratulations, & trust that
the six years you will
be called upon to reside in
Washington may be such

pleasant & profitable ones to
you both.

She watched the papers
most anxiously, & finally
Alfred's English paper announced
that Mr Hearst had been
"chosen" secretary. The thought
it must be all right from
that, but waited for further
proof, which came in good time.

Thamara wrote you some
time ago, & our good wishes are
now the less hearty though a
little late.

Your most welcome &
much appreciated letter of Dec.
28th has been received & I was
so very sorry to hear you had

suffered so much during the
last three months of your stay
in San Francisco. I sincerely
trust you are now much better.

The cure, as you see, still
in Lisbon, & very late to fix
a time for our departure.

But it must come sooner
or later & we shall probably
return to Paris some time
in April, remain there a
few weeks & then go to England
for the summer.

It is three years since I
have been there & Alfred wants to
try a summer's work on English
soil again -

resident enjoyment. We got several bouquets from them. Mamma Alfred & I were invited by the kind Baroness Thomsen to go with her in an open carriage.

These are wonderfully good people, & always thinking of making others happy.

Now my dearest friend, I will say good bye for a little time. You are now in Washington, no doubt leading a very gay life - I hope you are able to enjoy it all - Aunt Emmie wrote that she so much enjoyed her little time spent with you. How brave she is! I think it wonderful.

Alfred joins me in love to you & with my own to Mr Search & will again congratulate you, believe me as always your most devoted Emmie

Phoebe is almost out of baby-hood, much to my regret.

She talks a great deal & is a charming little girl, very much admired by all.

I am glad you received the photograph of the children, & were pleased with it.

I must thank you for the charming ever & then of remembrance you so kindly sent me.

We have been quite gay - several parties & other entertainments. I have also enjoyed the Opera very much. Some of the singers are really good & the orchestra is fine.

We have received a great deal of kindness here & have made some very warm friends -

Carnival is over & Lisbon quiet once more.

It was a novelty to me & I enjoyed all the sights common at such a time.

The streets were full of maskers & there was a great pelting of beans & "squirting" of scented water.

The prettiest part of Carnival however, was the battle of flowers which was inaugurated this year. We hear of the Queen's

desire. She certainly showed her approval of the event, for she was present nearly all the afternoon, driving up & down in an open carriage with the crown prince & his charming French wife, the Princess Amelia. A few of the carriages were beautifully decorated with flowers & all threw small bouquets into each other's carriages - it was a very gay & charming scene.

The Queen was of course the principal target & both she & the Princess returned the flower throwing with great spirit.

I am delighted to have Aunt
Charri's is perfect & as you say
gives her character so well.

Yours I like very much too.
I shall greatly prize them, as
I have no other likenesses of
you father. Please thank Aunt
Charri for coloring them so
nicely for me.

I will write soon again
to Aunt Charri in answer to
her nice letter which was
forwarded to me from Paris, &
also, thank her for the two pictures
she colored for me, which arrived
three days ago in good condition.

They are very pretty & nicely
painted & I shall always keep &
prize them as specimens of dear
Aunt Charri's work.

What a pleasure it must be
to her to resume her painting again.

Chiltington, Nr. Lewes, Sussex
England July 19, 1888.

My dearest Aunt Emma -

I have to thank
you for your two very welcome
letters, one received just before
we left Paris, & the second of
June 28th received a few days
ago.

I have been much interested
in your plan of going out
to California. It seemed to
me, considering all things, to be
a very advantageous step to
take; for although not the life
you would most enjoy, as I
can quite understand your feeling
in regard to teaching, still it
will certainly be a great blessing
to you to be able to be constantly

with dear Aunt Clara, who,
I am sure needs your presence.

The life of the theatre must
have been most fatiguing, & I
often wondered how you stood
all that exposure & loss of rest.

I am sure dear Aunt Lizzie
that to your friends & all those
who love you, the opening now
presenting itself to you will seem
to promise a much better &
healthier life than could have
been possible in the career which
you so bravely chose.

Providence seems rather
to have taken the matter into
her own hands, & perhaps you
will soon realize that it is
for the best.

As you mention in your

last letter that you & Aunt
Clara expected to leave New
York probably within a fortnight,
~~and~~ perhaps you are already on
your way to California.

I hope soon to hear of
your safe arrival & that you
have found a pleasant home in
Southern California.

Mrs. Keast is, as you say,
an angel. No one realizes it &
has more cause to do so than
I; for to her I owe all my great
blessings in life. Had she not
so generously brought me to Europe,
I should never have met my
darling, good husband.

I must now thank you
& dear Aunt Clara for the
charming photos of yourselves which

remain so near Clara. In
although she cannot see him
often, she can hear from him in
such a short time & perhaps
later she can go to New York
when the heat is over.

Clara seems to have greatly
enjoyed her trip to S. J.

I hope, dear Aunt Annie,
that you will write to me
again & tell me of your
surroundings & how you are
situated. If you do go to Calypso,
please give my love to poor Aunt
Annie & all her family. also to
any of my old friends you may
see.

The are going to move in Paris on
our return there in Oct. September -
our new address will be: 91 Avenue de Villiers.
Alfred sends love to you both & with a
large share from myself, believe me dear
Aunt Annie,
Always your affectionate niece
Emily Wood

I am so glad you like the
photos of the children. They look
so happy in the pictures because
it was such an amusement
to them to put on their little
fancy costumes, which I made
for them to go to a children's
party given on "Boardi Grass" at
the home of one of the best French
artists. I wish you both could
have seen the children in life
they looked very nice.

Phoebe is a little beauty. If she
grows up with the face she now
has she will be sure to play
honor with some young men's
hearts. But she has time to grow
very ugly before that period
arrives, so perhaps it had better
not waste any sympathy on
her prospective victims.

Thygrave is a dear little boy,

he is as good as a healthy, active
boy ought to be - I don't think
too much ought to be expected
of young specimens of the other
sex - It seems right or at least
natural that they should be
born with a good share of the
old Adam in them.

They are spending the
summer in England & are
occupying the same farmhouse
lodgings that we had last
year. It is such an nice
quiet, healthy life for us all.

The children enjoy it immensely
- have so many sources of interest
& pleasure. They often go for a
drive in a funny little low
cart or chaise, & lately the great
attraction has been the hay fields.

But everything has been spoiled
by the awful weather we have

had for the last six weeks.
It has rained on an average every
other day I should think. This has
interfered sadly with our sketching,
but we hope a change will soon
come.

Dear Lulu is going to pay
us a visit in Paris next year.

She will see the exhibition & I
hope will enjoy the change - we
are much looking forward to
seeing her. Then I hope we
shall be able to return with
Lulu to Lisbon to see dear Papa
& Maria.

So it was sad about
poor Mr Sharp's death! what a
terrible blow it must be to his
wife. I was very much shocked
to hear it.

What a fortunate thing
it is that Lillian is able to

Circle 24 Aug. 1844

Dear Mr. Wynn

Mr. Merrill has given me your queries which I have answered categorically to the best of my knowledge in the space left for replies. My wife understood from Mr. Merrill yesterday that though Miss Wynn had been registered in the British Consulate at San Francisco as a British subject she had your permission to elect to adopt United States Nationality on coming of age. Should she do so of course there would be no question of her being married at the British Consulate. As both she & her intended husband would be American Citizens. If however she had not as yet taken this step

cannot
apply to Miss Wynn

she could of course be married
at the Consulate. And her
marriage to an American
Citizen would I need not say
settle the question of her
nationality on the same side
as if she had elected to be a
United States Citizen before
the marriage. Assuming then
that she retains her British
nationality for the purpose of
being married at the British
Consulate. The only difficulty
would be the length of residence
required of her fiancé. Which
as you will see from my
answers to the queries, cannot
in any case be less than 37
or 38 days. I.e. something
over 5 weeks; one calendar
month of which must be
immediately before the notice.
This length of residence is
fixed by Act of Parliament and

is therefore essential. I fear this
information is not satisfactory.
As I fear the gentleman could
not obtain a long enough leave
to enable him to complete his
residence here. And I am very
sorry as it would have been
a great pleasure to me to have
officialled at your daughter's
marriage. Mrs. Brackenbury
and my daughter unite with
me in kindest regards to Mrs.
Dyson and your daughter.
I am yours very truly
George Brackenbury

1. Gentleman An American }
Lady born in San Francisco }
but registered at English }
Consulate.

2
Can these two be married
at the Protestant Church in
Lisbon without the ceremony
of a civil marriage?

2
No, the Chaplain would not
marry them. And the marriage
would be invalid if he did.

3
Is it necessary for the Gentleman
to reside in Lisbon previous
to the marriage?

3
In case of a marriage at the
British Consulate one of the
parties must be a British
subject. And it must be so
stated in the register. And
both parties must have

resided within the Consul's
District for one Calendar
month before notice can be
given. Seven days after notice
given, the marriage can be
celebrated.

4

Is a certificate necessary
from both the English &
American Legations or would
it be sufficient from one
or the other -

4

No notice or certificate
is necessary from either
Legation for a marriage
at the British Consulate.

Can they be married at
the English Legation by
especial license -

I have no authority to
speak as to Legation marriages

with the formalities requisite
for which I am entirely
unacquainted. Mr. Pope
however in his Report on the
Church School & for H.B.
states, and I have reason
to believe correctly stated
(at p. 79) as follows.

"I am informed that the
Foreign Office Instructions
do not allow these Legation
Marriages to be celebrated
between an Englishman
and a Foreigner."

I (B.) need scarcely add
that they cannot of course
be celebrated between
2 foreigners -

great deal, the difficulty & pain
of breathing being caused by
the fractured rib -

Luckily the improvement has
been rapid & he is up today
for the first time. Cold is the
thing to be most avoided as it
sometimes causes pleurisy -

I am rather tired after such
constant nursing -

Our Lulu too has passed a
trying week. she has been suffering
from abscesses caused by a wisdom
tooth & has had to have them
lanced twice, suffering a great
deal -

24th I am glad to tell you that Alfred is much better. Please give my
love to Mr Hearst.

I sent you a
paper a few days ago
containing a catalogue
notice of my father's
then exhibition in
Paris.

Villa Bellevue, Arcachon
Gironde. March 22nd
[1890?]

My dear Mr Hearst.

You must feel
that I have neglected you
lately. The truth is, I have
felt very much like being
lazy since we left Paris &
after the long siege of nursing
& anxiety I went through.

Let me first say how pained
we both were to hear how
ill you have been with a
complicated attack of influenza.
It is a very serious malady
when not checked at first.

I sincerely trust however, that you have before this quite recovered from all effects of this illness & are able to thoroughly enjoy the arrangement of your new home.

We should so like to know how the coffee suits the place where it is to live.

We received the cheque & your said your letter was coming in another envelope - it has never appeared however, I fear gone the way of many other letters.

I am sorry to have to give you a bad account of my dear husband. A week ago he was returning from a hunt when his horse fell & Alfred was thrown violently to the ground. As he was going very fast at the time the shock was severe & Alfred was knocked insensible, being very much bruised & slightly fracturing one rib. He got home with difficulty, being several miles away when the accident occurred.

You can imagine my anxiety & trouble at seeing him in such a condition. He suffered a

that is no objection to us, & there are some very pleasant English people who are friendly & sociable & they have all been most kind & attentive during dear Alfred's illness.

The house a delightful house, very roomy, airy & sunny & commanding splendid views of the lower town & bay of Anacora. This place is quite unique & has a charm & character of its own. The only drawback being the monotony of the pine woods. Alfred may find difficulty in getting subjects for painting, although there are delightful little drawbacks to pose. I like the pine woods & hope to paint a good deal.

I fear this is a very scrawly, untidy letter, but if you knew how many times I have been interrupted while writing it, you would understand it. Alfred & Susan from me in best love. - What is more blooming & fatter than ever. She & Susan send kisses. Hoping soon to hear from you & of your entire recovery, I am as
always your affectionate friend
Emmie

She can only take food in a soft or liquid form. It is such a pity this trouble has come as she was beginning to look herself again after her long illness in Paris.

She had intended, she & I, to leave on the 5th of April for Lisbon where I will stay a fortnight to visit my parents. This seemed my only way of seeing them at all. My father cannot possibly leave London, owing to the state of Aunt Susan's health. & when we could have gone down to Lisbon en masse it is impossible to say. So, much

as I dislike leaving my dear husband & children, I think it best not to postpone seeing my father - Mother any longer. We may, however, have to wait for another steamer.

I am thankful to tell you that this place has made the most wonderful change in Eymie. He has not had an hour's illness or indication of delicacy since we arrived, six weeks ago. The air here is splendid. The pine woods are all about us & the invigorating odour of the

resin combined with the good sea air are very efficacious in all lung & bronchial diseases, the latter especially. The lion constantly of the most wonderful cures in cases of delicate children. It is our firm opinion that Eymie ought to spend the next two or three years of his life here. Whether we shall remain here ourselves, or put him to school I don't know.

There are several good colleges in Ansohon.

This is a very nice place - quiet, but

meals with Papa & Quamma. Henry
is a fine little fellow & very bright.
He is of course a great pet with his
grandparents.

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days. All went well at home
during that time. The servants
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~~the~~ in nice order & made
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was often very lonely. He was
very good to let me go away -

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est way. Eugene too felt my being
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Yella Bellevue, Arcachon,
Gironde, June 15 1890.

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time since we have heard
anything of you & I hope in this
case that our news is good news,
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You can imagine how happy we were all together for the few weeks I spent in Lisbon - it was the first time our family had been united in twelve years. My dear Father & Mother seemed so happy to have their three daughters with them again.

Our home-coming had a very good effect on my Mother's health. She began to improve at once, &

her eyes were wonderfully better. But she is very frail & far from strong.

My dear Father I found much aged in the last three years.

This is so sad to see - one notices changes so much after several years' absence - He is still quite active but not as he was when I last saw him.

I stayed with our kind friends the Baron & Baroness Hovorth while I was in Lisbon, as my Mother's house is so small.

But I spent most of my time at home. Clara has a small apartment just opposite - takes her

here, although it is not quite the country we should choose. There is too much pine forest. This place is delightful in the Spring, but we may find it rather hot later on. However we are advised to spend the summer here on Lyman's account, as the bathing is so good - The water in the bay gets quite warm therefore the shock will not be too great for him. We have a most delightful house.

All my family in Lisbon are going to the seaside for three months & I hope this change will do them all good - my dear brother especially. He has had so many years in Lisbon without any change of air -

Now my dear Mrs Hearn, I have written you a great deal about ourselves. My only excuse for doing so is the knowledge that you take an interest in us. I wonder if you have Phoebe's portrait yet? Alfred joins me in best love to you - He would like to know if there is likely to be a further rise in "Ontario" & if "Hornblower" will resume paying large dividends. Always, my dear Mrs Hearn
your very devoted
Emmie

occupy him outside - I am thankful to say he is improving wonderfully in health. This place suits him admirably & we hope he will get quite well & strong. The sea air & pine woods seem to be very strengthening & healing to all children with weak chests.

By doing a great many gymnastic exercises for the development of the lungs, plenty of fresh air & good food I hope we may have the happiness of seeing our dear boy get well.

Phoebe is a blooming as ever & she is growing so rapidly. The

is such a good child & very anxious to learn. I teach her & Lynnie myself & devote an hour & a half to them every day.

Phoebe only studies half an hour, but she is improving rapidly & will soon read. It is amusing to see her - she takes it all so seriously & tries so hard. She looks so pretty over her writing when her fluffy hair tumbles all about her face. You would enjoy seeing her, I am sure.

Lynnie is very good too & I try to get him on as much as possible, but the doctor says he is not to be taxed in any way, so that is why I prefer teaching him

myself just now. I hope next winter he will be able to go to school here.

I missed dear Lulu so much when I came back & the house seemed quite lonely. She has had & is still having a dreadful time with a wisdom tooth, which appears to be diseased at the root.

Do you intend going out to California this summer? I hope Mr Hearst is quite well. Is there any chance of your persuading him to come to Europe? I fear he is too well satisfied where he is.

Alfred & I are painting as usual. We find plenty of things to do

improvements in drainage &c.

Dear Eymie seems to be getting on very well. he is free from cold & is active & bright, having a splendid appetite.

Although the weather here is very bad & often intensely cold, it has no effect on Eymie & he is out every day. The winter seems to be an unusually severe one everywhere. In Paris the cold is intense & skating has been going on for weeks. I feel very thankful we did not take Eymie there this winter.

We have been so fortunate as to let our Paris apartment furnished for the whole winter to friends.

Les Sables, Arzac-sur
Gironde, France Dec 16th
1890

My dearest Mrs Hearst.

I find the days have slipped by without my noticing how near Xmas was approaching & I fear my letter may not be quite in time to wish you a very Merry Christmas. You may be sure we will think of you.

I have been so sorry to hear that Mr Hearst's health has not been satisfactory lately.

I trust he improved when you got back to Washington.

I have been so terribly upset & unhappy lately about my dear Father. Lulu has perhaps already written you of the dreadful operation he had to undergo a few weeks ago on the neck - his suffering was intense as he was not allowed to take chloroform.

My poor Mother! what a trial for her to witness all this.

I know nothing of it till all was over, as my Father would not consent to my being

told, wishing to spare me as much anxiety as possible.

We moved into Arcachon a fortnight ago, as the house at Gruilleau we discovered to be in a most unsanitary condition. It is really dreadful the state of most of the houses in this place. No attention whatever is paid to good drainage, & ill people come, as we did, & live in such unhealthy places. I am sure it must often undo all the good they derive from the pine forests.

The house we have is quite new & has many modern

How very generous you have been in giving Lulu such a beautiful trousseau. I hope she may be well & able to enjoy wearing all her pretty things.

I hope you will send me photos of your lovely rooms. By the way, have you received Thelma's portrait by Mr. Vornish?

We have arranged a bedroom in this house as a studio & both work a great deal. Alfred has plenty of studies made during the summer & will paint some pictures. I am doing forest subjects from the windows, for we are surrounded by pine forests.

From my dear friend, I will say adieu, with warmest love & best wishes for a Happy New Year - in all of which Alfred & the children join. Give my love to Mr. Heath. Hoping soon to hear from you, believe me
Always yours devotedly
Emmie.

It is such a blessing to us in our present very cramped financial condition. We had an inexpensive house here & I have dismissed our servant.

If it is a possible thing, I am very anxious to go to Lisbon, or rather Centra, in the Spring, for a few months.

My dear Father's critical state of health makes me long to be near him. Lisbon is not a healthy city & Alfred is not willing to take Thymie there, but we might stop in Centra & my Aunt's house ^{there} is at our disposal.

As you know, dear Lulu leaves

Lisbon on the 30th of this month
& will go direct to Liverpool -
Clara's husband is expected
in Lisbon today. What a joyful
meeting that will be, after such
a long separation.

I hope we may get a glimpse
of my brother-in-law at Bor-
deaux as they take a steamer
which stops there en route
for England. I wish they could
all come & pay us a little visit
here, but it seems impossible
for them to do so.

My dear husband has had
some encouragement in his

painting lately - The London firm
of Goupil (~~Goussard~~, Valadon
& Co) has taken interest in Alfred's
work - sold two of his pictures
a few weeks ago & asked him
to send them five more.

His pictures are received at
all the exhibitions & he sold a
large picture at the "Institute"
in London a few days ago -

This is encouraging - I fancy
Alfred may have some success
when we settle in London - this
we have decided to do as soon
as Wynnie's health enables us
to go North for the winter -

be much grown - looking very well. Thymie has improved greatly during the winter at Acrechou + the doctors say he will now get quite strong + well, + will be able to go to school in England next winter. This is a great relief to our minds.

We are all stopping with the Baron + Baroness Hornth, who are among the dear kind people one sometimes meets with in the world, who always think of others.

Next week we intend moving to Cintra, where all will

Lisbon, Feb. 19th 1891.

My dearest Mrs Hearst.

We were both impressibly shocked to hear of Mr Hearst's very serious illness + we have thought so much of you in your great trouble + anxiety. The news reached me the day before we left Acrechou, + on our arrival in Lisbon, a week ago, we found letters from Lulu + Clara, giving a more hopeful

account of Mr. Heath.

We all wait anxiously for further news of him.

Lulu said that you were taking as much rest as you could + were not feeling quite so tired when she last wrote. The strain + anxiety must be very great.

Lulu gives the most enthusiastic accounts of your lovely home. + with the aid of the fine photographs you have sent to Mamma, we have been able to form quite a good idea of your

house.

It is such a happiness to me to be with my dear Father + Mother, + they seem so glad to have us all. I find my Father looking wonderfully well, better, I think, than when I was here last year. Mamma also looks well, for her, + seems so much stronger since her trip to the sea-side last year. Her eyes are much better.

Myrtle + Phoebe are so happy to be with Grandpa + Grandpa. They are thought to

occupy my Aunt's house for
the next two or three
months. Cintra is looking
lovely now & will be very
pleasant I think. Dear
Papa & Mamma will come
sometimes to see us there
& I will come to Lisbon,
so we will often meet.

It seems so strange not
to find dear Lulu here. I
am glad for her sake she
is not; the complete change
of scene will greatly benefit
her, & I know, if she is able

to be of any assistance to
you in this trying time, it
gives her great happiness &

Aunt Susan seems very
feeble & helpless; I find a
great change in her since
last year.

Alfred joins me in much
love & every sincere wish for
dear Mr Hearst's recovery.

I must not forget to thank
you for the charming calendar
you so kindly sent me.

Thyminie & Phoebe send love
to you.

Always, dear Mrs Hearst

Yours devotedly
Emmie

Alfred will be so grieved when he hears of your sorrow, so I can add expressions of his heartfelt sympathy to my own.

Give best love to dear Lulu - It must be a comfort to you to have your son near you. Please remember me to him & give him my sympathy.

Always your very devoted
Cousin.

Our address is: Arrabalde, Coimbra
Portugal -

69 Rua Nova S. Francisco de Paula
Lisbon, March 1, 1891.

My dearest Mrs Hearst.

It is with the deepest sorrow that I have just heard of the death of dear Mr Hearst. Your cable to Mamma came this morning & when it was brought in, we all feared it might contain the sad news, which we found only too true on opening it.

You know, my dearest friend, how truly we all feel for, & grieve with you in this dark hour.

The only comfort is to feel that the dear sufferer is at rest, after such long weary weeks of pain.

I only trust your own health has not been too much affected by your great anxiety & fatigue.

You will indeed need rest & quiet after all is over. We shall be with you in spirit during the next few days. My dear husband does not yet know of your loss, for he is in Cintra, where we moved on the 26th. I only came up yesterday with Papa to spend the night at home & return to Cintra this evening.

We wonder whether Lulu was with you at the last. In her letters, received two days ago, she was on the eve of her departure for Florida & expected to be away twelve days. She would wish to be near you at such a time & I hope is so.

You can imagine what a happiness it is to me to be near my dear parents. Although living now in Cintra, we can often meet & the air there is better

for the children. Hyacinth has not suffered in the least from the change of climate since leaving Acashou. He is looking better than he has done for over two years & seems gaining steadily in strength. The doctors say he will ~~now~~ become quite well & strong. This favorable report is so comforting.

Phoebe was not well before we left Lisbon & had some fever. I am glad to get her into the country.

We hope to remain in Cintra till some time in May, when we go to England to put Hyacinth to school somewhere in the country & then intend to take a small house near him where we can watch over him.

It is our intention to settle permanently in England now, if Hyacinth can stand the winter there.

Now my very dear friend, adieu.

questions to ask Lulu about
you. It seemed almost like
having a glimpse of you dear
self, being able to talk to one
who had so recently been
with you. I found dear Lulu
greatly improved in health &
in every way, by her visit
to you. She showed me all
the beautiful presents you made
her & we talked often of all
your great kindness.

Alfred's two sisters have
been staying here for two
months & they attended
to everything & looked after
Nymmi while I was away.

The last visit I paid to
Sheffield I took Phoebe
with me.

Mrs. Elias
Mrs. A. Elias

Holborough, Newton Abbot
Devonshire. Oct. 26 '91

My dearest Mrs Hearst.

I have allowed
too long a time to elapse
without writing to you.

Since last I did so, I hear
you have returned to your
home in Washington for a
short time. I hope you
found all in a satisfactory
state. It must have been
sad returning to the spot
where you had so recently
witnessed suffering & death.
But no doubt these painful
impressions have become less

vivid, surrounded as you
probably now are in your
beautiful home with cheerful
companionship & associations.

Since I wrote to you,
I have been twice to Sheffield
to see my poor dear Father.

It was only a mournful
pleasure to me, as I had
to witness his great suffer-
ing, both mental & physical.

He is indeed to be pitied
with this terrible malady
upon him. His patience
& courage under it all are
wonderful to see, but some-
times even he faints by the
wayside & feels his load too

heavy to bear.

I don't know what to think
of the treatment he is following.
Whether it can reach a case
so far advanced as my
poor Father's I know not.

The doctor is greatly in-
terested in the case & is
using all his skill to try
& combat the disease. I must
confess I have very little
hope of any good result.

Dear Lulu is such a comfort
to Papa. She tries to cheer & amuse
him with her music & in a
measure succeeds & makes
the time pass less drearily
for him - I had so many

Dear Am Heart - Is it too much to ask? My dear husband joins me in
warmest love to you - the children would send love also, were they
not so busy. As always, dear Am Heart - Yours affectionately
E. J. G. M.

spare the time from other
duties. My work is a great
comfort & pleasure to me, now
that we have to live such
quiet lives. There are some
nice people living here, but
very little in the way of art
appreciation or knowledge among
them, I fancy.

My poor dear Mother has
passed through a very trying
time of loneliness & anxiety -
I fear she is in a very bad state
of health. My father says that
unless some decided change
for the better occurs in his condi-
tion, he will soon return to
Lisbon.

I sincerely hope your health
is now quite restored. I cannot
tell you what a pleasure it is to me to
possess those splendid photographs of your
home. I look at them & fancy I can see
you walking about in the beautiful rooms.
Many thanks for them. I should so much like
to have one of those splendid large photographs of

We are leading a quiet
life in our country home.
I think we shall be
happy here when we have
a house of our own - are
surrounded by our pictures,
furniture & other little
treasures. For the next
nine months we must
remain in this furnish-
ed house as we took it for
a year.

Thyrmie, I am thank-
ful to say, is growing
to be quite a strong boy.
His lungs are now pronoun-
ced sound. You can under-
stand what a comfort

this is to us, & makes up
for many worries & anxieties
we now have in other ways.

Phoebe is very well & is
the picture of health, with
such bright eyes & rosy cheeks.

There is a splendid boys
college here which Wynnie
attends as a day boy - he is
thoroughly happy & is study-
ing so well.

Phoebe has a daily over-
ness, but we may decide
to send her to school
for a few hours each day.

I think she would greatly
enjoy the companionship

of other little girls - it is
rather lonely for her since
Wynnie has been going to
school.

I enclose some extracts
from Exeter papers on the
subject of an exhibition
which Alfred is holding
in that city, of some
of his pictures & sketches.

The exhibition looks very
well & has attracted a good
deal of attention. I am
sorry to say however, that
very few have been sold.

This may come in time.

I paint whenever I can

my indisposition -

I write you that we had chosen a house & only waited for the drains to be examined. They are reported to be unsatisfactory, but I fancy the landlord will do what is required to put them right -

With our united best love & many, many thanks, believe me as always, dear
Mrs Hearst,

Yours devotedly

Emmie.

I hope you will receive my letter sent a few days ago to Washington
D.C. This may just reach you before you
sail.

7 Robertofield Place
Foubridge, Kent.

May 13, 1892

My dearest Mrs Hearst.

Both Alfred
& I are deeply touched
by your kind letter
of sympathy, received
yesterday from my
dear Mother.

It is indeed comfort-
ing to feel we

have the kind sym-
pathy of so dear a
friend, & helps us in
these troublous times.

We thank you most
sincerely for your very
generous wish to
assist us, & when I
see you, I will talk
over our affairs with
you.

I have a plan of
teaching painting here,

by which I hope to give
my dear husband some
help, now that there
is need of it.

Alfred would, of course
be glad to teach also,
but he hopes to make
use of his knowledge
in another way -

Dear Phoebe, I am
sorry to say, is not
very well, but I hope
it may only prove a pass-

To many thanks for the nice
skirts you have given me -
for the pretty light dress for
Phobe - it will make her a
charming winter suit -

I expect you are all
thoroughly enjoying Paris &
all its sights -

I think you told me your
address is care ~~London~~ the Anglo
Californian Bank, London -

As you told me you intended
sending a cheque to Alfred with
your key, I only wish to tell you
that it did not come, in case
there is any mistake about it -

Harmest love from us all,
My dear Mrs Hearst, & very kind
regards to all your party.

I am as ever
Yours devotedly
Emmie

Dry Hill Tonbridge
Kent. June 27, 1892

My dearest Mrs Hearst.

I hope
you will forgive me for
not having written to
you sooner, as I fully
intended doing, to express
our appreciation of all
your kindness to us, &
to tell you how much
we all enjoyed our de-
lightful visit to you.
The children have

talked a great deal of it
ever since -

We have had a very
hard, fatiguing week -

Our furniture was arriv-
ing for three days & since
then, we have been try-
ing to get settled - It
seems almost an end-

less task, the house
being in the greatest
confusion from top to
bottom - However, we are
working steadily & in
time I suppose things will

fall into their proper places.

Our house is really very
nice, & quite wonderful I
consider for the small
rent we pay - It will
look very pretty I think
when all in order -

Clara has another boy, the
the child were doing well
when I last heard.

Littleton^{jr.} is very pleased with
the baby, he told the nurse
he had ordered a girl but
a boy would do -

Your trunk & key arrived -

I hope you are thoroughly enjoying your trip. I have been thinking of you as being at Bayreuth during the past few days - am I right?

I have been confined to my bed for a fortnight with an attack of fever - not very severe, but very persistent.

I am still in bed & may have to remain there for some time longer. It is such a disappointment, as I was looking forward to some out-of-door painting after I got the house in order.

I hope you have received my letters.

Alfred & Thobe give me in much love. Thobe is better - has been away for a week visiting an aunt of Alfred's. Myra has gone there now & Thobe is at home. With kind remembrances to all - the rest of your party, believe me, dear Mrs Hearst always yours devotedly Emmie.

Ory Hill, Fourbridge
Kent. Aug. 13, 1892.

My dearest Mrs Hearst.

You have no doubt already heard of the death of our dear Aunt Clara, on the 12th July.

She was so helpless that we cannot but feel she is happily released, but it is sad losing her. Poor Aunt Emmie! she is, I know, terribly grieved, & I am alone

can reconcile her to the loss of her dearly-loved sister, who has been the object of her tender care for so long - Ah First Aunt Emma's life will seem a blank to her, but I trust that she will gradually find other objects of interest, & perhaps be able to find more amicable congenial surroundings than have been possible for her during the past few years

of her life -

My dear Mother is of course much grieved, but she feels it is best to have her sister taken before she became entirely helpless - My Mother's first news of her loss came to her through the notice in the Examiner - It was a shock, & I think a letter must have been lost, for some of the family in S. F. would surely have written her of the death of Aunt Clara.

delighted with it. Alfred found
he could get two dresses for the
very liberal amount you gave
me, so the second dress is
a nice warm winter material
of Phoebe's usual blue, made
in the same way as the white
one. These are two very useful
additions to her wardrobe, for
which I sincerely thank you.

Alfred works hard, when not
interrupted by my wants &
demands upon his time - The
summer has been very fine, &
I have been in a state of mind
bordering on desperation to have had
to lie in bed during these weeks of
splendid summer weather - so no
painting! I told Alfred of the fever
could only have put itself off till
winter, I shouldn't have minded it.
Alfred & the children give me in much
love, - with kind regards to all your party.
believe me, dear Mrs Hearst, yours ever devotedly
Emmet

Dry Hill, Toubridge.
Aug. 30, 1892.

My dearest Mrs Hearst.

When I last
wrote to you, about a fortnight
ago, I think, I was suffering
from an attack of fever.

This tiresome trouble has
gone on for such a length
of time. It seems to be a
sort of low fever, accompan-
ied by daily chills. It is
now over four weeks since
I went to bed.

The fever has nearly gone,
but I still have chilly sen-
sations every day, showing that
the malaria or blood poisoning
has not yet quite left my
system. I think I was quite
run down in health & it took
very little to bring on this ill-
ness.

I get up for a few hours now
every day & even change the
room, & as soon as I am
strong enough, Alfred intends
taking me to the sea side
for a little time, as I fear
I may remain weak &
useless for months unless

I get a change of air.

I hope you are very well
& thoroughly enjoying yourself.

I trust you are nowhere
near the cholera. How sad
this outbreak of the dreadful
malady is. Let us hope it
may soon be overcome.

Phoebe has her pretty dress
from Liberty's, which you so
kindly gave her. He had
intended taking her ^{to town} up, & the
very much I became ill, so
Alfred had to do the shopping
alone. He chose a soft creamy
white dress, all smocked in
true Liberty style. Phoebe is

to America.

I am glad to hear from my dear Mother that she hopes to come & pay us a visit before she returns to Lisbon. The children are very excited at the prospect of seeing her & Aunt Lulu.

We had a very pleasant visit from Mr Milburn a few days ago. I found him very little altered in the twenty two years since I last saw him. He talked much of you.

The children give me in warmest love to you. Please remember me to Will & to your friends -

Hoping that we may soon meet, believe me, my dear Mrs Hearst,

Always your most devoted

Annuel -

Dry Hill, Fombredge
Kent, Oct. 27, 1892.

My dearest Mrs Hearst,

By this time you have had a meeting with my dear Mother, & what a joy it has been to her I well know.

Oh! what a blessed change it is to her, after so sad a life as she has had. I cannot tell you how thankful I feel to you for so kindly arranging this pleasure for her & Lulu.

I hope they are looking fairly well, & have not felt the cold too much, coming from

so mild a climate.

I hope that you will have enjoyed your visit to Spain. The festivities must have been very interesting.

As you expect to leave for America the middle of November, I fear we shall have but a fleeting view of you on your way through London.

I am now quite well again & able to paint a good deal. I have two garden pictures well placed at the "Institute" in London.

Tomorrow I begin teaching a lady who ^{is} coming to paint

with me in my studio, & I hope that other pupils may follow.

My dear husband is away at Newmarket, where he has gone to make some studies of race horses. Neither of us like the separation, but he thinks it may eventually lead to some lucrative work.

The children are well & happy & very busy at school. I think they are both improving in their studies.

You must have seen a great many interesting things during your travels & will have much to think of when you return

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poor farmers - Alfred & I are
doing as much painting as
possible -

We received the cheque from
Eves & Allen yesterday, for
which we send our heartiest
thanks - You are really too good
to us, dear Mrs Hearst, & the dif-
ference it makes in our lives

I can perhaps scarcely express to
you - The children are well & they
& Alfred join me in best love -

The often talk of our delightful
visits to you - I send this to Eves
& Allen as I don't know your address,
I will write again after I have seen my mother

Dry Hill, Fourbridge -

June 26, 1895 -

My dearest Mrs Hearst.

I have
waited for the last few days
to write to you, as I hoped
to see my Mother before doing
so, & thus be able to give you
a little news of her. She &
Lulu arrived last Sunday.

Ever
truly
yours
Edith

Always
your
devotedly
Edith

but I have not yet seen
them, as they asked me to
wait till they got settled
in London before I went
up. So I did, ~~and~~ we are
going to spend a day or two
with them at the end of this
week - They had a very good
passage & my Mother was not
very ill -

I hope you enjoyed your
stay in Paris & found Will

in good health. I trust you
are feeling better yourself
& do not overtax your
strength. Perhaps you are
now taking your Mother's
voyage. I forget the date
you told me for your departure.

We are having the most
lovely weather, but there is
not a drop of rain, & the
fields are looking bare &
brown - it is sad for the

and of former years -

The children are very well - Phoebe is greatly excited over a little play which is to take place at her school in a few weeks - it is to be taken from "Alice in Wonderland", Phoebe is to be Alice -

Now my dear Mrs. Hearsh I will say good bye - Alfred & the children are out, but I send much love from them all with mine - they are very happy & comfortable & working hard - I hope you will rest now that you are at home.

Eives & Allen write to ask what they should do with my picture, as it came too late to go with your things - Alfred advised them to communicate with you on the subject.

Always yours most devotedly

Wm. Allen

Dry Hill, Fourbridge -

Nov. 17, 1895 -

My dearest Mrs. Hearsh -

We looked in

the papers anxiously for the notice of the safe arrival of your steamer, & a few days later, Alfred received a note from Eives & Allen, informing us of the fact & stating you were all well - This news gave us much pleasure - I trust you feel all the better for your rest on board - I know

you always can rest as you are not
sick, & people cannot reach you to bother
you - We so very much enjoyed the
few hours we all spent near you in
London, & thought you were so very
kind to have us, when you were
quite overwhelmed with all the things
you had to do in two days - I assure
you no one could have appreciated
it more than we did - My dear
Mother too, was so happy, & I am
sure she will very often think of
the valued talks she had with you.

I spent the last two days with
her in London, & Alfred & I saw her

& Lulu off on Friday morning - It
made me very sad to say good bye,
for at my Mother's age the future may
always be uncertain, at least there
is more danger - Just as they sailed,
a terrible storm of wind & rain
began, & it has blown a gale almost
ever since, so I fear they must
have had a very rough voyage, at
least in the beginning - Luckily
it is not a long trip, & they ought to
arrive tomorrow (Monday) morning -
Mamma & Lulu saw a good deal of
Orrie Peck while he was in London &
much enjoyed renewing the old acquaint

Dry Hill, Tourbridge
Nov. 26, 1895.

My dearest Mrs. Hearst -

I think Lulu
told me that your birthday
came early in December, &
I send a few lines to express
our good wishes for many
happy returns of the day.

I hope you are feeling much
better, & have been able to get

Deco. 27/12/95
Mrs. Hearst.

Mrs. Hearst

a good rest since your return
to America -

I wrote to you a few days
ago, so there is not much to
tell you about ourselves. The
children are well -

I have heard from Lisbon
of the arrival of my dear Mother
& Lulu. They had a bad passage
unfortunately, & I am afraid my
Mother has been rather upset
by it.

They are having colds

weather & it feels like winter.

Alfred & the children give me
my warmest love & best wishes.

The hope Annie & Agnes are
well. Phoebe sends them her love.

Always, dear Mrs. Hearst,

Yours devotedly
Emmie -

Phoebe was wondering whether you often have that delicious duck of the "Tour d'Argent"

in Paris -
- are now quite well -
I am sure you will be glad to hear that I have an order to paint the portrait of a young girl here - The picture is to be the size of the one you have, & I am to get \$75 - it is not a very big price, but it is such good practice & may bring other work - We have also sold a few small pictures lately - Alfred has painted some very nice ones during the winter -
Phoebe sends love to Agnes - Annie is, I suppose, still in Boston -
We all send you our best love & thanking you for your continued great kindness to us. Always yours devotedly
Cammie -

Dry Hill, Toubridge -
March 8, 1896 -

ANSWERED
Mrs. E. Elias
APR 15 1896

My dearest Mrs Hearst -
Your kind letter, telling me of the safe arrival of my picture, reached me some time ago - I feel very pleased & flattered that you should have it in your music room, & am so glad you like having it -

I have been trying to write to you for some time, but have been so occupied & fatigued, as the children have both been ill.

Thyus had one of his bronchial attacks, which, happily, are now rare, & he was away from school for three weeks, only going back yesterday. Poor little Phoebe has been very miserable for nearly a month with what I think must have been influenza, & during this time she had

had several separate attacks of heavy cold & fever. The last relapse was quite serious & we feared a bad illness, which luckily, has passed off, & after being in bed for some days, she got up yesterday & seems none the worse for it. I must be very careful of her for some time, however. We were so very sorry to hear you had also been suffering from the "grip", but I hope you had no return of the trouble

Alfred & I did a fair amount
of work while we were away.

It is pleasant being in our
own home again, especially as
the weather is very wet &
stormy. The children have just
commenced school, after the long
Summer holidays - they both look
very well. I send you photos of
myself & Phoebe, which were taken
a few weeks ago.

We all send our best love to you,
& Phoebe sends a special share to
Auntie & Agnes -

Always, dear Mrs Hearst,
Yours devotedly
Emma -

Dry Hill, Fourbridge -
Sept. 23th 1896.

My dearest Mrs Hearst.

Alfred & I
received your kind letters of
Aug. 7th while we were at Alder-
burgh - We are very glad to hear
how much you are enjoying
your charming California home.
The complete rest & quiet which
you find there must be of
the greatest benefit to you.

After the innumerable calls upon your time & strength which you always have to support in larger places, it must be a great relief to put yourself beyond the reach of all. I am sure the Spanish house must be charming.

They are very pleased to hear the Collier has turned out so well & that you like having him.

I am glad your son's health is better. What a fine thing his paper will be & it must

be a source of great satisfaction to you as well as to your son that in spite of all the opposition he had to contend with, the "Journal" is making its way.

He returned to Cambridge on the 18th having spent some weeks very pleasantly at the sea-side.

My dear Mother very kindly sent us a nice little sum for this purpose. The children both had friends where we were, which added greatly to their enjoyment.

I send you a photo of Phoebe or Titania. The margin had to be cut, as the P.O. would not take it.

ago from America that you were coming to Europe. I only hope it is true.

We were so pleased to receive the Easter number of "The Journal", thank you for sending it to us. It is a very fine publication, & the illustrations are excellent. Your son must employ the best talent. I hope the paper is succeeding as well as it deserves to do.

My dear Mrs Hearst, adieu - The children join me in best love -

I am that the Spring has come, Phoebe is constantly on her bicycle. She has some friends who ride, so she goes with them & so much enjoys it. Myra has not much time during the term.

Always yours devotedly
Emmie.

Dry Hill, Tonbridge -
May 26, 1897.

My dearest Mrs Hearst -

I wrote you last I think, from the sea-side, where we spent a few days during the children's holidays. We are now at home again & all busy -

Alfred has been in France for a fortnight. he went to Paris, expecting to meet a friend who had invited him to travel with him in Germany.

Unfortunately this friend was taken seriously ill, & could not travel,

so this pleasant trip has not taken place. However, Alfred has gained a good deal from seeing all the good pictures in Paris & he stopped on the way through France in a charming part of the country, where he has made a great many sketches & hopes to use them for future pictures. He will return home on June 1st

I have lately finished a miniature portrait - it is so much liked that I have been asked to paint a duplicate of it for another member of the family. This is very encouraging.

If a few more orders come, I will raise my price, but one must be satisfied with a little in the beginning in order to tempt people to try it, especially in this small place. I ask only £5 - Still, it is better than nothing -

There is so much to see in London just now - I thought of you & wished you were with me when I went to exhibitions. The loan collection at the Guild Hall is very good - it is composed of pictures which have been painted during Queen Victoria's reign.

We heard a rumour some time

arranged for strangers & their needs.
One soon becomes accustomed to the
roughness, however, & the cooking is good.
It is amusing watching the carriages
arriving & departing, chiefly full of
Germans & Austrians & one sees very
funny people. They are the only people
staying permanently in the inn, which
is very nice. They have our meals on
a little verandah, overlooking the lake
& the grand snow mountains beyond,
exactly when we like. They have a
splendid view of the Ortlöcher Spitz
range, the highest mountains of the
Austrian Tyrol & I don't think we have
ever seen anything finer in Switzerland.

St. Valentin auf der Haide
Tyrol, Austria. July 27, 1899.

My dearest Mr. Hearst.

Here we are, all
comfortably settled for a time in this
lovely place. We left England on the
12th & after a very good crossing &
not too fatiguing journey, we came
as far as Zurich, where we stayed
an hour or two, & drove about to
see the charming situation of the
town on the lake. We then took the
train to Thun, a very pretty little
Swiss village, where we spent the
first night & had a good rest.

It was delightful finding ourselves in the lovely mountains once more. The following day we went on to Landeck, a very picturesque place in the Tyrol, but rather noisy & shut in. There we stayed two nights, so that Alfred could make enquiries as to places which might be suitable for us. We then came on here by coach, about eight hours drive from Landeck, through the most beautiful mountain scenery. It was an interesting journey, stopping at the post inns on the way. The drivers of the diligences & carriages are all in uniforms of blue or grey, trimmed

with bright orange & they have feathers in their hats. We went down the mountain roads at a great pace & I felt rather nervous, but Alfred said the horses were very sure-footed & quite accustomed to their work. St. Valentin is a charming little village on the border of a beautiful little lake, the Haide see. We are stopping at the post inn, where all travellers come for refreshments & sometimes a night, on their way to & from the places in the higher alps. One does not find quite the comfort in the Tyrol that there is in Switzerland, where the pensions are everywhere

lovely home. You must feel glad to get back to it, after your long absence. I hope you found Agnes quite restored to health. Alfred tried to settle on a house before we left England, but he could not come to satisfactory terms in regard to those we liked - thought suitable so we will find one on our return in September.

I have written to Aunt Belle - told her I hoped she would go to Lisbon, so I trust Grandma will be satisfied about that matter. She wants her sister-in-law in her own house with her, next winter. Your dearest Mr. Hearst, I will say good bye for the present. Alfred & Phoebe join me in best love to you - so many thanks for all your kindness. Always yours devotedly
Emmie.

land. The effects are most beautiful & ever-changing & the charm is enhanced by the whole being reflected in the lake below.

I am painting the view in various effects, although it is a most difficult subject. Myron has boating, fishing, bathing, climbing & a little shooting, so he is well occupied & is most thoroughly enjoying himself. Both he & Phoebe look so well, they have splendid appetites, in fact we all do. Phoebe rows a good deal on the lake & enjoys it so much. She is studying German very diligently

↳ has already learned a good deal, for nothing else is spoken by anyone in the house. I feel rather helpless to find myself suddenly dumb, but Alfred speaks German, so he does the ordering. Nym knows the grammar very well, as German was one of the subjects he took for the Sandhurst examination & he will very soon become familiar with the language, hearing it spoken so much.

Phoebe means to learn German & I am sure she will do a good deal while we are here. The peasant people

are so nice, it is interesting living amongst them as we do here & seeing them at their work. The haymaking has been going on & is very pretty. The dear little cows draw the hay carts & look so pretty. Alfred & I spend nearly all our time painting. We shall stay here for some time & then move elsewhere, so that Nym can see a little more before he returns to England. Alas! he must leave us about the 11th of August. We shall miss him so much. I hope you had a pleasant journey out to California & are now enjoying your

We are still in lodgings, although
we hoped to be settled in our
new home long before this, ~~but~~

If we are able to move in a few

days before Xmas, it is all we
can expect. However, it will be
so nice when we are there & all
in order that we must not mind
the delay - The final arrangements
before signing the lease, have been
complicated, owing to the fact
that the landlord is building a
studio for Alfred in the back
garden, this is only just commenced

8 Warwick Gardens
Hensington W. Dec. 9, 1899.

My dearest Mrs Hearst.

I send a few lines
to wish you, from us all, a very happy
Xmas - New Year. I hope you are in
good health & able to enjoy everything
just as I know you like to do. I
heard from my Aunt Emma that you
intend spending the Winter in Berkeley.
How much you will enjoy that. I
wonder if any of the new buildings

Mrs. Hearst

have been commenced yet - We have
been most interested in reading
the books you have so kindly sent
us, giving a full description of
this magnificent plan for the
University. What a grand place it
will be one day! The natural beauties
are so great, that nothing will be
lacking to make it as perfect a
seat of learning as it is possible
to imagine. How fortunate those
students will be, who are permitted
to pass some years of their lives
in this charming spot, enjoying

at the same time the finest educa-
tional advantages which the World
can give. This is a great work,
dearest Mr. Heath, & one worthy
of all the care, time & attention
which I know you are bestowing
upon it. We are so glad to
see the very nice portrait of
yourself in the architectural
book. The dress & whole arrange-
ment are charming - the only
thing I don't like about it is
that your dear eyes are not
seen enough.

hours a day. I watch her carefully & make her rest if I notice signs of fatigue.

Wynn is still in Uganda & seemed well & happy when we last heard from him, but he is anxious to get back to Somaliland, now that fighting is about to begin there again. Luckily, I don't think there is much chance of his doing so.

That beautiful plum coloured poplin dress you sent me has just been arranged for the winter with just a little alteration in the bodice & sleeves. It will be most useful to me & is so handsome. Thank you so much for it.

I expect it will be some time before this letter reaches you, as it has to go out to California first.

Alfred & Phoebe join me in best love & in many good wishes for your birthday.

Always, dearest Mrs. Hearst,
Yours devotedly,
Ermie

16 Warwick Gardens,
London, Nov. 8, 1903.

My dearest Mrs. Hearst.

I am afraid it is some time since I wrote to you. I have often wished to do so, especially since receiving the announcement you kindly sent us of your niece's marriage. I am sure this is an event which gives you pleasure, although perhaps not unmixed with sadness, as Annie will now have many other duties & calls upon her time. We all send our warm con-

gratulations on the event & wish Annie
much happiness.

I saw Miss Peck not long ago, & she
told me of the delightful trip you
are now making with some friends.

How you will enjoy India! it must
be a wonderful country - I am
sure you will derive much pleasure
from your travels.

I do hope, dearest Mrs. Heard, that we
shall have the happiness of seeing you
in England on your way back to
America. It is more than four years
now since we last met.

We are settled at home again after

an absence of a few weeks during Phoebe's
holidays. I have had so much trouble with
servants during the last few weeks since
our return, but hope now we may have
some peace. They are very hard to get in
England, especially in London - I find
them very independent & careless, on
account of the demand for them. It is
a pity we have not a few Chinese over
here, although I must say I prefer having
white women about me.

My dear Mother has been in very feeble
health during the autumn, but I am
glad to say she now seems much stronger.

Phoebe is very pleased with her new
piano master & practises just as much
as her strength will allow, about five

Hotel Brüning, Switzerland

Aug. 16, 1904.

This hotel is very full, which seems to be the case with every mountain place in Switzerland & I think we are fortunate to have found rooms.

The first two nights we had to sleep outside in a horrid noisy chalet.

The post office at Engelberg has failed to forward our letters, so Alfred telegraphed about them today & I expect we will receive them tomorrow, as they have been sent off. I hope yours will be amongst them.

We all send you our best love.

Ever, dearest Mr. Hearst,

Yours devotedly

Emilie.

My dearest Mr. Hearst.

Alfred wrote to you the day after we arrived here & I now send you a few lines, which I hope will reach you before you leave Marienbad.

We all like this place very much & are enjoying ourselves immensely. The hotel is very pleasant, with airy sitting rooms & broad verandahs, where we sit a good deal & spend the evenings.

Mr. Hearst

The grounds are pretty, with plenty of shady seats - there is a lovely wood quite near, where the walks are not too steep. Although no snow can be seen from the hotel, the mountain scenery is fine.

We were so sorry to hear your departure from Maricubad had been postponed, at least for our own sakes, but I hope the benefit you have received from the treatment is great - that you will derive much good health in consequence.

We want you to come so much - are looking forward to the 24th - Yesterday Nym had a good climb - had a splendid view of snow mountains. He has had a good deal of practice in mountaineering with the Gorkhas in India. This fine air will give him so much strength before he returns to Africa.

I expect Maricubad has been very gay since the King went there, as probably many people are attracted to the place on that account.

but you may like to have it. I also
send in the same packet some of the
photographs he took during our travels
& which he ordered to be printed for
you.

Wynn must be at his destination
by this time & I hope he is well &
happy. It is sad to realize how very
far away he is, & the impossibility of
seeing him soon again.

We often think & talk of that lovely
time spent in Switzerland & when we
look at all the pretty postcards you
gave Phoebe, & which she has arranged
in a book, they bring everything back
very vividly.

Alfred & Phoebe join me in best love.
Always yours devotedly
Emmie.

16, WARWICK GARDENS,
KENSINGTON.

Oct. 19, 1904.

My dearest Mr. Hearst.

I do hope you are
now quite well again & have no more
trouble from the inflammation in
your eye. I am afraid this must
have caused you a good deal of
suffering. For you it must have
been particularly trying, as you
always have so much important
writing to do.

I am sorry to say Phoebe has

not been very well for the last
ten days - has had a slight gastric
attack. She goes out & gets as much
air as possible on the doctor's orders,
but he will not let her do any
work yet. I hope she can begin
again next week, as she is certainly
better during the last two or three
days. Colds & chills in various forms
are very general in London, owing
perhaps to the extraordinary changes
in temperature. Just now it is very
warm comparatively.

I hear that my dear Mother - Lulu

have arrived safely in Lisbon, but
were very tired. I am glad my Mother
did not take cold before leaving
these Northern climes, as she seemed
so afraid of doing.

I expect you will be glad to
be in Italy where the weather
must be so lovely at this season
of the year. I hope you will
really rest there & get very
strong.

I am sending you a photograph
of Myron taken while he was at
home. I don't think it very good

I am glad Miss Heron received the knife
in time. We have informed Byron of the fact
& also that she wrote to him at his club. Her
letter has no doubt been forwarded.

You are probably just on the point
of your departure from Paris. I hope you
have someone to travel with you. How I
wish I could have been near to do something
for you during your illness.

It is a good thing you are going
South before the greater cold begins.

It will be delightful to go to a sunny
country. We have not had many fogs
here yet, but of course this is the
season for them. They usually do not
disappoint us. Alfred & Phoebe join me
in much love, & in wishing you a pleasant
journey.

Always, dearest Mr. Hearst,
Yours devotedly
Emma.

16 Warwick Gardens.

London, Nov. 9, 1904.

My dearest Mr. Hearst:

We were so glad to receive
your kind letter & it was very good of you
to write. It is a pleasure to hear how much
better you are & that your glasses enable
you to use your eyes for some time every
day, without fatigue. I do hope you
will soon be entirely well again.

I am sure you must have made
a great effort in seeing my dear Mother
several times while you were so ill,
but if you know the great happiness
you gave her - the joy she will have in

the remembrance of your sweet kindness - attentions to her, you would feel more than repaid. She has written me all about the happy meetings with you. I am sure you must have found her very feeble in comparison to what she was when you last met, for I was sad to see the change during the last three years. How I wish we did not live so far apart, so that I could be often with my dear Mother, now that she can go out so little - has so few things to cheer her in life.

Her Lisbon friends seem to find her improved by the recent trips to France & England. Lulu is very delicate too.

I am happy to say that Phoebe is constantly improving, though her recovery has been slow, as the doctor predicted. I believe it usually is in these gastric attacks. She was probably already suffering in this way while we were abroad - she had that violent fit of sickness at Geneva. Phoebe eats no meat - scarcely any fish or fowl, but has very light nourishing food in the form of eggs, milk food of all kinds, as much cream as she can take - farinaceous foods - fruits. This diet seems to suit her admirably - her strength is returning.

We have not yet had a letter from Wynn since he reached his destination, but the next African mail should bring us one.

French Impressionists. I understand them less than the first I mentioned, but it has been very interesting to study this curious phase of Art in so complete a form.

Wynn was delighted to receive your card for Christmas & wrote that he was very much touched by your kind remembrance of him. He seems very well but writes that he does not like Uganda so much since his return & talks of going back to India next year.

My dear Mother is slowly regaining her strength after her illness.

Phoebe keeps well & has been able to work steadily. We hope to take her into the country ^{for two or three weeks} next month, during her holidays, which begin on April 5th. We shall not go far from London, but any good fairly bracing place with nice fields & trees will answer & she is longing for fresh air. Spring is so lovely in England when the primroses are in blossom. Alfred & Phoebe join me in much love, & believe me, dearest Mr. Hearst, always yours devotedly
Eunice.

Mrs. Hearst

16 Warwick Gardens -
London, March 8, 1906.

My dearest Mr. Hearst.

I hope you have had a very successful trip to Palestine. It must be a most interesting place to visit. I wonder if you have now returned to Egypt. We heard a few days ago, through Miss Peck, that your son is coming over early in April & that you will meet him in Paris.

I trust your health is very greatly improved from the quiet restful winter you have had, especially in

the desert. About ten days ago we invited a few friends to come - see us in the studio. Alfred had some new pictures to show - I collected about ten of my miniatures - placed them on velvet screens. Everything went off well - we had some fifty guests.

One of my servants became quite ill two days before the event, which was very inconvenient - gave me a great deal of extra work to do. However I got an old servant in, who cleaned all the silver & china - luckily by the afternoon the people came, our maid was well

enough to open the door & announce them. Two extra maids were lent us by relations - these served the tea & coffee. We asked the Pukes but Jennie wrote afterwards to say they had "overslept the day" as she expressed it.

This is a season of great artistic interest in London. There are three splendid exhibitions now going on - those of Watts, Jantien Latour - Whistler. How I wish you were here to enjoy them, or rather perhaps I should wish they could be open when you do come. There has also been a very important exhibition lately of all the great

part, but is prompted by Nature struggling
for necessary conditions to health.

1905 Mrs. Eliza
Kate thinks that if Phoebe could almost
live out of doors for a few months
she would become stronger & her functions
would act properly. She will then develop
into a fine strong woman.

Kate thought it would not be well to
stop Phoebe's work entirely, as it would
make her very unhappy & she would
think too much about her own condition,
& advised her doing it in moderation
till she is stronger.

Aunt Sallie kindly bought small
pictures by Alfred & me as well as giving
me the miniature order & it seems to
me we cannot possibly spend this money

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16 Warwick Gardens
London, June 14, 1905.

My dearest Mr. Hearst.

I hope so much that
you had a very pleasant voyage, with
fine weather & feel better for the rest &
quiet which I know you always enjoy
at sea. I trust that you do not suffer
now with your face.

I wished to write to you before
this, but the day you sailed my
Aunt Sallie gave me an order to
paint her miniature - as I had only
one week in which to get the necessary

sittings, I had to paint every hour possible - it was rather fatiguing.

Aunt Sallie sat for me every day for the whole morning. It was very pleasant having such nice long talks with her, all about California & many things of long ago.

My cousin, Dr. Kate is an interesting & clever woman, devoted to her profession & enthusiastic about her work. She gained much useful information, visiting the chief hospitals here, but could not get practical surgery, so her stay in London was short. She hopes to find this practice in Paris or Berlin. I finished

the miniature in time for my aunt's departure last Sunday. Kate thought it an excellent likeness of her mother. They are staying in Paris with Aunt Belle.

I had no opportunity while you were in London of telling you what is the matter with Phoebe - her sole trouble is suppressed menstruation - you know this becomes serious if it continues after the age of maturity is reached. I told you of her longing for fresh bracing air. My cousin was most helpful to me about Phoebe. She says it is no mere whim on the child's

from Chorley Wood, where we stayed at first.

We have a very comfortable house, with a nice shady garden. Two hammocks are swung under the trees & here Phoebe & I spend many delightful hours -

Phoebe is now asleep near me in a hammock & I am on a steamer chair.

Phoebe is taking a thorough open air & rest cure & is seldom in the house except at night. In fact she has been longing to sleep in a hammock, but I thought I should find it rather chilly for myself if I came & took care of her. Alfred put up a tent this morning near the hammocks & in that I shall be quite comfortable.

I dare say Phoebe & I will try camping out, as the weather is very fine & dry just now. Alfred prefers a comfortable

Nelson House, Heronsgate -

Rickmansworth, Herts. Aug. 17, 1905.

My dearest Mr. Hearst.

Your kind letter of July 21st reached me two days ago - it gave us all much pleasure to hear from you & to know that you have arrived safely in California.

You do not say anything about your own health, so I hope you are very much better & do not suffer any more from your face trouble.

I am glad to hear you are now enjoying the fine mountain air - that will be sure to benefit you. I suppose by this time the house is quite finished & it must be a delightful place to spend

the Summer in.

When Alfred wrote to you not long ago, I think he told you that my dear Mother & Lulu had arrived in London. Their coming was quite unexpected by me & I only heard of their decision the day they left for Paris. It is a great happiness to me to see my dear Mother again. I find her looking much better than she did last year & it is a marvellous thing that she was well enough to take such a long journey, after having been confined to her room & often to bed by rheumatism.

My Mother & Lulu ascribe her improvement to Christian Science, which they have been pursuing for some time. They have come to England almost entirely for the purpose of getting personal treatment

in this Science. Lulu is also much improved & seems more cheerful than for a long time past. Let us hope the benefit to their health may continue.

It is very fortunate we had not made arrangements to spend the holidays a long way from London, as I should then have seen so little of my Mother. I go up sometimes & lunch with her. She may stay in London until the end of September, if the weather continues good.

I will give her your message about writing to her. She received the letter you wrote before leaving London. Although she looks so much better, I find her very feeble & so easily fatigued.

We are now in a most charming place for a few weeks, about two miles

yesterday - his health seems to have been good ever since he returned to Africa - The delightful trip with you in Switzerland last year was of immense benefit to him & was exactly what he needed after four years spent in hot & relaxing climates.

I am sorry you hear accounts from friends of an unsettled state in India. If we told Hyam about it, he would probably want to go there as quickly as possible. Any chance of a "show" as they call it, is always a great temptation to young soldiers.

Good-bye, dearest Mr. Heard. Phoebe has
waked up & sends much love. With
the same from Alfred & me, & again thanking
you for your kind letter,

Ever yours devotedly
Emmie.

bed but perhaps if we find camping very delightful, he may be persuaded to join the family party.

Phoebe has improved very much during the last few weeks. She looks much stronger & sleeps & eats well. She was doing neither before we left London.

We shall stay here until the middle of September & will then return to Chorley Wood for the Autumn. We have taken a pleasant & inexpensive furnished house from Oct. 1st not far from the station, so that Phoebe can easily go to London for her lessons twice a week. Unless she feels quite strong enough to undertake the work, she will get a substitute for her teaching at the

Miss. Eliza

Academy next term. I think it is wiser to do this before resigning the appointment altogether, as it is such good practice & experience for her.

I am sorry to say we have not got any offer for our house in town yet, but something may come a little later when people begin to return there in the Autumn.

I have been asked to make a copy of a miniature I painted some time ago - this work occupies most of my time in the morning, but I often paint landscape in the afternoon. The country about here is most beautiful.

Alfred has done some fine pastel sketches - I am happy to tell you

that his health is wonderfully improved by this splendid air & he looks quite robust. Golfing too on the lovely Charley Wood Common has greatly benefitted him. He walks there twice a week & has a round on the links.

I shall be delighted to paint a miniature of your dear little grandson & will write at once to Miss Peck to give her my country address, so that if your son stays in London he can perhaps give me an opportunity of seeing the baby.

What a delightful trip Mr. & Mrs. Hearst must have had in Spain. I wonder if the baby goes automobiling too. He will no doubt become a good & experienced traveller.

We had a satisfactory letter from Wynne

fortnight which intervenes before we can get into the furnished house we have taken at Chorley Wood. This will enable me to see much more of my dear Mother before she leaves for Paris at the end of this month. She has not been able to visit us here, I am sorry to say. My Mother is very sorry she will not see you, unless the weather should keep abnormally warm in the Autumn. She expects to make a short stay in Paris & then return to Lisson some time in October.

I have been in correspondence with your daughter-in-law & Mr. Peck about seeing the dear baby. The latter, who is at Dorquay making sketches of the baby, has been very kind in giving me information

Nelson House, Heronsgate.

Rickmansworth, Sept. 17, 1905.

My dearest Mr. Hearst.

Alfred has already answered your very kind letter of Aug. 9th, which gave us much pleasure & satisfaction.

You write so sympathetically about our present uncertain plans, owing to Phoebe's want of health, that it was a great comfort to us.

I am happy to tell you we have just let our house furnished for a year, from Oct. 30th. We think this is a very satisfactory arrangement, as it enables Phoebe

to have a good long time in the country
& also gives us time to decide how we
should like Chorley Wood or some other
country place near London before actually
disposing of the charming home we now
possess, through your great kindness.

Our prospective tenants seem very nice
people, have no children & Alfred retains
the use of his studio - Phoebe keeps her
good piano - We get only a low rent,
scarcely more than what we pay for the
house & studio unfurnished, but under
existing circumstances, which make it
almost a necessity for us to be in the
country for some time to come, getting

that big house off our hands is the greatest
possible boon, & we feel most thankful.

Phoebe is simply delighted at the prospect
of spending a whole year in the country.
She is very much better & stronger & is in such
good spirits. There is a good piano in this
house & she has done a great deal of practis-
ing lately to prepare herself for the
work at the Academy, which begins in
a week's time -

Phoebe has played Jinnis a good deal &
this exercise has done her much good.
We leave this house tomorrow, as the
owners want it - we have decided
to return to Warwick Gardens for the

or not. We stood ready to be charged every minute & I ^{then} sent the hunter up a tree to see what the elephant was doing. He signalled down that he was feeling for our wind with his trunk - after a bit he floundered away across the river. As the hunter said it was not deep I decided to follow the animal across. It was only two feet deep but added to that was a foot of black evil smelling mud. The only way across was by the track made by the elephant. I continued to follow him for about two hours, the bush so dense that it was literally impossible to see two yards except where the elephant had forced his way through. Then the hunter beckoned to me & said the elephant was just in front. He pointed through a gap when I saw his head just the other side, swinging his trunk about quite peacefully. I immediately fired & down he came with a tremendous crash. I rushed out & put more shots into him, as it often happens that the first shot only stuns the animal & he recovers & goes off.

Just suppose Wynne had missed that first shot, but he didn't! Alfred & Phoebe join me in much love. Our address after this month will be: Rosebank, Chorley Wood, Herts. I believe Alfred also gave you the address of his club.
Ever yours devotedly
Emmie.

about your sons plans. Mr. Peck wrote this morning that "the baby & his admirers" will be in London on the 29th - that I can see him that afternoon or early next morning, before he takes his morning nap.

You may be sure I will avail myself of the privilege & will stare hard at the little fellow, so as to get his appearance fixed in my mind for painting his miniature. I hope some good photographs have been taken of the baby.

I trust you are feeling very well now & that your trip to Mexico will not be too fatiguing. I suppose the scenery in the Grand Canyon is very fine.

You are probably now enjoying the Hacienda

The mountain house must be most delightful, in such beautiful surroundings.

I am glad to hear you enjoyed the quiet & rest there so much.

We had a long & interesting letter from Wynne a day or two ago, giving us an account of a shooting trip he had just come back from - he killed another elephant under exciting circumstances - I feel thankful he returned safely. Elephant hunting is very dangerous sport. I give you an extract from Wynne's letter - He writes:

"The elephant was a very large one & had been doing a good deal of damage & moreover had the reputation of being fierce, so the Natives were very anxious for me to shoot him & gave me a good deal of help.

The hunter left me on the edge of the belt of forest for a time & went to look for the elephant. He came back & said that the bull was there but in the same piece of jungle there was a cow & a young bull which were away from the bull.

I went in & after about twenty minutes creeping through the dense forest, so thick that the sun only penetrated it in patches, I heard the elephant breaking away. He had apparently heard something & went off into the river - as soon as we got close he started making a horrible noise. I could not see him as the river is like most Uganda rivers, merely swamps full of Sudd or "Papyrus". It is very alarming hearing an elephant trumpeting about fifty yards off & not knowing whether he is going to charge.

Alfred says I ought to add this part of
Wynnie's letter as the story may amuse you:

"I asked the hunter if the elephant was
really dead & he said no - He seized a knife
however, rushed up & cut off his tail,
saying that he could not possibly get
up now.

There is an idea among the Natives that
once the tail is off the elephant is bound
to die. I have heard of a sportsman who had
stunned an elephant in the same way -
who believed the story so did not waste
any more cartridges - The consequence was
that the elephant went off, leaving his
tail behind him."

14:16

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interest. Freehold property is one of the investments allowed by law. At the rate of interest we could get in other things it will make a very moderate rent - not over £50 a year, when we have built a good studio & a room or two over it.

The studio will be built right on to the house & so arranged that if we wish to leave it later it can be divided into two sitting rooms.

Our trustee & the lawyers seem to think it will be a good investment for my money, as this is a very favorite & growing neighbourhood & the house is so conveniently situated

Rosebank, Chorley Wood

Herts. Jan. 28, 1906.

My dearest Mr. Hearst.

Phoebe wrote to you a few days ago, so I waited a little before sending you a letter. I hope you are already feeling better for your removal to a warmer climate & that you do not suffer with your head & eye as you did in Paris.

I wrote some time ago to tell you how pleased I was to hear you liked the miniature of the dear baby - I hope that letter was forwarded to you.

In one of Alfred's letters to you some weeks ago, he mentioned that we were thinking of buying a little house here. We thought & thought & perhaps it might have ended there, only we found some other people had made an offer for it.

That made us wake up to the fact that we really wanted it ourselves & would be very sorry to lose it.

I, particularly, felt very anxious to have it.

The situation of this little house is delightful, just above the one we are now occupying, with a good piece of ground at the back & some

in front. It commands fine & quite extensive views over country in the back & front, which can never be destroyed, as the house stands so high. It is only five minutes walk from the station.

We have made an offer for this little property & the lawyer is now looking into the title. We have had the building examined by a surveyor.

The money I inherit from my dear Mother & from the Lisbon property must go into trust, by the terms of my marriage settlement, for me & the children.

It can therefore only be invested in the safest things, not giving very high

to the station. Phoebe is so very
much better & happier, living a
country life that Alfred - I have
no wish to take her back to
London - in fact, to tell the
truth, we are very happy here
ourselves - The country is so lovely
& yet we can enjoy many things
in London, being so near.

The first period of the lease of our
house in London expires at the end
of this year, so we shall have no
further responsibility with it.

We should have liked to be able

Mrs. Eliza

to talk all this over with you,
dearest Mrs Hearst, but you were
too far away.

If everything is settled satisfactorily
the present owners of the house
will probably continue to occupy
it until June, as our tenants -
then the alterations in the house
will be made. We do not wish
to occupy it until next November,
as our furniture will not be
available until then.

In Wynn's last letter he tells us
he has been ordered to join an
expedition in East Africa which

is taking place to put down some
unruly tribes. It was reported to be
over in the English papers, but
in Africa this is not thought to
be the case. We are anxiously waiting
for further news from Wynn. If he
does go on the expedition he will
postpone his departure for India till
it is over.

Phoebe is staying over Sunday with
a friend. Alfred joins me in much
love. Please remember us to Mrs Flint
who is, I hope, improving in health.

Always yours devotedly
Emmie.
Since finishing my letter
we have heard from Wynn.
He had gone on the expedition - was employed as
signalling officer. Seemed to be enjoying himself.

as ever. Perhaps it is even now
being published in some tent or
barn. Such energy must ~~finally~~

succeed.
You will be glad to hear that
the picture Alfred spoke about
has been bought by the old
Canon after all.

Phoebe has just got a piano
pupil here.

Will you please send the enclosed
letter to Mr. Rockwell. I forgot to ask
you for her address on Tuesday.

With our best love & kind remembrance
to all at the White House,

Ever yours devotedly
Emmie.

Rosebank, Chorley Wood
Herts. May 18th.
[1906?]

My dearest Mr. Hearst.

I hope you
were not too tired after the
day you spent with us.
It was such a pleasure to
have you - I like to think
you have actually seen, -
walked with us in the
garden of our new home.

I shall often think of it
when we are there & it will
make you seem nearer to us.

I trust, dearest Mr. Hearst,
that it will not be a very
long time before you will
come over to Europe & stay
with us in our little house
on the side of the hill.

I cannot bear to think
that years may pass before

you come to England again -
in fact I won't think about
it.

I believe that the wonderful
vitality in the people & air
of dear San Francisco will
soon set everything going
again, & your fine building
will soon rear its head
towards the sky once more
& the "Examiner" be as flourishing

put in drawers & cupboards & there weren't any here scarcely!

However, I suggested our sorting everything very carefully & only leaving out very necessary things for the present season.

This plan has acted splendidly & everything is comfortably stowed away & there seems to be plenty of room.

This is really a very pleasant little house, with such a pretty view over the country. There is a small garden full of flowers & containing a shelter where we can sit & be protected from the sun.

Balholm, Chorley Wood.
Herts. June 4, 1906.

My dearest Mr. Hearst.

We were very surprised to receive your kind note, written just before you sailed for America. I hope that the sudden call there on important business was nothing that causes you extra anxiety or worry, for you already had more than enough.

Alfred wrote to you as soon as we received your letter. I hope you. Paris Banker forwarded his.

I wonder whether you will find it necessary to go out to California. I trust not.

There is so little in the papers now about that poor afflicted population of San Francisco - I want so much to know how everything is getting on. I am sure that the work of rebuilding will be carried through as rapidly as possible.

I hope you have reassuring news from San Francisco as ^{to} the reconstruction of your own building.

I trust also, dearest Mrs. Hearst, that you are well - do not suffer too much with your eye. I fear

that often troubles you much more than your good friends realize, for you are so courageous.

Last Friday we moved into this little cottage, where I think we shall be quite comfortable & happy.

It is much smaller than the house we have left - it required some thought & manipulation to stow away the immense amount of luggage we have with us, being everything we all possess in the way of clothing.

Alfred said he didn't see the use of unpacking, for when one did that the clothing was usually

is very well. I cannot remember whether your son's family remained in New York or accompanied him to California.

Phoebe went to a dance with some friends at Woolwich, the Royal Military Academy & wore the lovely pendant you gave her for the first time. She had great pleasure & pride in doing so & said it was greatly admired by her friends.

Now dearest Mrs Hearst, I will say good bye, with best love from us all.

Always yours devotedly
Emmie

Mrs. Eliza

There is room for the piano, the parrots & dog & cat, so I hope we can stay here until our own house is ready for us.

Today we got possession of it, which was an exciting event. We all went over the house & garden & thought ourselves very fortunate to have secured so pleasant a spot for a home, within convenient distance of London & all its advantages.

I am so glad you have seen the place. We have not yet received the estimate from the

builder so do not know whether it will be possible for us to carry out the full plan made by the architect. I am sure it will be a good investment to make it nice, but I don't want to have it so nice that we cannot afford to live in it ourselves - must let somebody else enjoy it. That would be a great disappointment to me.

We have had recent letters from Wynn - he was waiting for the arrival of the officer to take his place before starting for India. There had been

some unnecessary delay about it. I expect Wynn is now at sea. He hints that there may be a chance of his coming home next year on leave, but I shall not think too much about it, as these things are so uncertain.

I think he is pleased to resign his nice Gurkha regiment, but his time spent in Africa has been valuable in giving him much experience of a different race of people - country which may be useful at some future time.

I hope your dear little grandson

The work on our house is advancing rapidly - it is being splendidly built & will make a delightful home - In one or two matters of detail, though, we are greatly disappointed, but, as I said, our architect is a mule, & had we insisted on alterations he would have thrown up the whole work. That was too serious & expensive to risk. Alfred's studio will be a fine room & adapted to other uses besides painting if we ever want to give up the house.

We hope to move some time in Nov. I trust you have been able to begin your building in S.F. & that the labour troubles are diminishing. Alfred is in London today - I will send his love with mine. Hoping your health is good,
Ever yours devotedly
Emma

The Mount, Chorley Wood
Herts. Sept. 5, 1906.

My dearest Mr. Hearst.

I am sorry I have not written to you for some time. We have had various troubles & bothers, what with the insanitary condition of our last house, trying to find another in a very short time (after the Inspector's final & unsatisfactory report) & having more than one serious misunderstanding with our architect, (who is as stubborn as a mule.) Alfred & I have had rather a trying time.

Now we are settled again, I hope
until we move into our own house.
The one we are now in is comfort-
able, only it is right on the railway
& the noise of the constantly passing
trains is rather trying. We endeavoured
to get the house you saw us in here,
but the owners asked ^{even} more for it
than we paid before, so we had to
give it up.

The heat was terrible during our packing
up & unpacking here - over 90° some
days. Now it is cooler.

I hope you have had a very pleasant
trip. It was so kind of you to send

me some post cards from Switzerland
& they did indeed remind us of the
delightful trip we had with you two
years ago.

Phoebe is still away - after spending
a fortnight with her aunts in Cornwall,
she went to Lady Rendel's in Surrey,
where she still is & is having a most
enjoyable time with charming friends.

It is a large country house, at this season
full of Lady Rendel's ^{about Phoebe's age} grandchildren, &
there is plenty of amusement. I am so
glad Phoebe has had such enjoyable
holidays. I expect she will soon come
home now.

in getting it ready from
one lesson to another.

The work on our house pro-
gresses rapidly & should be
finished by the end of October.
It will all be very nice I
hope.

Much love from us all &
hoping to see you soon.

Ever yours devotedly
Emmie.

The Mount, Chorley Wood.
Herts. Sept 28, 1906.

My dearest Mr. Hearst.

I must write
a few lines to express our
hearty congratulations to you
on your son's nomination
for Governor of New York.

He has triumphed, in spite
of all his opponents could
do or say, "you must feel

Mrs. Stinson

very proud of him.

I do hope the State will go Democratic in the forthcoming elections.

Perhaps you are already in London, but as I am not sure of it, I will send this to Paris.

We have settled comfortably in this house & have become so accustomed to the con-

stantly passing trains that we scarcely notice them.

Phoebe has resumed her teaching at the Academy today. They have allowed her to do that, although she is not a student this term. She seems to be enjoying her work by herself & the absence of such

crowded with too much furniture -
They ^{Rooms} are so much nicer when this is not
the case. Some things we may be able to
exchange for others more suited to
certain spaces or needs.

The lovely lilies you gave us are still
a source of pleasure, as all the buds
have gradually opened.

We heard from Wynn a few days ago -
he was well.

Alfred ordered a book to be sent to you -
"A Vision of India" by Sidney Low. It
is a delightful & very graphic description
of that wonderful country & peoples.

Good bye, dearest Mrs. Hearst. Alfred
wrote to you some days ago - He & Phoebe
join me in much love,

Ever yours devotedly
Emmie.

The Mount, Chorley Wood
Herts. Oct. 11, 1906.

My dearest Mrs. Hearst.

It was such a pleasure
to us all to spend the evening with
you last week & I am so glad you
gave us the opportunity of seeing you
during your short stay in London.

As the weather was better on
Wednesday last, I hope you were
able to take your motor trip & much
enjoyed it. Perhaps you are in Paris
again by this time.

The weather has become so very mild
again for the season. I think it

is delightful to have a warm Autumn,
as it seems to shorten the Winter.

I hope Mr. & Mrs. Clark have had
a good voyage to America, without
too much rough weather, which the
latter seemed to dread, on account
of her little girl.

I expect you will be occupied
for the approaching wedding of your
friends in Paris, I forget just when
you said it was to take place.

We shall feel very anxious about
you until we hear your own trouble
is over. I hope you can let us know
through someone how you are -

I do wish you could take sulphuric
ether. I have heard it has the effect
of chloroform without any of its danger
to the heart. Have you ever known
anything of it?

Our house is now practically
finished, with the exception of such
details as doors, whitening of ceilings,
painting & papering.

We shall get possession of our London
house at the end of this month &
will then be very busy for some
days, sorting out furniture & arranging
what we can house down here & what
must be sold. We don't want our house

The Mount, Chorleywood.
Herts. Nov. 18, 1906.

My dearest Mr. Hearst.

Your kind letter to Alfred of the 14th gave us all much pleasure. We wish you had told us more about yourself & how you are.

I trust that the worst part of your medical treatment is over & that you are experiencing relief from it.

Perhaps a letter to me will soon come, as you mentioned that you were writing.

Our move is over & all our possessions are in the new house. When everything was brought in, & confusion reigned

how sincerely he has the welfare of his country at heart.

Alfred was sorry to hear that the "Times" book club had forwarded you a second copy of the book on India, in spite of his having countermanded it. If you have no use for the second volume will you kindly have it sent back to Alfred, but keep it by all means if you like to do so.

I hope you hear better news of the progress of things in San Francisco.

Some old friends, the Sherwoods, have just arrived in England. They were so terribly shocked by the awful experiences in Cal. that they sold their home in Alameda.

Alfred & Phoebe join me in best love, & hoping soon to hear good news of you, ever
Yours devotedly
Emmie.

Mrs. Elias

supreme in every room, I felt perfectly hopeless & it seemed quite impossible that we could ever place all the things - This house of ours is so much smaller than the one in London we have left.

However, after three days of very hard work, order is being restored & we see what the result will be. I think the house will look charming & I am so anxious for you to see it.

Our furniture seems to suit the rooms as it is not too big. Alfred very wisely sold all the largest things before the move took place.

We have remained a week longer in this furnished house, so as to put

our own in order, to some extent, before moving in. This saves a great deal of discomfort. We shall be there on the 22nd, after which date, our address will be: Hill Cottage, Chobseywood.

Your son must indeed feel tired after the great work & strain of the past few weeks. I am very sorry he did not win the election, but he made a splendid fight & has forced the other party to take some action about the great grievances of the American people.

Your son must feel that his labour has not been in vain - his fine speech quoted in the English papers that "If he could not lead he would serve in the ranks" must convince people

~~16, WARWICK GARDENS,
KENSINGTON.~~

Hill Cottage
Charleywood
Herts.

Nov. 29, 1906.

My dearest Mr. Hearst.

I wrote to you a few days ago, soon after our furniture came down from London. We have had a very busy & fatiguing fortnight & the worst is now over.

We are living in our own house & are delighted with it.

health. I expect the mild autumn we are having is good for you, & enables you to get more fresh air.

Phoebe is well & very busy with her teaching & practising. She played at a village concert here a few nights ago for a charity & seemed to be much appreciated, having to give an encore. We have good runs of Hymns.

Alfred joins me in much love.

Phoebe is at Harrow, spending the night with the Headmaster's daughter.

Again wishing you many happy returns of your birthday, always,
dearest Mr. Hearst,
Yours devotedly
Emmie.

Everything is compact - comfortable, there are no waste spaces or long passages to keep in order. It is a fair-sized house in a nutshell, which is just what we ought to have.

Alfred's studio is a most delightful room - we use it more than any other in the house.

Phoebe's grand piano is in it & sounds so well. We have a small one in the drawing room for her to use when it is not

convenient to Alfred to have playing in the studio - where she can give her lessons.

I sent off to you day-before-yesterday by post, a small water colour picture of flowers, which I have painted lately & which I hope you will accept with my best love & good wishes for your birthday.

Should it not reach you safely, I should like to know, so that I can claim the insurance.

We hope you are improving in

view over miles of charming country,
woods & undulating fields, with not a
house in sight.

Alfred sent you a book which had
rather amused him. He hoped it would
reach you on board the steamer.

We are sending you a little calendar,
with our love & best wishes for a very
happy New Year.

This house is now nearly in order &
we hope soon to begin painting again.

Miss Eliza
I am sorry I could not get the altera-
tions done to your miniature before you left
Paris. I had not a very good place for
working in our last house & thought I would
wait until we got settled. I did not then
know you might be away for so long a time.

With our best love & warm wishes,
Ever yours devotedly
Emmie.

Hill Cottage, Chorleywood.

Herts. Dec. 18, 1906.

My dearest Mr. Hearst.

Your charming present
for Xmas has given us great pleasure
& you are indeed kind to send us
such a large sum - It will do a great
deal more than buy a lamp for the
new studio. I think perhaps a carpet
for the dining room may also be
purchased.

Alfred wrote at once to you, so I
waited a few days before sending you
my own thanks. Phoebe is much looking
forward to the operas early next year.

it will be a source of education
as well as pleasure to her. She knows
nothing scarcely of this branch of music
& will often go with a musical friend
who has studied the subject & can teach
her a good deal about the forms of
Opera. I hope you received her letter.

We often think of you now at
sea & hope you are enjoying the rest
& quiet & do not suffer from the cold
damp air. These fine steamers are no
doubt so spacious & comfortable that it
is less irksome to be kept below
than formerly.

The pretty calendars have just come
& we much appreciate them. One will

be sent to Wynn. In his last letter
he said something about coming home
in the Spring. I don't allow myself to
think too much about it, but there
must be some chance of his doing so
or he would not mention it.

It will give him great pleasure to see
you again before your return to America.

I am writing in our dining room
& look out on a pretty little garden,
arranged in ^{grass,} straight walks & flower beds
which suit the style of the house.
Just across the road to the left is a
lovely wood, some of the dead brown
leaves still clinging to the branches -
On the right & in front is a delightful

Country looked most beautiful, especially by moonlight.

Wynn still writes that he may be able to come home this Spring but nothing is decided yet. We must not expect it too much so that we shall not be too disappointed if he cannot come.

I expect you found your little grandson a darling & much enjoyed being with him.

Alfred & Phoebe join me in best love & in the hope that we shall see you some time this Summer.

Ever yours devotedly
Emmie.

Hill Cottage, Chollywood.
Herts. Jan. 12, 1907.

My dearest Mrs. Hearst.

I am afraid it is some time since I have written to you. The days seem to pass so rapidly & I have had so much work to do for the house - curtain-making took up much time & is not quite finished yet.

We are otherwise nearly settled, with the exception of two bedrooms, which have not been arranged as to furniture, as one new room was very cold - that can all be put in order now.

We find our house very comfortable
& convenient & I hope we shall get
on in it.

Alfred enjoys his studio very much
& finds the light good; it is not
so big as the one he had in London,
but there is room for some of
his pictures & we have less furniture
in it. We use the studio more
than any other room & it makes a
most delightful sitting & music
room. The grand piano is in the
studio. Phoebe has had a fine young
violinist staying with her & we have
enjoyed most beautiful music -

She & Phoebe have been practising
together at the Academy for months.
It is a mutual benefit & they play
fine sonatas for piano & violin by
the best composers. Phoebe enjoys
this work immensely.

We hope you are keeping well &
do not feel the cold if you are
still in New York. Perhaps you will
soon be on your journey back.
I hope you have found all your
business affairs satisfactory.

We had a good deal of snow
here just after Christmas - it remained
on the ground for a week & the

I wrote to you a few days ago & gave all the news of ourselves & Wynne.

With much love from us all, & hoping we may soon see you,

Ever yours devotedly
Emmie.

Mrs. Elias

Hill Cottage, Chorleywood.
Herts. Jan. 17, 1907.

My dearest Mrs. Hearst.

We were so glad to receive your kind letter to Alfred, written just before you left America & to hear there was a chance of seeing you in London.

We have been hoping to have some news from you

this week, but as none has
come, perhaps you did not
land in England, or perhaps
you are prolonging your
stay here & we may yet
have the pleasure of seeing
you.

I am glad to hear how
much you enjoyed the
time spent in America with
your son & his family -

It must indeed have been
hard for you to leave that
dear little boy. I think
you wrote that he will be
coming over in the Spring.

Phoebe went to her first
opera yesterday afternoon &
enjoyed it immensely - she
heard Lohengrin & on Saturday
she will go to Tristan &
Isolda -

Phoebe's holidays have just begun & she is looking forward to a quiet time here, after spending so many days in London & being very busy. She is very well.

We hope so much to have the pleasure of seeing you in May when you come to London & I trust you will be able to ~~come~~ pay us a visit here.

Alfred has gone to town to see after some pictures - he left his love & Phoebe joins me in sending a great deal to you.

Always yours devotedly
Emmie

Mrs. Stiles

Hill Cottage, Choblywood.
Herts. March 27, 1907.

My dearest Mr. Hearst.

I am afraid I have not written to you for some time & the last few weeks seem to have passed so rapidly. Since my last letter you have been at Cannes & I hope your stay in the South was very pleasant & beneficial.

I saw an article in the New York Herald, (Paris Edition) which Lulu sent me giving an account of the charming American-Russo wedding

which you attended at Cannes -
it must have been an interesting
sight. I should think such a marriage
must be rather a novelty too.

Yesterday Alfred received a cheque
for Ten Pounds from Mrs^s Armstrong.
We thank you so much for sending
it to us - it is a great help.
Alfred has written to the Bank -

We are so happy because we have
just heard that Wynn will be at
home early in May. I cannot quite
believe it yet, - I hope nothing will
occur to prevent his coming.

It will be exciting to him to find
us in a new abode - I hope he will

like Choblywood as much as we do.
In some ways I know he will regret not
being in London, where he meets all
his soldier friends, but he can easily
go up from here.

Perhaps you are now in Spain, as
you expected to go there for Holy
week, - I hope the weather is as
fine as we are having here.

March 28th - At this point my writing
was interrupted & I am now finishing
this letter in the verandah, on a most
glorious morning - Phoebe & a number
of friends are having a somewhat late
breakfast near me, basking in the
sun.

I think this is about the time you used to go there. It must be a delightful place, judging by the photographs you sent me.

Alfred has been much better, until last week, when he caught a bad cold & suffered from chill & rheumatism. He is much better now, I am glad to say, but finds he has to be careful of cold just at present.

I am in good health & devote as much time as I can spare to weeding our lawn, which constantly requires it.

Good bye, dearest Mr. Hearst. Alfred & Phoebe join me in much love.

Always yours devotedly
Emmie.

Hill Cottage, Chislewood
Herts. Aug. 28, 1908.

My dearest Mr. Hearst.

I have not written to you quite lately - perhaps you will like to have some news of us. There is nothing of special interest to tell you - our lives go on much as usual. Phoebe has been staying with different friends & enjoying herself very much. She returned last night from her last visit & expects to stay at home for the present.

Since I last wrote to you Lulu has arrived in England. She looked very delicate I thought, but seems better now. After resting here a few days, she went to stay in London for a time to attend to necessary business matters & do shopping. She returns to us tomorrow & will, I hope, stay here until she sails for the United States on Oct. 7th. She will visit Clara in Norfolk, but does not know where she will live eventually.

Wynn is now attached to the Staff at a different place in India & is working very hard under good tuition

for the entrance examination to the Staff College. It is very difficult, but if Wynn is able to accomplish it successfully, it will be a fine thing for his career. After going through the Staff College, a two years' course, he would be eligible for good Staff appointments in the Army.

We have had a very pleasant Summer & I have enjoyed our house & garden so much. This is the nicest time, when the days are long & weather mild.

I hope you are well. I wonder if you are now in your Mountain home.

chained up - this she seems to understand
& submit to. She is very fond of Bobo, our
little Pomeranian, but he is still rather
afraid of her, being so big.

We have sent to you a book "A Midsummer
Night's Dream", illustrated by Arthur Rackham,
a man of great reputation here. I hope you
will receive it safely.

Phoebe is at Harrow today to spend two nights
with Miss Wood, the Headmaster's daughter.

Alfred joins me in best love & many
good wishes for Christmas & the New-Year.

Always yours devotedly

Emmie.

Hill Cottage, Chislewood.

Herts, Dec. 12, 1908.

My dearest Mr. Hearst,

I hope this letter will
reach you just in time to wish you,
from us all, a very happy Christmas.

Perhaps, though, you will have gone
East to spend the holidays with your
son & his family. Those little grandsons
must make Christmas a happy time.

There is no special news to give you

of ourselves since I last wrote.

Alfred has commenced his duties as a District Councillor - I think he will find them interesting. Once a fortnight he has to go to a meeting at the nearest large town.

We have just received a present of a beautiful borzoi or Russian greyhound. When it was offered, Alfred & I refused it, as we felt so large a dog would be difficult to manage in our small house. However, Phoebe was so disappointed

that we consented to try "Diana."

She is a charming, gentle, affectionate creature & although some trouble & responsibility, we are all fond of her.

She refuses to live in her kennel or the verandah & seems so unhappy there, that we let her stay in the studio & she usually lies in a large round dog-basket under the piano & sleeps there at night without making a sound. Being still a puppy, it is not safe to leave her alone without being

more trained men for the defence of these Islands than now exist.

Phoebe has had several pleasant dances in the country while staying with a friend - one near here at Mr. Shaw-Robertson's.

She returns home tomorrow & her teaching will begin next week seriously, though she has done some during the holidays -

Our boy is a beautiful creature & is such a good & gentle dog. She & Bob are very good friends. The only thing I regret is that she spoils our lawn.

Alfred joins me in much love & thanks you so much for the really charming calendar.

Always yours devotedly

Ernie

I hope you received the book we sent

Hill Cottage, Chorleywood.

Herts. Jan. 15, 1909.

My dearest Mr. Hearst.

A few days ago we received the charming presents you so kindly sent to us, & we are delighted to have them & thank you very much for thinking of us. My pretty bag will be most useful, especially whenever I leave home, to use instead of a workbox.

A parcel had come from you for Hyman some time before ours, & this

was sent on to him at once.

I hope you spent a pleasant Christmas & had your grandchildren with you.

I am sure you will be glad to hear that dear Wynn has passed his difficult examination after all, for entrance to the Staff College in India.

It is a fine achievement, after only a few months of preparation - we are very happy about it.

There is a sad side to it, however, - that is, that we may not see Wynn for some time now.

On receiving his telegram my first feeling was one of sorrow, because he will not be with us in a few weeks' time.

However, what he has done is so good for his career that all other feelings must be consoled. If he does not come home during the two years' course at the Staff College, I hope he will soon after.

We are all well. I am glad to say -

Alfred is a good deal occupied just now, arranging a meeting at the nearest small town in connection with the National Service League, which advocates having

golden-haired little boy with dark brown eyes. Alfred thinks it is coming very well. It is so amusing to do big things sometimes, after working at miniatures. One helps the other, I find.

Phoebe is well - busy as usual. Alfred has been much occupied with the National Service League. He has just been asked to be Hon. Secretary for Hertfordshire - This would entail an enormous amount of work. I don't know if he will consent. Painting would be put aside, I fear. We are sending you a little rose calendar - Phoebe sends a Robert Louis Stevenson one.

With warmest love from us all, ever
dearest Mr. Hearsh, Yours devotedly
Emmie.

I hope your building
proposals to your satis-
faction in S.F. I expect
it will be a very fine
one. Ao. 1/10.

HILL COTTAGE,
CHORLEYWOOD,
HERTFORDSHIRE.

Dec. 9, 1909.

My dearest Mr. Hearsh.

I write a few
lines to send you our very best
wishes for a happy Christmas &
New Year & many blessings for you
& yours.

I trust that your health is good
& you can enjoy your lovely

house & grounds. I hope you have the little boys with you to make Christmas a merry one. They are old enough to understand & enjoy it - in fact perhaps George is already a little beyond belief in the myths of Santa Claus.

I hope you are having mild & sunny weather - it is often so lovely, I remember, at this season in California.

The English Winter commenced early & for weeks we have had quite sharp frosts from time to

time. I should like to fly South as the birds do. We keep fairly comfortable in our house, however, & have a nice large fireplace in the studio, built in a beautiful circle of brick - forming an alcove.

Wynn received a bad blow below the knee while playing polo & was laid up for some weeks - He is now better, but his leg is still tender - It is fortunate it was not worse

I am very busy painting the life-sized portrait of a charming

or two more of grief & rest.

I should rather like to have a very lazy time, but a good deal of work is necessary - I still help Alfred with the National Service League, which is never-ending - I have also an order to paint a miniature & have promised to have it done by the end of this month - so I must work at it regularly -

I am afraid all these duties at home too prevented my writing to those I love -

Alfred really works very hard at the duties he has undertaken for the League -

[In complete]
Seaford, Sussex.

May 2, 1910.

My dearest Mr. Heath.

I am afraid it is many weeks since I have written to you & I hope you will excuse my negligence - I have not been well or strong - never quite recovered from the attack I had soon after the New Year.

I got better to a certain extent & then remained stationary week after week - Finally we decided to come to the seaside for a short time.

Alfred also was not well, after an attack of influenza & suffered from lumbago & sciatica. We have been here more than a week & I already feel like a new woman.

Alfred has not been here so long, as he spent a few days in London with his brother, before joining Phoebe & me here.

I am sure he will soon feel the benefit of the sea air also.

This is a charming small place & we have delightful rooms quite close to & looking on the sea.

It seems almost like being on a steamer, from our balcony. There is a high cliff quite near, from the top of which one has a grand view of the sea & surrounding country as if from a tower. The sea gulls fly about quite near & look so beautiful, seen from above.

There is good golf here & Phoebe has been playing with a friend who is spending a week with her. I hope Alfred will soon feel like playing too when he has had a day

I expect your building is advancing rapidly in S. F. I hear it is marvellous how the place has been rebuilt since the fire & no doubt it is very prosperous again.

Alfred continues to be much occupied with National Service & municipal matters, in which he takes part.

I am sending you a calendar, with our best wishes & much love.

Hoping to hear from you when you have time, ever dearest Mrs. Hearst,

Yours devotedly
Emmie.

Ans. 30/11

HILL COTTAGE,
CHORLEYWOOD,
HERTFORDSHIRE.

Dec. 12, 1910.

My dearest Mrs. Hearst.

I must send a few lines to wish you a very happy

Christmas & New Year, from us all.

I hope this letter will reach you in time & find you very well.

Perhaps you will have some of your little grandsons with you, to make your house bright & cheerful.

Perhaps, on the other hand, you may be going East to spend Christmas with your son & his family as you do some years.

We are living as usual here, after two pleasant short visits paid to relatives & friends during the Autumn.

This is the least enticing season to be in the country in England, for the days are so short & the weather bad. However, our house is charming & time passes rapidly.

I am very busy, working on a

life size oil portrait & a miniature - both orders. It is gratifying to have work.

I wrote you that there is a chance of Phoebe's going out to India to spend some months with Wynn. Nothing is decided, as we have not yet heard whether he can find suitable accommodation for her in the place where he expects to be with his Regiment.

I hope for Phoebe's sake (not for mine) that her trip will take place. She is much looking forward to it.

successful portrait - seemed to
be much admired - I could
only have five sittings as the
baby's visit to the grandparents
was nearly over when I began the
portrait.

This has given me the idea of
doing some for you in the same
style. If you want miniatures
I can do those afterwards.

I think I wrote to you last
soon after Phoebe had started
for India.

HILL COTTAGE,
CHORLEYWOOD,
HERTFORDSHIRE.

May 31, 1911.

My dearest Mrs Hearst.

Some days ago I
received the parcel containing the
charming photographs of your three
grandsons. What fine children
they are - you must feel proud
of them - take great pleasure in
having them with you.

I want to paint some small

water-colour portraits of the children
for you, in fact I have commenced
one of George Randolph - I think
he is so like what his father
was as a boy. I wonder whether
you & others think so too.

Perhaps the likeness is more
apparent in the photograph -

The youngest child looks a
darling, with his soft pretty
hair. I imagine he is fair &
has very light hair. I remember
you wrote that William^{Jr} had

very blue eyes as a baby, so I
suppose they are the same now.
Your son had grey blue eyes I
think so I shall make George's
the same, unless I hear to the
contrary.

I have lately been asked to paint
the portrait of a very lovely little
child, the grandson of Mr. Sillist,
the Lord of the Manor ~~he~~ in
Charleywood. Mr. Sillist wanted
it done in water colours & small.

I am glad to say it was a very

I hope this plan can be carried out.

Alfred - I have such busy lives, which is a good thing. I help him with the National Service League work as much as my other occupations & strength will allow. He has lately been made organising secretary of the League for Hertfordshire - this is a ^{slightly} paid appointment, for which I am thankful. He has a great deal of extra work of a more interesting kind & a large correspondence. He has assistance with the accounts & other clerical work & I help to prepare things to hand over to his clerk who comes every day for work.

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We have such happy letters from her <sup>HILL COTTAGE,
CHORLEYWOOD,
HERTFORDSHIRE.</sup> she seems so very glad to be with Wynne & delighted with the lovely mountain place where she is to spend most of her time until the Durbar takes place in Dec. at Delhi.

I rejoice that the dear child enjoys so much & she seems to appreciate everything that is so new & interesting & finds the natives very picturesque & fitting

so perfectly their surroundings.
Wynn has taken a nice furnished
house with a lovely garden
which sounds quite ideal, from
Phoebe's descriptions, with grand
views of the valley below.

She had just been vaccinated
when she last wrote & had a sore
arm, but I trust ~~when~~ this is over
now & that she will keep well.

This house seems very quiet
& lonely without her sweet presence,
as you can imagine - but I

would not have it otherwise,
so delighted do I feel that Phoebe
has a rest from constant teaching
& the opportunity of seeing & en-
joying so much.

Wynn wants to take her to Quetta
for a month during the rainy
season in the mountains, ^{July, Aug. & Sept.} which
is not so pleasant. Quetta is a
large place & she would have some
gaiety & meet more people. Wynn
has friends there, having been
for two years at the Staff College.

constant weeding - feel rather
proud of it, as I have worked so
hard.

We have just had the telephone
put in this house today, as it
will save Alfred some writing. I
am very old-fashioned & don't like
the idea of the noisy thing at all.
I don't know how to use it, but
must learn -

I trust you are very well, dearest
Mr. Hearsh & will enjoy your visit
and. With very best love,

Ever yours devotedly
Emmie.

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This active life is a very good
thing for ~~my~~ ^{COTAGE,} dear husband.

He goes about ^{CHORLEYWOOD,} & meets interesting
people in different parts of this
county. He is away now for two
or three days, seeing various
persons to further the interests
of the League & get them to work
for it. I hope this appointment
will last.

Your fine building must be
very near completion now, as you
wrote that the "Examiner" would

occupy their portion of it in September. I hope you will be very successful in renting all the rest that you want to dispose of. Are you having an apartment in it for your own use as in the former building?

I was talking to an Englishman a few days ago who has lately returned from California. He says it is marvellous the way S. F. has been rebuilt & that only Americans could have done

it in so short a time. When he left there soon after the fire it seemed as though it could never be accomplished.

Our sweet little garden gets prettier each year, as things grow. We have not the fine masses of flowers as they bloom in Cal. but we appreciate what we do have & the green lawn & trees are pleasant to look at.

I have really got our grass into very good condition by

We are spending three weeks with our sisters in this most delightful part of the Island, & are enjoying it immensely. It was very kind of them to ask us. They have a charming cottage for the summer looking over the sea. I cannot walk much, but spend the lovely fine days which we are blest with now on the verandah where I am ^{now} sitting, writing to you.

We have been here a week & both feel better for the change & sea air.

We have such happy letters from Phoebe - she seems to be enjoying every hour & writes that she is very well & lazy. I tell her to be as lazy as she feels inclined, for she is now having

HILL COTTAGE, *Niton*
CHORLEYWOOD,
HERTFORDSHIRE *Isle of Wight*
Aug. 1, 1911.

My dearest Mr. Hearst.

I am afraid many weeks have passed without my having sent you a letter.

This time my silence is not due to the usual cause of a very busy & occupied life, but owing to the fact that I have not been well & often felt very disinclined to effort of any kind.

The fact is I am suffering from a form of rheumatism in my knees, which prevents me from doing scarcely any walking. It began about six weeks ago with an attack of shingles in one knee which was very painful & made me feel quite ill & weak. I was on a couch for several weeks.

The local doctor found there was trouble of long standing in both knees - a wearing away of the cartilage of the joints, which caused inflammation. I know ^{now} it was going on perhaps for years. That was why I felt such fatigue when having

to make any extra exertion, especially about the house - standing was worse than walking. Still I had no idea there was anything wrong, except advancing years.

I saw a good specialist in London & he advised the same treatment that our doctor in Chorleywood did - a course of radio-electric-iodine treatment, which seems to be much used now in England for such complaints. I had five treatments before coming here & they will be resumed on our return home. I go to London for them.

It must be a very anxious time for our new King, just at the beginning of his reign. We can only hope for the best.

I hope you are enjoying your summer. I think you were going East. Will you be at your mountain home in Cal. at all?

I had a water colour portrait of George Randolph well advanced when I was attacked by this troublesome complaint. I had to stop all painting but hope to be able to begin again when we return home in about a fortnight from this time.

Alfred joins me in much love & his sisters wish to send you kind messages.

Always, dearest W^m. Hearsh,

Yours devotedly
Emmie.

a long splendid holiday. It is so good for <sup>HILL COTTAGE,
CHORLEYWOOD,
HERTFORDSHIRE.</sup> her. She has many ways of employing her hot time for she rides with Wynne nearly every morning & then has to rest. I expect she feels the enervating effect of the Indian climate, even in the mountains.

Phoebe has made, with friends, many expeditions up to the snows, where they camped for a few days. This greatly delights her. The scenery is most splendid & there are no tourists about.

There are pleasant people, some of them musical at Dharmasala, where Twebe lives, whom she often sees & visits.

There is nearly always some engagement in the afternoon or evening.

She seems to be having a delightful life in a quiet way. Wynn writes that having Phoebe there puts a different complexion on everything for him.

I am so thankful that so far, her trip & been so pleasant & trust it will continue so to the end.

She & a few other ladies will go to the Durbar & be accommodated in the Gurkha Regimental Camp.

I expect that will be a very fine & interesting thing to see.

We are now in the midst of dreadful political disturbances & Heaven only knows what will happen in this country. Our Constitution is to be destroyed, either without or if necessary, with the unlimited creation of new Peers. It is a terrible thing. We think civil War not unlikely, especially if Home Rule is granted in Ireland. John Redmond is the Dictator & the present Government is at his mercy, as it is ^{only} the Irish vote in the House of Commons that gives it a majority.

as he has no sons) & he owns a yacht.
We shall probably hear more about
the family soon. Phoebe writes that
Evelyn is well educated, ^{intelligent & sensible} quite a
good musician, writes poetry & is
fond of out-door life & riding - the
things she will get in India.

Wynne hopes to be married next
year before he returns to India.

I should have written to you at
once, only Wynne mentioned that he
was writing to tell you.

I hope you are very well. We are
at home again, after our delightful
stay in the Isle of Wight. I am better
though still unable to walk much.

I hope to resume my treatment soon.
Much love in which Alfred joins.

What dreadful things have been going on
all over ~~the~~ Great Britain - one feels unsafe.
Always yours devotedly
Emmie.

Have you heard that
Colonel Waller has
been ordered to Mare
Island? He, Clara &
their youngest son
have just arrived
there

HILL COTTAGE,
CHORLEYWOOD,
HERTFORDSHIRE.

Aug. 30, 1911.

My dearest Mr. Hearn.

Cons. 10/X/11.

I expect you
have already received a letter from
Wynne, to announce his engagement
to Miss Evelyn Burton.

We heard the important news
about ten days ago & it came
as the greatest surprise to us,
as we had not received a hint
of what was going on. I believe
in fact that it was decided

rather quickly & suddenly, as Phoebe even was not expecting it so soon. She is quite delighted with the engagement & is very fond of Evelyn, having seen a great deal of her at Dharmasala.

Dear Wynne seems supremely happy. We hear from a soldier friend of his that he congratulates Wynne on his engagement to the "beautiful & charming" Miss Evelyn Burton, whom he knows well.

This is pleasant & we feel happy about the engagement. Miss Burton may return to England in the

late Autumn, or remain in India to see the Durbar & return with Wynne & Phoebe in February or March. She is eighteen years old & one of five daughters. Her parents live at Southampton. She is staying at Dharmasala with an aunt, ^{Mr. Sykes} whose husband is a Commissioner in India. Mr. Sykes is a niece of a Dr. Walker, a nice man Alfred has known for some years. Dr. Walker & Alfred are joint hon. Secretaries of the golf club in Chorleywood.

I don't know what Evelyn's father does or is, but he has property somewhere (which is entailed unfortunately

where the pay is better -

I don't know whether this change in Wynn's plans will affect Phoebe's movements in any way, but I hope she will not come home yet - She expected to accompany Wynn to Delhi for November & December, as Wynn has an appointment there in connection with the Durbar - I hope his marriage will make no difference to Phoebe in this respect, & that she will also go with the young couple -

Our sisters asked us to come on here for a day or two from Southampton, as we were so near -

They have taken a house here & intend giving up their house in London -

HILL COTTAGE,
CHORLEYWOOD,
HERTFORDSHIRE.

Niton

Isle of Wight

Oct. 3, 1911

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Dear

My dearest Mr. Hearsh.

I hope you will not mind a letter written in pencil - We arrived here last night & I got a chill during the journey - am spending a few hours in bed to keep warm, but feel much better -

I wish to delay no longer writing to tell you that Wynn is to be married in India on the 12th of this month -

It has all been decided during

the last few days by cables between
the Burtons in Southampton, Wynn &
Evelyn's Aunt in Dharmasala -

The chief reason why the wedding is
taking place very soon is because
Wynn has reason to think he may
get some appointment in the early
spring which would prevent his
getting to England to be married.

Evelyn's Aunt is soon leaving for
a very isolated part of India where
^{& Evelyn was born & coming to England.}
there are scarcely any Europeans -

So it has been decided to have
a nice little wedding at Dharmasala
^(the Aunt)
before she goes, where there are many
friends & Wynn's Regiment is stationed.

We all think this a good plan & then
the young people will have no sad separa-
tion -

Alfred & I have been spending two days
with Mr. & Mrs. Burton at Southampton -

it was our first meeting & very interesting

We found them such nice people &
felt quite in sympathy with them at
once. They seem very pleased with
their daughter's approaching marriage -

The other daughters are very nice girls.

Mr. Burton will make his daughter
a small allowance & hopes to give
some presents from time to time - so I

hope Wynn will get on, especially if
he obtains some staff appointment -

in Chorleywood furnished for a few months. If we cannot do this we will put a care-taker in it & go to the mildest place in England we can find, to Leamwall, probably -

I have filled up all my letters with news about ourselves -

I hope you are very well & have spent a delightful Summer, with your grandchildren about you -

I hope also that the new building is getting well rented -

Letters sent to our Chorleywood address will reach us, as they would be forwarded from the Post Office - Alfred joins me in much love - I know his sisters would send theirs did they know I am writing -
Ever dear
Mrs. Heath
from Leamwall & Emmie.

I am sorry they are going to live so far ^{HILL COTTAGE,} away from us, ^{CHORLEYWOOD,} but they ^{HERTFORDSHIRE.} are fond of this place - think a country life will suit them better. When they wish, they can always take a furnished flat or house in London for a few months -

I think I wrote you that I have had much trouble with my knees for several months. I have been under treatment & am thankful to say I am now very much better - A good

specialist in London has given me his advice, which I am still following - When I saw him last week, he talked to me about Alfred, whom he had recently been golfing with -

The doctor says Alfred wants a complete rest & change of three months - He thought I ought to be told & I feel such a warning, coming from the source it does, should not be ignored -

Alfred has been working too hard since taking up this added duty of Organising Secretary of the National Service League - It will be a great pity if he has to lose the appointment entirely, as it is remunerative - I hope he can get a few months leave - ~~Then~~ In any case, however, we must go away somewhere, whether he loses his appointment or not. We may go to the South of France if we can let our house

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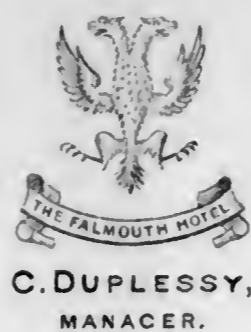
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things kept coming which he felt he
must attend to before leaving, in
connection with his National Service
League work. Now he has arranged
for most of it to be done by others
during his absence - he can rest
a great deal while we are here. He
needs it - was greatly strained &
overworked. I am thankful that
good doctor warned us before Alfred
broke down. I trust now he will
soon be in his proper & natural
state again. He must never under-



The Falmouth Hotel,
Falmouth,
Cornwall.
Nov. 22, 1911.

Nov. 21-12.

My dearest Mr. Hearst.
He left London yes-
terday morning for this charming
place. It is quite lovely here -
this hotel is beautifully situated,
right on the sea.

I think your birthday comes
early in December, so I send a

few lines to wish you many
happy returns of the day.

I have lately heard from
Clara, who tells me of her visits
to you at the Hacienda, how
much they enjoyed it & how
beautiful your house is.

I am so glad to hear she found
you looking very well & I hope
your health is satisfactory.

I wrote not long ago in answer
to your long & kind letter of Oct.

11th. In that, I told you about Wynn &
Phoebe & sent you a description of the
farmer's wedding from Phoebe's letter.

I also thanked you for having
written months ago, ^{to} them to suggest
their coming home via S. F. & paying
you a visit. You will hear from Wynn
& Phoebe no doubt, as I told them of
your kind suggestion. I only wish it
could be carried out, but it is im-
possible.

I am thankful to have succeeded
in getting my dear husband away
from home. It was so difficult as

Please address any letters to Chorleywood,
as we are not at all settled here
yet & may go to some other place in
Lanarkshire.

Alfred joins me in much love.

Ever yours devotedly,

Emmie.

Clara said she heard of Wynne's
marriage from you. I had also
written to her about it & taking
place soon. She must have received
that letter just after seeing you, unless
it miscarried.



The Falmouth Hotel,
Falmouth.

take so much again, even if he
has to give up the paid part
of the work. It was because he
did not want to lose that, which
made him undertake so much.

But I know now it has been at
the expense of his health & it must
not go on, after we get home.

I am so sorry we could not

let our house furnished at
Chorleywood for a few months.

However, a tenant may be found
& I arranged things somewhat be-
fore leaving, so that it can be
got ready in case anyone takes it,
without our returning. I left our
cook in charge.

I have brought all your grand-
children's photographs with me & hope
to begin painting on the portraits

as soon as we get settled in some
rooms. I had nearly finished a
water colour portrait of George Randolph
before I was taken ill in the Spring.
That will soon be finished & I might
send it to you without waiting
for the others - Is there any friend
of yours leaving England or France
for America, who could take it over?
It will not be bulky, as I would
not have it framed - It would go
safely flat, between pieces of card-
board.

14:17

ELIAS, EMILY WYNN

1912-1917, n.d.

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This is good for me, as I cannot walk very far on account of my knee trouble - I am better, but not well.

We expect to stay here until about Feb. 20th when we return to Broadway.

If Alfred is well enough he will take up his work for the National Service League, but if not, he will resign.

Our children have had a most delightful & interesting time at Delhi during the Durbar. They are now back at Dharmasala.

Wyman did not receive your letters, the first suggesting that he & Phoebe should return to England via California.

Esmond, Gyllyngdune
Falmouth, Cornwall.

Jan. 8, 1912.

Ans. 5/11/12

My dearest Mr. Hearst.

I wanted to write to you some time ago, to send our good wishes for a happy New Year. I am sorry to tell you that I was prevented for some time from doing so, by the serious illness of my dear husband.

We arrived here on the 21st Nov. for Alfred's health. He did not

seem well - on the 7th of December,
just a month ago, he was taken
with a very bad throat attack,
rendered more severe by his
general low condition & he was
very ill for a fortnight.

I must say it was very discourag-
ing & depressing, after having left
home for his health, to see poor
Alfred so ill.

We have been most fortunate to
be in a house where we have very
nice, comfortable & sunny rooms,

good servants & a most kind and
attentive young landlady. Alfred
had every comfort & I was able to
nurse him - there was a good doctor.

I am thankful to say Alfred
is gradually regaining his health
& strength & he begins to look like
himself again. He gets out for short
walks twice a day.

I think Falmouth is a charming
place & the climate is so mild.
I sit out of doors nearly every
day, on the beach & in other sheltered
places & enjoy it so much.

I hope you are in good health & that
all is well with you & yours.

Alfred joins me in love & best wishes
for a very happy New Year -

Ever, dearest Mr. Hearst,

Yours devotedly
Emmie.

I sent off a little calendar,
which should have reached you
soon after Christmas.

+ the second congratulating him
on his engagement. He was so sorry.

I sent you his proper addresses
in a former letter, but in case
they did not reach you, here is
one that will find him:

Captain A. H. Wynn Elias.
1st H. G. O. Gurkha Rifles.

To Messrs. King, King & Co.
Bankers

Please forward
Bombay.

There now seems every chance that
we shall have the happiness of seeing
Wynn & his bride this Spring -

He has not yet received an appointment, so there is every probability that he will get his leave. He needs it & has not been in England for more than four years. It is sad, these long separations from our only dear son.

You will have heard from both Wynn & Phoebe about your kind suggestion that they should return via Cal. & pay you a visit. I wish we could make it possible for them to do so.

During Alfred's illness I had to stop all painting, but I had nearly finished the water colour portrait of

George Randolph before that & have been working on it lately, so it is almost complete.

I will not send it off now, as I may hear from you as to some way of getting it taken to America.

I received a letter from Mrs Weeks in Paris a few days ago & she tells me of the death of Mrs Humphrey Moore from pneumonia. Very sad for her poor husband, who depended so much on her.

Clara seems to be leading a very pleasant life in California & she enjoys being in her old home again.

College cost over \$1,000.00

My health does not permit me to do much housework, or we should long ago have dispensed with one servant. That is what I intended doing in this house had I been well.

I tell you all this only to explain why we did not respond to your ^{kind} suggestion that Phoebe should come home via California - pay you a visit. Now you have made it possible.

The Peninsular & Orient S. S. Co. will certainly allow something on the ticket Phoebe had taken for returning to England from Bombay.

I have also received your letter telling me you do not know of anyone going to America now who would take George's portrait. I will keep it - perhaps have one of William's to send with it later.

HILL COTTAGE,
CHARLEYWOOD,
HELFORDSHIRE.

Feb. 27, 1912.

My dearest Mr. Hearsh.

Your kind letter of Feb. 5th reached me soon after our return here - was forwarded promptly from Falmouth.

It is indeed good of you to make Phoebe's visit to you possible & I know how delighted she is to hear you expect her.

As soon as I received your

letter, Alfred cabled to Phoebe to tell ^{her} you expected her - would defray the extra expenses. We thought it necessary to let her know soon, in case she might not have received your letter, as she had changed her abode in India - was staying at Poona.

Alfred also sent you a telegram saying how pleased we are that you wish Phoebe to visit you - letting you know where to send the money - viz: Care King, King & Co Bankers. Bombay.

This morning we had a cable from Phoebe in answer to ours,

saying: "Going, cabling you dates shortly which please inform Mr. Hearst."

We will telegraph to you as soon as we know when she leaves ^{Bombay} for California.

I do rejoice, dearest Mr. Hearst, that Phoebe is going to you. We should have arranged it ourselves long ago had it been possible, but the fact is, we have had to dip into capital for necessaries so much, that Alfred felt it would not be right in this case, much as we wished to do it -

Myria's education too at the Staff

strike may be. It is really a great struggle between Capital & Labour. Many of the workers believe that they should have the whole product of their labour for themselves - this theory is carefully fostered & spread by their leaders. The tyranny of labour is the worst, because it is ^{often} the tyranny of ignorance.

Alfred joins me in much love, & in warmest thanks for your great kindness to Phoebe. I shall be so glad for her to see Clara & her family, Aunt Emmie & other relatives, & dear California.

I am forgetting to tell you that my knees are wonderfully better. The mild climate of Cornwall did me so much good. I enjoyed being there so much & so did Alfred -

Ever yours devotedly
Emmie.

I enclose a notice of Wynn's wedding which is from the Parish Magazine in the park of Yorkshire where Evelyn's parent come from. Mrs. Burton thought you might like to have a copy.

HILL COTTAGE,
CHORLEYWOOD,
HERTFORDSHIRE.

She is no doubt arranging all about that.

I must now tell you of a great disappointment we have just had in hearing that dear Wynn & his wife are not coming home this summer after all.

Wynn has received a staff appointment at Rangoon in Burma, & will probably go there at once. I am afraid it is a great disappointment to them

too, as they were packing up
& had passages on a troop ship
sailing for England the middle of
February - Wynn was longing to
get home, but he says he may
still be able to do so late this
year or probably for certain next
year. So we must all be patient
& look forward to a meeting some
months later.

I know how happy Wynn will
be to hear Phoebe is going to you.

We returned home on the 21st
Feb. I am happy to tell you
that my dear husband is much
better than when I last wrote to

you. He will not undertake so much
work as he did before, but others
will do it, so I hope he will be
able to keep on with the most
important part of the work for
the National Service League. This
country needs to be put in a better
state of defence on land, which
is what the League works for.

We are now just on the brink
of one of the ^{most} serious industrial
struggles ^{in this country} that has yet taken place
in any part of the World.
If it is not arranged within the
next few days it is impossible to
foresee what the results of the coal

Alfred keeps fairly well, in spite of having a great deal of work to do. He is certainly much better & stronger than when we first returned home from Falmouth.

It is so nice having warm summer weather now & we enjoy our garden & verandah. Rain is much needed however & farmers are rather anxious about their crops.

I am so glad to hear that Aunt Emmie is now staying with a friend in Oakland. She always enjoys her visits there & in S. F. so much, & seeing many old friends. I hope Phoebe has had an opportunity of seeing her.

Now dearest Mr. Hearst good bye - We send our best love & warmest thanks for your kindness to Phoebe. Alfred wrote to you a little time ago. I sent Phoebe a letter yesterday.
always yours devotedly
Emmie.

HILL COTTAGE,
CHORLEYWOOD,
HERTFORDSHIRE.

May 20, 1912

My dearest Mr. Hearst.

I want to thank you for so kindly sending us a telegram last week, announcing Phoebe's arrival in San Francisco, "all well". This was such a great comfort & relief to us, for we naturally felt anxious, after the long voyage she had taken, to hear how she was.

We look forward with so much interest to her first letter from California.

It seems quite impossible for me to realise that Phoebe is now with you. I am so glad I have such splendid photographs of the Hacienda & entrance court, together with some views of the interior. We look at them & can imagine Phoebe walking about & enjoying those charming surroundings.

I have received a letter from Clara this morning & she tells me of the delightful musical party she & Littleton had been to at your house, & how lovely everything looked. She seems to be enjoying her life in California very much & has a great many social pleasures always to occupy her

time, which she much enjoys. I was so very sorry to hear Clara never received my letters, giving her all the details of the time of Phoebe's expected arrival in S. F. & name of the steamer. She only heard of it from others. I think one of my letters may have gone down in the Titanic - that most awful catastrophe.

I hope you have some of your little grandsons with you for the summer. I know how you enjoy their presence.

I am now working on a portrait of William & hope to have it ready to send to you with the others when an opportunity offers.

of Cornwall seems to have done
us both good, for I am told I have
never looked so strong as I do now.
My knees are wonderfully better,
though I feel any great extra
standing or moving about the house.

I hope your son & his wife are sparing
you some of the dear boys this summer.
I have nearly finished a miniature
of little John, which I have made to
fit a charming old miniature frame
you sent me some years ago.
This will be ready to send to you too,
when the opportunity offers.
How sad we all are, owing to this aw-
ful "Titanic" disaster.

Alfred joins me in much love. I envy
you, seeing our dear Phoebe & trust, so
soon, & I envy Phoebe, being able to see your
dear self. Always yours devotedly
Emmie.

HILL COTTAGE,
CHORLEYWOOD,
HERTFORDSHIRE.

April 23, 1912.

My dearest Mr. Hearst.

This letter will
reach you a few days before you
see Phoebe. It is almost impossible
to me to realise that fact - it
seems too wonderful to believe
she is really going to California.
The last letter from Phoebe was
written at Colombo, where the
steamer stayed some hours &

she went on shore with some ladies she had travelled with from Bombay. Phoebe was enjoying the new scenes. The voyage so far had been smooth, but very hot.

I expect this weather will continue until she leaves the shores of Japan which she will do on April 27th.

The draft you kindly sent Phoebe arrived in Bombay the day before she sailed. An old friend of ours at Poona had advanced her some money so that she could make arrangements for her voyage at

the end of March. This was probably to enable her to get on her journey before the greater heat came.

Wynn & his wife seem to like Rangoon & the ~~letter~~^{former} finds his work interesting. It is a hot place, very different from the beautiful mountain station where Wynn's regiment is & where Phoebe spent last summer. I do hope that Wynn & Evelyn will keep well.

Alfred continues to improve in health & people think he looks much better. The mild sea air

We are both well & very busy, as usual - I help Alfred when I can, but he has valuable help from several secretaries - Even so, he is sometimes rather overworked - Nevertheless, he is much better than he was -

I have nearly finished William's portrait too.

This is such a pleasant season in England - the birds sing so beautifully & the days are very long, & usually mild. I can enjoy the verandah & have breakfast there nearly every morning.

I will write to Phoebe in a day or two.

With best love, in which Alfred joins, to you & to her, ever, dearest Mr. Hearst,

Yours devotedly
Emmie.

HILL COTTAGE,
CHORLEYWOOD,
HERTFORDSHIRE.

June 16, 1912.

My dearest Mr. Hearst.

Phoebe has described to me all the beautiful dresses & other wearing apparel you have so kindly given her. How very good you are!

I like to think of her going about with you - I know how happy she is, from her happy letters.

I am sorry you found her so thin on her arrival, but I expect

she soon recovered her normal amount of flesh. She never has been very stout, at least since she was quite a little child -

Perhaps she will get fatter in California.

The Y. W. C. A. Conference was a source of great interest & pleasure to Phoebe. What a chance it was for her to gain some experience & knowledge of the "Feminist Movement" in the United States in all its branches & aspects! I know she enjoyed meeting & talking with so many students & other workers in America.

What a splendid camp you gave the Delegates & how they much have enjoyed the time at Pleasanton.

I hope you were not too tired after all the exertions & entertaining you must have had in connection with it.

Phoebe seems delighted with California, & no wonder, getting her first experiences under such delightful circumstances & in such beautiful surroundings.

I received a charming letter from Aunt Emma, describing her meeting with Phoebe & the happy day she spent at the Hacienda during the Conference.

last few years of his life, so that they could see what his abilities - fine character were -

The National Service League too paid the highest tribute to the splendid work he had done for the cause - this was really his chief ~~work~~ occupation & I am afraid it was very arduous.

His life was very full of interest & Myra thought his Father was so much better for it. His poor heart though was too feeble. For him there was no suffering or anguish. We bear that - I am thankful for his dear sake. -

They tell me I have been calm & brave, but if it is so, it has been with a broken heart. You know how much we were to each other.

HILL COTTAGE,
CHORLEYWOOD,
HERTFORDSHIRE.

Jan. 7, 1913.

My dearest Mrs. Hearsh.

I have not written to you since my terrible loss. Phoebe has sent you several letters & she entreated me not to do any writing during the first few weeks, except letters of the most casual or business description - I know she was right. - I acceded to her request -

I cannot tell you what the dear child has been to me during

this awful time. She has been absolutely splendid & unselfish & capable & I scarcely know how I should have borne it without her.

I will not repeat any sad details of my dear husband's death - I was quite unprepared for the suddenness of it, although I had known for some time that his heart & arteries were not in a normal condition - The doctor did not warn me - he says it would have done ^{no good} ^{made me very unhappy} but I cannot help thinking I might have been more careful had I known the gravity of his

condition & influenced him to work less. Alas! a precious life was slipping away at my side & I did not realise it, although I felt anxious - My dear one looked so wonderfully young to the last & was always so energetic & hard-working that I am afraid too much was asked of him.

He was so loved & respected by everyone who came in contact with him - I have had most touching letters voted in committee to be sent to me by all the public bodies he served for the good of this place - I am glad he came in contact with a great many of his fellow men, during the

sad letter for you to read, but
I know you sympathise deeply
with me & you knew my dear
husband well.

Poor Wynn was deeply grieved to
hear of his father's death by cable
on arriving in Rangoon. He is so
thankful he was able to come home
last year & see his dear father once
more & show him his sweet wife.

Phoebe joins me in warmest
love -

Ever your devoted
Emmie.

Mrs. Eliza

HILL COTTAGE,
CHORLEYWOOD,
HERTFORDSHIRE.

I so very deeply appreciate
your great kindness in sending
the sweet telegram of sympathy
from New York, as soon as you
heard & also in sending such
substantial pecuniary help.
Very many thanks, Dear Mr.
Hearsh.

We have stayed on quietly & here
during the last five weeks
since the sudden blow.

We felt it better not to go away at once, as coming back later would have been too dreadful.

Now we are gradually realizing day by day, ^{my} that our lives must be passed without our dear one & it will be easier to bear when we return.

Just week Phoebe & I are going to Nitow to spend some time ~~at~~ with my sisters-in-law. They asked us to go sooner, but have waited patiently until we felt it best to go.

I shall be glad for dear Phoebe's sake to go away (and for mine) as she does not seem very well & looks thin - the shock & strain have been severe & she took everything she could on herself to save me as much as possible.

My brother-in-law Mr. Ellis Elias has been most kind & helpful & made all the business part quite easy for me. I have much to be thankful for.

Now dearest Mr. Hearst I am afraid this will be a



P. & O. S. N. Co.
S. S. "Morea"

Aug. 11, 1913

My dearest Mr. Hearsh.

We have now been three days at sea, on our way to India. I am most thankful to be here & not alone at Shorewood. A parting from Phoebe soon after the loss of my dear Husband, would have been very terrible. Phoebe has arranged that we shall not be separated for some time longer. I know a parting must come, later on, as she is married, but I take comfort in what is mine now.

We are having a most delightful voyage, so far. The sea has been perfectly calm ever since we left London Docks on the 8th. This boat is very large & comfortable. I am enjoying the voyage, so far, immensely. I trust we may continue to have good weather.

I had a time of great rush & exertion before leaving home. There was not quite a sufficiently long period between Phoebe's wedding & our departure to enable me to get through

everything I had to do - I was not very strong either, after a long illness - I was most fortunate in letting my house furnished for eight months, from Sept. 1st & perhaps for a year - This takes a great deal of anxiety from my mind, about the house, to know it will be in the hands of such nice people as I have secured for tenants - The rent is low, but it will be a help pecuniarily - & had it remained empty, I should have had to pay for a good care taker -

I had to store a number of trunks & also a great many pictures which were in the studio, on easels & piled together behind a curtain - The space had to be left free for the tenants - I sent away much china too - There is no room for storing at Hill Cottage - the house being small.

I cannot realise that I am going to India, that marvellously interesting country - I shall hope to go & see dear Byron & his wife in Burma early next year. My future plans are quite uncertain & I have no idea how long I may stay in India - it depends on many things. Aside from leaving dear Lulu, there is not any feeling of duty to keep me in England - No one else really needs me. I wish she could return to Portugal, where she has old friends, but that country is too disturbed now.

I hope you are very well & enjoying the society of many friends at the Hacienda - I expect you have your grandsons with you - perhaps your son & daughter-in-law -

Phoebe & Allen seem very happy. I am thankful for it - that my dear child has the blessing of a good husband to care for her. May she long have ~~it~~ it! - She joins me in best love - Miss Peak went to Chorleywood to see us two days before we left, but we were all in London - I was so sorry not to see her. I will write soon again. - Always yours devotedly,
Emmie.

railway. One was very much shaken
- we had very heavy rain on the
way up, which made some of our
luggage wet, but no very great damage
was done.

Allen has taken this house, called
"Janglewood" for a year. It belongs to
the Colonel of the 2nd Battalion of
the Regiment - he has gone to Britain
with the troops for a year.

It is very nice in some ways, but
not nearly so good a house as the one
Allen has bought. Thobe will have
a most charming home, with a lovely
garden, from which there are fine
views of both the valley - the great
mountains.

Janglewood
Dhamsala
Punjab
India.

~~HILL COTTAGE,
CHORLEYWOOD,
HERTFORDSHIRE.~~

Sept. 21, 1913.

My dearest Mr. Hearst.

We arrived at
this place three weeks ago, after a
successful - on the whole, pleasant
voyage - journey. The heat in the
Red Sea was great, but we all stood
it well - were not prostrated by
it.

The sea in the Indian Ocean was
very rough - Thobe & I kept in our
berths - thereby avoided sea-sickness.

I have been so very much interested

in everything we have seen which was new to me & it has done me good. We spent one day at Bombay & saw all we could of the fine city & charming surroundings - Malabar Hill.

We were two nights - nearly two days in the train & I was charmed with the picturesque & graceful appearance of the Indian women, in their dresses, so well arranged; in the groups of people near their cottages or in the fields, which we passed. I thought it all very beautiful.

The heat during the railway journey was fairly great, but it would have been worse, had not rain fallen just before - the country was looking

beautifully fresh and green, this being the season of the monsoon -

I wish I could describe to you the beauty & grandeur of the scenery at this place. (6000 feet)

We are up very high, & look over an immense stretch of country, far below, consisting of ranges of hills & valleys. Sometimes the colouring and effects are most beautiful. We are on the side of thickly wooded mountains & far above, are a range of great rocky mountains, very grand in shape, which will be covered with snow later in the season -

We had sixty miles to drive, in a funny canvas-covered cart, with two wheels & no springs, after leaving the

The military band here is very fine
& it is such a pleasure to listen to
the music. It plays on certain after-
noons.

I feel very helpless, not knowing
Hindustani, but I am studying it a
little & will gradually learn the words
I need most. Phoebe seems to know a
good deal & talks away to her servants.
She learnt when she was staying here
with Byron.

I wish he & Evelyn were here now - they
may come next year, but no plans are
decided yet. I may go to Burma to see
them after Christmas, but I dread the long
journey alone.

I hope you are well & spending a pleas-
ant summer with all your relations &
friends. I wrote to you during our voyage.

Phoebe joins me in best love -

Ever yours devotedly
Emmie.

~~HILL COTTAGE,
CHORLEYWOOD,
HERTFORDSHIRE.~~

Allen & Phoebe will make their
house very pretty, I am sure - they
cannot have it until the end of
next year, as it is let furnished
to the Colonel commanding the 1st
Battalion.

Dear Phoebe seems very happy. She
is busy mastering the details of
Indian housekeeping. I am sure
she will do it very efficiently
when she has a little more knowledge
of the language & some experience.
Her friends give her valuable

help and advice. Phoebe has a very good cook and other servants, all men. She & I share a nice little Ayah, or Lookha maid, wife of one of the soldiers, who comes early in the morning, gives us our tea, which everyone takes in India before getting up, waits on us & makes our beds & dusts.

Then she goes home & returns after lunch to sew or help us dress if we are going out & again before dinner to help us. She is the only woman there is about the house.

Life seems very luxurious in India, where labour is so plentiful & cheap & I am thankful that Phoebe's lot has

been cast where she will be comfortable & not have to work hard, I mean manual work, as in countries where servants are very dear or hard to get, as in Canada or Australia.

She is looking forward to going on with her music and has brought out a good new piano, made especially to stand the climate of India. We sold our two English pianos & bought the new one. It will arrive in a few days.

I occupy a little cottage near the house and am quite comfortable. My bedroom has a door opening on the garden, with trees near. Of course I have my meals with Allen & Phoebe.

I am so glad to tell you that Wynn has just been made Brigade Major at Rangoon. This is quite a good appointment on the Staff - a much better one than he had -

An Essay of his has just been published in the Journal of the United Service Institution of India. It was a Gold Medal Essay - Wynn came out second. His brother officers of his Regiment here seem proud of him. He is certainly doing very well -

I hope you are very happy at the Hacienda. The Spring must be beautiful there with the glorious masses of flowers you have. I trust you are well & that some of your grandsons are with you.

Phoebe joins me in warmest love. I hope soon to be able to give you more satisfactory news of her health. She often needs care & nursing - I am thankful to be here to give it to her.

Always yours devotedly
Emmie.

Janglewood, Dharamsala -
Punjab, India.

April 20, 1914.

Ans'd.

My dearest Mr. Hearsh.

I am afraid it is some time since I have written to you. Each week I hoped to send off a letter. I have not been well & suffered terribly from severe toothache & facial neuralgia, which caused great loss of rest. Finally I was obliged to go all the way to Lahore, a long & expensive trip, to see a dentist. I much dreaded the travelling & arranging everything alone, so Albert kindly sent his bearer or valet with me, which was a great comfort. I had no trouble & quite enjoyed the short trip. Travelling in India is so interesting & the railway stations are so wonderful, with crowds of natives in

a great variety of costumes. It interests me enormously - I have felt much better since my return.

I am sorry to say Phoebe is not very strong or well - she looks delicate - I sometimes feel anxious about her.

She has great hopes of becoming a Mother but I doubt whether it is so - only wish it were, for it would account for many things - However, she seems & is very happy.

I do a good deal of the housekeeping which takes time - There are so many more details to attend to in this country, as most servants are dishonest & steal what they can - No doubt there are exceptions -

I am glad the Winter is over, for although there were weeks of lovely bright days, when

the sun ~~was~~ always hot, the air at night was very keen - the change of temperature very great - I found it rather trying - I think it caused my toothache to a great extent. We are so near the great snow mountains here - the scenery is most grand & beautiful -

I know you will be very sorry to hear that my poor little daughter-in-law has lost her ^{daughter} baby - She was still-born & came a few weeks too soon - There was no apparent cause for the catastrophe - It was a great disappointment, but Myra writes that Evelyn was most good & brave about it - I am thankful to say she is doing well & gaining her health slowly. Her sister came out from England to stay with Evelyn & it was most fortunate - I feel very sad about it -



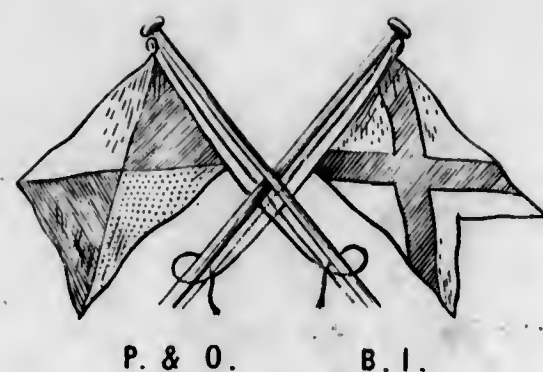
My dearest Mr. Hersh,

You will be surprised to hear from me from ^{where we arrived today} the above address. Our plans changed suddenly - the stupid doctor was quite mistaken about Phoebe's condition & no baby is expected. As soon as the poor girl found this was the case, she felt she could not stay so far away from her husband, as there was no reason for doing it. She applied at once for passages by the last conveyance which leaves Bombay tomorrow - they were granted - we only had a week in which to do all packing & for Phoebe to leave her house in a proper state, with everything perishable packed in sealed tin boxes.

I am very thankful that I have been engaged a passage in the Troopship with Phoebe
so that we can be together as she is not well or strong - I feared I might have to go
different steamers - that would also have been much more expensive

This is very necessary in the Indian
climate. You can understand, dear Mrs
General, that at such a critical time
in dear Phoebe's life, when her husband
is in such danger - she is full of
anxiety, I would not leave her - I am
she is very delicate too
so anxious too about dear Wynn.
If this awful war is over & our dear ones
are spared, in the Autumn I should
much like to go to California if you
can have me there. I might go by sea
through the wonderful Canal.
I will write as soon as we reach
England. I don't know where we shall
be, for I feel that to go back to Hill
Cottage would be too terrible. It will
be hard enough to me to return to
England. I do dread it.
Poor dear Phoebe is very brave, but it
is a terrible time for her. May we all
have strength & courage given us to bear
whatever may come. All your pretty Christmas
cards arrived safely. I will see that Wynn & Evelyn
get them. so many thanks for them. With warmest
love from us both. ever yours devotedly Emmie.

Mrs
General



P. & O. S. N. Co.

S. S. "Caledonia"

The Red Sea. Dec. 21, 1915.

My dearest Mrs. Hearsh.

You see from the heading to this letter, that I am well on my way to India. I embarked at London Docks on Dec. 16th. We have had a great deal of rough weather & I have had many very uncomfortable days, suffering greatly with my head, though not actually sea-sick.

It was very cold at first but now the weather is being delightful & I sit on deck all day & enjoy it so much.

We will be at Aden in a few hours, where I shall be able to have this letter posted. I wished to write to you again before leaving England, but I had a great rush to get off & not very long to make all my preparations.

I now send you my best wishes for a very happy

Mrs. Elina

New Year - for many blessings to you & yours in 1916 -
May that year see the end of this terrible war! that
would indeed be a blessing to the whole World.
Phoebe seems to be keeping fairly well, considering
the circumstances. I expect to reach her early in January
& after about a fortnight's rest ^{after my long journey} we will go to Ashore to watch
the important event. May all go well with my dear child & may
she become a happy Mother, a thing she desires most ardently -
I hope you are keeping well -

With warmest love, always, dearest Mrs. Hearsh,

Yours devotedly

Emmie -

My Indian address will be:

Dharmasala

Punjab

India -

Dear Wynn is still in East Africa & his wife is in the same
country, though not with him.

Allen is now a
Major, having
been in the Indian
Army the required
number of years to
attain that rank.

Wargrave, Dharmasala - Mrs. Elias
Punjab, India - Sept. 24, 1916.

My dearest Mr. Hearst.

It was a great pleasure to me to receive your kind letter of June 26th to hear that you were happy in the society of all your grand-children. I can imagine ~~imagine~~ what a glorious place the Hacienda is to them, with so many things to occupy & amuse them. The fine country air must do them so much good physically. I expect you have the pleasure of your son's & daughter-in-law's presence now.

I am very sorry to hear that the disturbed condition of Mexico has caused you much anxiety & loss. It is to be hoped the country will gradually quiet down now, as some settlement seems to have been arrived at between the U.S. & Mexico -

The condition of war in Europe is indeed terrible. I fear there is ~~now~~ a long struggle still before our Allies, though the progress lately has been good. The victory must be absolute before civilised nations are freed from the

despotic domination which has threatened them - I think right must conquer in the end -

There is a great probability that Allen will be ordered to the Front again - I am so thankful I am with Phoebe & also that she has a dear baby to comfort & interest her if her husband does go - Tony is a really beautiful & charming child - he develops so rapidly & becomes more interesting every day - Phoebe hopes to send you some photos of him soon -

Many thanks for your kind solicitude about my health - I am quite well now, but not yet as strong as before my illness - I did have typhoid, though a mild attack, & I know from my doctor that it takes months to recover entirely from the effects, as the heart is affected by it - I am steadily getting over this & it is only a matter of a little more time -

Wynn is much better, though not yet in his usual health & the doctors say he ought not to return to tropical climates for some time - I hope he will get some appointment in England for the present - Evelyn expects her baby in December & seems to be keeping well - I sent Wynn your kind message -

I have just relet my house in Chorleywood furnished for a year - I have been so lucky in having tenants ever since I left it three years ago, except for the few weeks Allen & Phoebe occupied it last year before they returned to India & then I requested a tenant to leave it - I feel I can never live there alone - The memories of happy years & of all I have lost are too terrible - It is much better for me not to be there - I wish to keep the charming house just as my dear husband arranged it, with his fine taste, for the use of Wynn or Phoebe when they want it - How dearest W. & Hearsh adieu - Phoebe joins me in much love & I am as ever
yours devotedly
Emmie -

Wargrave, Dharmasala.

Punjab, India. Nov. 16, 1916.

My dearest Mr. Hearst.

I wrote to you not long ago, but this is just a note to wish you a very happy Christmas & New Year. Letters take so long to reach California from here that I want to be in time -

I wonder whether you will go East to spend the holidays with your family or have them still with you at the Hacienda. Perhaps some of the children have stayed for the winter.

Phoebe - I now have the entire care of Tony & it is a great pleasure to see so much of this good & charming baby. None could be better or sweeter.

The English nurse was good for him but a horrible demon in temper & insolence. The peace in the nursery after her departure was a comfort, but we now have a strenuous life & the duties with a young child are ceaseless - However, if we find them too much, Phoebe will

try - get some kind of nurse, white, coloured or mixture,
but they seem very difficult to find -

Allen is still here, I am thankful to say, but he is liable
to leave for the Front at any time, but each week is precious
to Phoebe & makes one less to be separated from him -

The campaign is going fairly well, but I fear it will be
a long struggle yet - & still greater sacrifices will have to
be made.

Wynn is still in England & has an extension of leave - I
expect he will be fit for some work at the end of it
even if he is not well enough to go to the Front.

Now dearest Mrs. Hearst I will close, as I have a
great deal to do & this is mail day. Much love from
me & Phoebe & best wishes for happy things to you & yours.

Ever yours devotedly

Emmie.

General letter

Feb. 27

Janglewood, Dhamsala - Punjab -
India. Aug. 8, 1917.

My dearest Mr. Hearst.

I am afraid I have not written to you for over two months. We had a severe earthquake here early in May, & I think I sent you a letter after that unfortunate event. Allen & Phoebe's charming house still stands, but it is so cracked & shaken that they can never live in it again.

I don't know what will happen, but I suppose, if Allen continues to serve in his present regiment, that he will have to rebuild his house.

He has been away since the end of May, where there has been a good deal of fighting - that is over for the present - he expects to return here in a few weeks, but for how long a time, nobody knows. This terrible long war is truly awful -

The splendid help the United States will give in the struggle will hasten the end I hope, but it is a long way off still. I wonder whether you feel the effects of War in California yet. Out here we do not realise it, as there are none of the privations & restrictions in food as in England - I often feel anxious about dear ones there -

Wynn seems to be much better & stronger in health & he hopes to be given some light duty soon. The dear baby Richard seems to be doing well. I sent Wynn your kind message about having received his letter & hoping to write to him -

Phoebe has built a nice wooden hut in this garden, near the house, where we all sleep & feel much safer than in the house. The monsoon is in progress & we have most severe & constant rain & everything is so damp. Dear Tony has been feeling it & did not take his food well for some weeks, especially as he was cutting four teeth at once. Now they are through & he has a good appetite & is doing well. He is a most amusing & charming little person. He has beautiful golden brown ^{hair} which, the longer it grows, the tighter it curls all over his head. I hope you are quite well & have your son & his family with you as last year. Phoebe joins me in much love -
As ever, dearest Mr. Hearst, yours devotedly,
Emmie -

until he returns to work or enters
Sandhurst ^{as a cadet}, according to the
result of the examination. I
trust it may be the latter case.
He would be so happy to have a
soldier's life before him. If we ever
see him in an honourable position
in that profession, it will be entirely
owing to your generous help, dear Mrs
Hearst, for we could never have
given him the necessary education
otherwise. Thobe has done good
work during the term & now she
is much looking forward to pay-
ing some visits to old School friends
in Tonbridge during the holidays.
We thought of you on your birthday.
I hope you have enjoyed the week in Rome.
With our united warmest love,
Always your devoted
Emmie.

Thanks.

36 Kensington Park Road
London W. Dec. 9th

My dearest Mrs Hearst.

Your kind &
charming letter reached me
safely, & it gave me more pleasure
than I can express. I so much
appreciated your goodness in
writing it yourself, when you
have so much to occupy your
time - I feel very glad, dearest
Mrs Hearst that you are pleased

to have Phoebe's miniature & like
the work. It is so encouraging
to me to know you feel proud
of what I have done & very good
of you to tell me so.

I am anxious to see your
photographs & hope they will be
good, so that I can begin the
miniatures at once.

It is such a pleasure to us all
to think of seeing you next
May. What a delightful plan
you have for the winter. I
am so glad you are going up

the Nile, for I know it is a
trip you have always wished
to accomplish.

Dear Wynn's examination is
all over, except practical
Chemistry, which takes place
next Monday. He has been ⁱⁿ a
calm & cheerful frame of mind
through it all & hopes he has
done fairly well, but of course
he cannot tell how he stands
among so many. The exam-
ination is competitive. He will
now have a good rest, either

You are right and to move Aunt Susan till Papa returns

discouraging after years of such hard work to be able to do nothing with one's knowledge. However, hundreds of clever men have starved before us, so we must be patient.

Dear Papa was so kind & insisted on my taking five pounds this morning I left Sheffield. I did not want to take it, but he made me -

I wish you would send me a lock of your dear hair. I have Papa's and to have both put in a locknet together. Please don't forget this. Your best letter burn this note.
Ever your devoted child
Emma

My dearest Mother. Private
As you think it best not to let all the world know our misfortunes, just as I think too, I write a few lines privately. Our trouble is with the underwriting, which is having almost an unprecedented run of disasters & ill luck. As you know, ^{my} chief income has been from this source - the business, instead of giving an income has been a source of loss to

Alfred for nearly two years
past. He went up to London
not long ago to ask advice
about giving up the thing
altogether. He was advised
not to do so just now,
as the sum required
to close up in the present
bad state is very large.
If he did leave it, there
would be no chance
whatever of ever redeem-
ing our lost fortune.

Papa thought he certainly
ought to keep on. It is all
a lottery & is a cause of very
great anxiety to us both,
but we must hope for the
best. It may get better or
may keep on in this bad
way, lose us still more
money. No one can say.
If only Alfred could sell
pictures a little we could
do very well, but alas!
that does not come. It is

to see my people - but before
leaving Paris, I received such a
heartrending letter from my mother
saying she could not stand another
winter in Portugal that we changed
our plans - Any money that Alfred
can spare I felt must go towards
her support out winter & I shall
try to have her come to Paris if
possible - so we will not part.

I am disappointed, as I was
looking forward to seeing them
all, especially my father, he is
getting old & no one knows what
sorrows may come in a year -
Still circumstances seem to
order otherwise.

My mother has just written to
say that Clara is not at all

My dearest friend,
It has indeed
been a treat to me to have
a letter from your own hand.
You are very kind to give
me even a few moments, when
I can so well imagine the
enormous calls you must
have on your time and
strength.

You are very kind to give
such details about the
mines. Alfred did not
know that Mr. Heust was
also interested in the "Ontario"
or he would not have thought

of troubling you in regard
to it. He wishes me to
thank you.

I was indeed surprised
at what you say in regard
to my father. If ~~such~~^{such} a
thing could ever be, what
a blessing to them all.
It seems too good to think
about almost.

My dear friend, did I for
a moment give you the
^{in one of my letters} impression, that I flattered
you for giving my brother
hope. This was as far from
what I meant as possible.
You will know how much

you have been to her, & without
your generous aid & sympathy, I
don't know how she could have
borne up so long - I was simply
because I know that she stakes
all on this hope, that I mentioned
it to you. I am sure you
will understand me.

I received the "Examiner"
you sent me some time
ago, & am delighted to see
that there are ambitious
plans for Mr. Hearst. I do
sincerely hope all will
turn out well.

You know we had intended
going to Lisbon this Autumn

will ~~it~~ that she would like
her to come here for the baths.
This we could not do, as we
took this house with Alfred's
sisters for the summer, & there
really is not room for Clara.

So Alfred told me to write &
say that if she needs the
baths, he will defray expenses
for herself & Mamma to go to
the seaside for some days.

She has her choice between that
~~or~~ a visit to us in Paris, on
our return there.

My husband is not stingy -
if he had means he would
I am sure do all in his power

Mm. Eliza

Private
Mrs. Howard

for my people - but under
existing circumstances, you
know I don't like to tax him
too much - This is a subject
that never ceases to cause
me anxiety - How I wish
my sisters could find good
husbands - The future is really
so uncertain for them, that this
is much to be desired -

They are studying hard + Lulu
wrote me a letter in French last
week, very creditable for the
time she has been studying -

I hope I am not wearying
you with all this, still I feel

so like having a long talk about
it all with you, + this is the
only way possible -

Don't let all those silly,
stupid, dressy people in S. F.
take every bit of life out of
you - They would soon learn after
a few lessons to let you alone
except on your day for
receiving them -

I really must say good bye
now - Please destroy this letter -

With warmest love, ever your
loved
Cammie -

Alfred & I will enjoy so
much working together in
the south of Spain - here it is
much too cold.

I trust Will is quite well
again - Give him my love
& say I am delighted to hear
of his studiousness & devotion to
his dear Mother -

For my dearest friend I
will always be the parent -
You will hear from me
very soon again - I feel so
truly grateful to you now, for
it is through you I have
found my dear husband who
makes me so happy - He is
much better now - I hope
you are also improving - I did
not see Miss Doyell in Paris this
last time, having so much to do but
I sent the remaining money for the
month of Jan. & some of my wedding cake
& sent a box of it home, which you are to
share - I thought it best to send all at once -

My dear husband is
so very kind & thoughtful
in every way - I am
indeed a fortunate
girl, & feel very thankful
for all my blessings
I don't believe prosperity
is going to spoil me, &
I hope to remain as
much like my old self
as possible (as far as
all old associations are
concerned). You know
better than anyone else
all I feel, and can
understand that I have
seen enough of life's trials
not to be dazzled or spoiled

by sudden prosperity,
such as I have enjoyed
for the past year & a
half, thanks to your dear
generosity -

How I do hope you
may be able to come
to Europe in June! -
What a pleasure we
should enjoy in talking
over all together.

I should feel exactly
like your old friend, -
wouldn't it seem queer
to you to find me
with a husband? -

I feel as if we had

been married a long
time, for all the strangeness
has worn off, and it seems
quite natural for me to be
together -

Madrid & find very
modern - not particularly
interesting, except of course
for the splendid gallery,
which we shall study
carefully -

I hope you will be a
little satisfied with the
sketches I sent - I was
almost ashamed to do
so, for they are so faulty -
but I thought they might be
interesting to you all who will
make allowances through your love.

I have made the most of it,
however, while the opportunity lasted.

I hope you have been able to get
all the necessary work done at
the Hacienda & are thoroughly en-
joying that delightful place.

I trust your health is good - do
take care of your dear self so that
you can come to Europe again at some
future time.

Alfred & Wynne join me in much love
& again thanking you for your letter,

Ever yours devotedly

Emmie

trouble by thinking too much of
his departure, while we are fortunate
in having him with us.

My days are divided between paint-
ing & gardening - the latter I fear
sometimes taking up the greater part
& I return to miniature painting feel-
ing rather guilty after a prolonged
weeding on the tennis lawn. This in-
teresting spot is really improving
very much & the turf is growing thick
& strong, as I expel the weeds & cover
grass. I wonder if you ever helped
to cultivate a lawn? it is really

an exciting pursuit - Alfred is amused at my enthusiasm - he prefers golf, which is much better for him, as he meets pleasant society at the same time. Alfred has also done a good deal of sketching, in spite of the uncertain weather we have had this Summer.

The verandah is a constant source of pleasure & satisfaction to me - in fact we all enjoy it greatly. We have breakfast, lunch & tea there & I do all my painting in the same

place. If you look at the photo I sent you of the back view of this house, you will notice a low wall on the left. That forms a sort of open room at one end of the verandah - here there is a large table, which can be used for every purpose. The evenings have not been warm enough to enable us to dine in the verandah & now we are in September - must soon expect chilly days, when this out-door life will be no longer possible.

be to have him at home again.
My dear Mother seems in better
health now than during the
Winter, but I fear she must be
quite frail & weak from the way
she writes. She & Lulu are going
to the North of Portugal for the
Summer, in order to escape the
great heat. Your generous
help comes regularly, dearest
Mrs Hearsh, & is of the greatest
possible blessing to us. It is
impossible to express our
thankfulness & appreciation of your
kindness. Alfred & the children join me
in best love, & hoping you are well & happy
& that you son is also well, I am as always,
Yours very devotedly
Emmie

of the lady - The first miniature
was also done from a photograph,
being of a man who is dead.

I find this very interesting work.
There is, as you probably know, a
great revival of this charming
branch of painting. I intend de-
voting more time to it & perhaps
may obtain further orders for
portraits. It is rather trying to
the eyesight & I find I cannot
devote more than three hours a
day to it without feeling some
fatigue.

I have lately painted several life-size portraits, those of Lynn & Phoebe among them. They are both considered good likenesses.

Alfred has two pictures in the Salon this year. He has done a great deal of work this winter & has painted some pictures that I like very much.

We have had a mild winter, but the Spring has been very wet & chilly - we are still obliged to have fires all day - I shall be glad when the warm weather comes.

Phoebe is very much interested in gardening now, & devotes all her spare time to digging & planting. She is very fond of flowers.

I hope your Father & Mother are in good health. Do you intend going out to California this summer?

My sister Clara has lately been nursing her children through the measles. They are now well again. Her husband has completed half of his sea service - how anxious she must

my for I am doing some
of the plain things myself -
such as the little night flannels
& my servant & I are hemming
the napkins by degrees & I
have them used about the
house & then washed to make
them softer.

I await that box with all
the pretty things most impatiently
& the beautiful dress you are sending
I too I will appreciate it all
coming from home!

Alfred sends love & intends
writing you -

I do hope you will be able
to come to Europe next year.

Give love to Mr Stewart & tell
& with a large share for your
dear self, believe me as ever

Your most devoted & grateful
Aunt

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What can I say, my
dearest friend, to express
the gratitude I feel to you
for all your goodness to
my dear ones? - I hear
it all & it does make
me so happy - You are
very, very good & I hope
it will one day be in our
power to show how much
we have all appreciated
it -

Of course you know all
about my parents' plans
and can imagine how
very happy I feel at the

prospect of having them
so much nearer to me
I only trust that the
change may be for their
happiness and good.

My dear Mother has had
such a hard life the
last few years that I
am anxious to see
her relieved as soon as
possible & while there is
yet a ~~possibility~~ ^{chance} of
her health being improved
I wait most impatiently
to hear of their plans
& how soon they will be
able to start. You can

understand why we telegraphed
to prevent my Father's
leaving America by him-
self - it would have
greatly complicated matters

had he done so -
Things are going much
the same as usual
with us - Alfred is busy
at his painting and
making progress -

I do as much work as
possible, but find I
get tired very soon &
often have to lie down
during the day - I devote
this time to reading or sew-

The expect to return to
Borleywood in a fortnight.

I hope you are well & en-
joying your home, also that
you have some of the dear
little boys with you.

We all send much love

Ever, dearest Mr. Hearsh,

Yours devotedly

Emmie.

(Incomplete)

I sometimes think it is too
fatiguing for him, but
having undertaken it, he
does not like to give it
up, unless he sees some
chance of this vital question
of proper home defence being
carried through.

I fear, though, it will be
a long time before this
takes place.

So many people cannot, or
will not let themselves
realise the necessity of it.

Phoebe also does a great
deal of the work to help her
father, especially in the
evening.

We have constant news
of Wynn - he seems well -
is very busy as usual

at the Staff College.

The course ends in December
- then, ^{we} hope to have the
happiness of seeing him
at home early next year,
unless something unfore-
seen should prevent his
coming.

Wynn wrote that he had
heard from you not long
ago.

My dear Mrs. Wynne / -

My trip to the north is about concluded, for I shall go for a few days ~~to~~ to Vienna, then to Dresden and Munich, after which I ~~shall go to~~ Paris for a two weeks' ~~stay~~ ^{stay} in September. ^{expect to reach}

I have been looking forward to a delightful visit with you and Lulu in Paris, but Emily's letter tells me of Mr. Wynne's illness, and the necessity for an operation. I sincerely hope that it has proved less serious than you feared, and that he is so far advanced in convalescence as to justify you in leaving him for a short ~~time~~ period.

My own time is now limited, for I shall probably have to sail for America on Oct. 16th, and I long to see you again.

I have had to ~~hasten~~ ^{hasten} my steps more than is well for me, for the absorbing interest of a trip like this does not leave me any margin of time to rest in, so that I am far from strong and very much fatigued.

The preoccupations and exhaustion of rapid journeying during the next month, give me little hope of recuperating fully, but if there is no rest on land for me, perhaps I shall get it on the sea.

I feel amply repaid for coming to the "Land of the Midnight Sun", for, in addition to great beauty of situation, particularly in the cases of Stockholm and St. Petersburg, the museums are a liberal education in themselves.

The National Museum in Copenhagen is chronologically arranged, so that really "he who runs may read." One sees there at first

the tools and implements used in the Stone Age, then come those of the Bronze Age, showing plainly an advance in the mode of living. Finally we see the Iron Age ushered in, the ruder domestic utensils and appliances for the arts of the time becoming more and more perfectly adapted to the need, with ornamentation struggling into beauty or symmetry.

Then, after ~~seeing this~~ ~~these~~ visible signs of the history and growth of the people, as a whole, the Ethnographical Museum, with its scientific arrangement of skulls, plainly shows one the development of the individual, from a creature scarcely human, to the finest type of Caucasian head.

The Zoological and Mineralogical Museums of St. Petersburg are a revelation, for there one sees fossil remains of extinct animals, and then the skeleton of the mammoth, which sets one wondering what physical changes the earth has undergone since that huge creature roamed in frigid lands, while its tiny representative, the elephant, lives only in the tropics. I have seen

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so kind to Emma - it has
been, I can assure you, so
much pleasanter in every
way having her, amongst
friends who understand
her -

I am so sorry to hear that
your son has been so much
& hope he is better - you
also have been suffering -
the change to the milder climate
of San Francisco will I trust
do you much good -
Dear Emma sends her
love to you - I feel sure

3 Rue de Boulayne
Paris 28^e Jan. 1880.

My dear ^{Miss} heart.
I waited very anxiously
for your letter & very glad
we were when it arrived -
I am so sorry that the
working of the telegraph
allowed you to have any
anxiety about Emma's
health - your not having
received her letter, before
leaving for England

Very truly
yours
Mrs. de Boulayne

most sincerely
affected
yours

was the cause of the
misunderstanding -

It is, as you know, a great
disappointment to us both
not having you here for
our wedding; but I can
well understand the
difficulties in the way of
your coming over ^{to} it -

How splendidly generous
you are to dear Emmie -
It is needless for me to tell
you how much she appreciates
your kindness to her & how
much I share her feelings -

It is still unsettled where
the wedding is to take place.
The Coates were very kind
to Emmie when she was
in England, but I don't
know whether they will go
as far as to leave the
wedding from their home -
especially as they have just
been placed in mourning
through the death of a favorite
nephew. but we shall
hear for certain in a day
or two now.

The Ravens have been

from the first, the girl would
be named Phoebe Dora ~~Wynn~~
Eliot & if a boy Alfred
Heart Wynn E.

Today is rather an eventful
one in our life, for I have
just taken an appartement
for three years. We are
both delighted with it. It
is on the boulevard close to
the Park Monceau & consists
of Dining. Drawing. & two
bed rooms & another room
which will be Emma's
studio. It costs us \$35^p month.

3 Rue de Boulogne
Paris 25^e July 1880.

My dear W^m Heart.

It is indeed a
long time since I last had
the pleasure of writing to
you & it is also long since
my dear Emma heard
from you. I can well
understand how after so
long an absence all your
time is taken up & trust it
is passing as pleasantly as

you could desire.

Emmie has been writing so regularly that she leaves me but little to say to you, she tells you all ~~of~~ our doings & all our plans.

The great piece of News she told you when last she wrote & I dare say you were not very surprised to hear it! but she did not tell you that I especially wanted you to be god-mother

to the Child & in the case of its' being a girl (as Emmie says it is to be) to name it Phoebe after you & in the case of a boy Heart; thus to show you how much I appreciate all your kindness to my dear wife & how I wish to perpetuate the memory of it - My sister Dora also wants to be one god-mother & as she took so much interest in our love affair

With kindest regards and
remembrances. believe me
my dear Mrs Hunt,

Yours most sincerely
Alfred Elias.

a rent rather higher than
we meant to pay, but
the situation is so charming
& the rooms so bright & healthy
that we decided to take it &
Eunice is willing to economize
in other ways to obtain so
pleasant a home - do you
think we are very retrograde?

We leave tomorrow for
the Country: it is but a
little village at a wayside
inn on the Marne, some
three hours journey from
Paris, that we are going to

Alfred Elias - July 1880
Godmother August

stay - the scenery is charming
& the ~~low~~ living very
cheap, so we hope to
spend a pleasant & economical
month or six weeks at least
work before settling down
in Paris.

We had a very nice visit
to England & I think Emma
enjoyed it altogether, though
owing to her not being
very strong at the time
she continual going out
by day & night as well as

night - seeing rather tired
her.

When do you think of
returning to Europe, I
hope to see you here again
before long - or do you
intend settling down in
San Francisco altogether?

Emma needs her best
love & care. She feels much
better now again; she has
an enormous appetite about
which I chaff her a good
deal - but she does not mind.

at the prospect of having
her parents over here before
long. although Portugal is not
very get-atable the distance
is short by comparison -

Is there nothing I can do for
you in Paris? you know how
glad I should be if I could
be of any service to you -

I enclose a little card,

& remain

Yours very sincerely

Alfred Elton

Emmie sends her best love
& will write in a few days

6 Boulevard de Courcelle
25^e Dec^r 1880.

My dear M^{rs} Hunt -

I cannot let this
day go by without writing
a few lines to wish you
all the compliments of
the season & especially a
very happy New Year, and
many happy New Years after
the one that will now & soon
be here. I also avail myself
of this opportunity to thank
you again for all your kindness

Alfred Elton

to my dear wife & to tell you
how much I appreciate your
goodness towards the little
Elsie that is shortly to make
his or her appearance -

Emmie writes so often to
you that I ~~am~~ ^{am} afraid she has
told you everything that can
interest you as to our mode
of living & our little "installation".
She makes a capital manager
& finds housekeeping a much
less fearful undertaking than
she expected - we have a very

good little servant & you
know how much that
facilitates everything -

I have just been working
at a portrait of Emmie, if it
turns out at all satisfactorily
you shall have a photograph
of it - She is wearing a black
lace Mantilla which is very
becoming to her.

Is there any chance of your
coming over to Europe again
soon? we should both be
so glad to see you -

Emmie is of course delighted

To Mr. Elias 1890

were again on terra firma.

I enclose a check, but I am at a loss to know just the amount of money expended. The offer was five hundred and sixty francs, but the charge for packing, for shipping, and for the mineral water must be included. At any rate, I will send eight hundred francs, and if that sum is not sufficient, will you have the kindness to let me know how the account stands?

When I shall have regained my strength I will write to Lulu and Emmie; in the meantime, I send a great deal of love to them and to the children.

Again thanking you for your kindness, I am,
yours most sincerely,

Phoebe A. Hearst.

1400, New Hampshire Avenue,
January 27, 1890.

My dear Mr. Elias:

I am delighted to have an opportunity given me to answer your letter, of date the twenty-first of December.

As you know, every moment of my time is allotted; and, for the past week, upon me was a painful sense that mental power was clogged by the insatiable epidemic which has spread over all the country. My system was in no condition to resist its insidious assault, and I could take no method of silencing the monster other than the one I took - the needful help

and advice of an excellent physician,
and perfect rest and quiet.

I endured considerable fatigue, while
in California, owing to the serious illness
of my father; and I nursed Will. through
an attack of the influenza. I also gave
personal attention to scores of things that
needed doing.

I am glad to know that you are
about to hoist anchor and start for
Archachon, where you may take refuge
for a time, and where I trust Wynnie may
be restored to health.

I am very sorry that you are to be
disappointed in your visit to Lisbon. Can
you not induce your sisters to remain with
the children for a short time, that you

and Emmie may enjoy your trip?

Allow me to thank you for the lovely
etchings, after Herrier. It was very kind
and thoughtful of you to thus remember me,
and I prize your gift most highly.

I am much pleased to know that
you found a coffer for me, and I consider
the price most reasonable. From your
description of it, it must be very beautiful,
and I presume that I shall have the
pleasure of seeing it soon. Mr. Marr
and Mr. Peck arrived at New York on
the 25th inst., having been fourteen days
at sea and having encountered fearful
storms. I had become most anxious about
them, and was greatly relieved to have
a telegram from Orrin stating that they

Arrebalde - Curitiba.

Portugal 2nd March 1891

My dear Mr. Heart,

The news of your
sad loss has just been received.

It is impossible for me to say
anything that can in any way
mitigate your great sorrow. Still
in our greatest trials it helps
~~us~~ ^{us} to bear them better, to feel
that we possess the real
sympathy of loving friends
& that part of our sorrow is
shared by others -

It is needless to say that we

all, is dear Summie & her
father & mother, sympathetic
with you most deeply -

I trust that your dear
husband passed peacefully
away & that you were able to
be with him at the last.

It must be a great consolation
to you to feel what a happy,
useful & successful life his
has been, & even in your sorrow,
to remember how much he
has been appreciated by his
fellow citizens -

I hope I have not encroached
too much upon your mourning
& trusting that your health has
not severely suffered from
the effects of this dreadful
shock.

I am, my dear M^{rs} Hunt

Your devoted friend

Alfred Blair.

Please give my love to Lulu -
& to Clara & Lettice if they are
in Washington -

Dear Summie has written to you
enclosing her in M^{rs} Wynn's -

~~My dear~~ Cambridge -
★ FEB 6 1895 ★
A. Elias

My dear M^{rs} Heart
Dear Annie

& Phoebe wrote to you letters to
be received by Tues, I take advantage
of this day of Goodwill to send
you greetings, which I hope will
reach you on or about New Year
day - May you have very many
happy & prosperous New Years &
renewed strength & health to
enable you thoroughly to enjoy
them -

We have spent a quiet though
very happy Tues day, being all,

I am happy to say in good health
& dear Emmie & I free, owing to
your generosity, from the wearing
anxiety of the past few years -

The holidays are now in full
swing, the children are greatly
enjoying them after having both
done very well during the past term
& made considerable progress, Wynn
in his mathematics & Phoebe in
her music -

Mr. Wynn & Lulu had a terrible
passage to Lisbon on their return
& poor Mr. Wynn must have

suffered intensely -

We are both hard at work, I
having just finished two
moderate sized pictures & ~~just~~ ^{am}
beginning on a another one, Emmie
has nearly finished a pretty one
of a girl ^{with a hoop} resting amongst some
wild flowers -

I am very sorry you are not
coming to Europe next Spring
as we both looked forward to seeing
you there again -

Emmie & the children send
much love & join me in all
good wishes for the coming year -

I am ever
your most sincerely
Alfred Ellis -

well, the children are growing
apace & both are, I think,
working well & as good as they
can be - Dear Emmie is
a little tired, she does so much
& is not very strong - The fortnight
we spent at the sea-side at
Easter however did her a great
deal of good -

Emmie has been doing some
very good work indeed & is
constantly improving; she is
now painting the portrait of a
young lady, a neighbour, which
I am sure will be successful -

about Collier's Dry Hill - Toulidge
26th April 1846

My dear Mr. Heart,

At last I
have found a Collie dog
for you that I hope ~~you~~ will
arrive safely & that you will
like -

He is only three months old
& has some of the very best
Collie blood in his veins, his
father being a grandson of
the celebrated Champion dog
"Helipse" & his mother the
granddaughter of Mr. Meglons

equally celebrated Champion
dog "Natchly Wonder" which
was sold for over £500 -

He belonged to a shepherd
in this neighborhood, who had
him from ^{off} Lord Derby's estate.

I went to the largest dog-show
in London & to the Collie Club
show at Westminster, where
Ernie went with me & could
find no young dog that I liked
so well -

As he has been living alone
with the Shepherd & his wife,

who shed many tears at the
idea of parting with him -
he may be a little shy at
first in a town, but he will
soon get accustomed to general
society I've no doubt. He
seems to be smart playful and
affectionate -

Evans & Allen are shipping
him off tomorrow & they will
advise your agent in New York.

I do hope that you are
now quite strong again - We,
I am thankful to say, are all

as a souvenir of our very
happy stay in Paris last
Autumn -

besides having painted some
charming pictures & made a
very good portrait - life-size - of
me - Emma would not
send to any Exhibitions this
year, she has been, most
unjustly I consider, refused
some years in succession & she
feels these refusals to such an
extent that it really interferes
with her work, I think she is
quite right not to send at
present, but to work steadily on
& a day will surely come when
the exhibitions will ask for her
pictures! They would now, I believe

if they knew her work better -

I have been very lucky this season, having a large one - 6 feet long - well placed at the Royal Academy, a small one at the New Gallery & two rather large ones at the Champs Elysees Salon - I will send you photographs of some of them soon -

We are all so sorry you are not coming to Europe this Spring -

I have not forgotten about the books, but there have been no opportunities about here

of late - I shall collect books for you relating principally to the fine arts -

Ernie joins me in much love & the children also send their love -

Both Wynn & Phoebe enjoy their bicycles so very much, Phoebe rides very nicely now -

I am ever,

Your most sincerely,

Alfred Elias -

P.S.

The Dog's name is "Hero" - I would you to accept him from me

as foreigners to have much
chance - Burne Jones, in
my mind, is the most notable
man for the position, but he
has mixed a little with his
fellow academicians that his ^{great}
merits as an artist may be
over-looked - Watts would
not be likely to accept the
honor of President, otherwise he
is the only other artist whose
achievements would place him
on a par with Burne Jones - i.e.
amongst the older men -

Dear Emma has told you
all the news & how much we
enjoyed our stay by the sea

Dry Hill - Tonbridge
27th Sept: 96.

My dear Mr. Hunt -

Many thanks
for your kind letter of the
14th August, which reached
us while we were at the
sea-side - I note what you
write about collecting books,
I only wish there were something
I could do for you, to show
you how much I appreciate
your great kindness to us -

It is a great comfort to me
to learn that, "Deedee", to
call him by his new name,

has turned out so satisfactory
& that he is such a favorite -
I trust that after the election
affairs will settle down in
the United States & that
prosperity will again become
general - Business here has
also been very unsettled
& the Eastern question, which
looks a little less threatening
to day, prevents any immediate
improvement -

It must be a great satisfaction
to your son & to your friends that
his paper is so successful &
likely soon to prove so profitable

Art in England has sustained
a great loss in the death of
the two last presidents of the
Royal Academy; they will
be difficult to replace, one
for his polished oratory &
distinguished manners & the
other for his talent as a
painter - There is no one
so fitted to fill the office
as either of these two last
presidents & the choice of the
R.A.s will probably fall
upon either Princeps or Pickers
Alma Tadema & Herkomer
being looked upon too much

How much good it did
us all - Emmie has painted
some charming pictures lately,
& I feel sure that some day
she will obtain the appreciation
of the public -

Gym is still working hard in
the hope of being able to enter
the Army; in about two years
from now, he will have to go
up for his examinations. I hope
he will get in but the com-
petition is very severe -

Phoebe is making great progress
with her music & I hope will

Mrs. Ellis

turn out, in time, a really
good pianist. - She also shows
some signs of a nice voice, but
it is too early to judge of that
yet. She is very happy at her
school, which is a great boon.

I must now, my dear Mr.
Heaut, say good bye & with
kindest remembrances,

I am ever,

Yours most sincerely,

Alfred Hers-

the way of well paid positions
& high commands -

Dear Eunice continues to
paint miniatures & I think
them very successful - there is
quite a revival here of the
taste for them - I have just
finished a rather large picture
of which I will send you a
photograph -

Since writing the above your
charming souvenir in the
shape of a Calendar by
Remington has just arrived
please accept my best thanks
for it - I know the artist's work

Elias

Wey Hill. Tonbridge
[cc. Mar. 1898]

My dear Mr. Heart

I am enclosing
a letter for you from Phoebe -
Although dear Eunice thanked
you for your charming presents
to us at the New Year, for us
all, I now write to tell you
how pleased I am with the
pretty photograph frame you
sent me -

We hear from Mr. Wynn
that you are back again in
California & that you purpose
going to Mexico - This argues

it may be some time before
we shall have the pleasure
of seeing you again in England.
I hope you are in good health
& that you will enjoy your
expedition -

What a dreadful catastrophe
that is that has just occurred
on board the "Maine" & what
dreadful suffering & sorrow
it has caused!

You will be glad to learn that
that Wynn & Phoebe are both
well & that both are very
busy working - Wynn for his

examinations & Phoebe at
her music, in which she is
also going up for an examination.
Wynn will probably try to
get into the Marines as the
expenses of living in that corps
are less than in the infantry
& he will not require a long
residence in the Military
Academy - as Wynn is very
fond of the sea I think he
may be happy in that branch
of the service, although there
are not so many prizes in

from his illustrations - He is
very clever & very exact in his
delicateness of horses -

Now that I have reason to
think that you are not
coming over here soon, &
as I have ascertained at
Lewes & Alcester, that they know
of nothing about to be sent
out for you; I am despatching
my "Christmas Card" (rather
late in the day you will say)
in the shape of a Barge Bronze,
which I hope will arrive
safely & that you will like it -

Dec. 3rd 1847
Edw. & Alfred
Cox

you may find it suitable
for some place in your
California Country home -
I have seen articles in the
papers, notably in the "Times"
about the interest you take
in & the help you are rendering
to the scheme for the aggrand-
izement of the Berkeley
University - What a noble
institution it will be!

Eunice & the children join
me in much love & good
wishes -

Ever yours most sincerely
Alfred Elia

Euthusiasm & is decidedly
making a great deal of
progress - Myrm, whom we
miss very much, is very happy
& interested in his work and
surroundings - in a few
months he will be appointed
to a native regiment. On what
that regiment is, depends a
great deal of his future
career.

Lucy & I have sent you
two pieces of old silk, as

16, WARWICK GARDENS,
KENSINGTON.

10th Dec: 1900

My dear Mr. Heart,

I hope this
letter will reach you on
Christmas day & convey to
you all our very best
wishes for your happiness
health & prosperity - You
must know how sincere these
wishes are & how grateful
we all feel to you for your

generosity and kindness to
us. We were all very sorry
not to see you this autumn
& I am sorry you were unable
to see the Exhibition, for from
all I hear it was a marvellous
display & there was so much
of interest in various ways.

I hope you are not now
feeling quite so anxious about

your dear father & that he
may yet be spared to you.
Dearest Emma is very well
& is so very happy living
in London in our nice little
house - she has considerable
success with her miniatures,
so much so that she has not
had any time for other work
since our return from the
country.

Phoebe continues to pursue
her art with industry and

16, WARWICK GARDENS,
KENSINGTON.

Your card & trifling souvenir

I hope they will arrive

safely -

Accept our best thanks for
the plans & accounts of the
New University buildings -
how magnificent these
buildings will be when
carried out - are they to
be commenced immediately?

I enjoy painting in my new
Studio very much indeed - I
have been doing a good many
portals lately which people
seem to like -

With much love & best wishes
from us all for a very happy
Christmas & New Year, believe
me dear Mrs. Hunt

Ever yours most sincerely
Alfred Bras -

16, WARWICK GARDENS,
KENSINGTON.

23rd July. 1904.

My dear Mr. Beant.

I enclose a
prospectus of the hotel at
Eugelberg which I have heard
very well spoken of & to
which we propose to go on
the 9th of August. If you will
let me know when to do so,
I will order rooms for you -
& choose the best I can find
- if we are already at Eugelberg.

Alfred Ellis

I do hope you are enjoying,
& that your health is profiting
by your stay at Marcella box.
There it continues to be warm,
but the weather is far
from unbearable -

Public feeling as to trouble
with Russia is much calmer
today & news seems every prospect
of the matter being amicably
settled -

Dear Emma, Henry &
Phoebe join me in much
love -

Yours most sincerely
Alfred Elton

I hope you have received
my letter written two or
three days ago -

You will be glad to hear that
Phoebe gained a medal
for Harmony at the Royal
Academy of Music - The
distribution of Prizes was
yesterday -

amongst all classes here & the
daily bulletins are awaited
with the keenest anxiety - today
is a trifle more hopeful -

Emmie & Phoebe join me
in much love -

Ever yours most sincerely

Alfred Ellis.

16, WARWICK GARDENS,
KENSINGTON.

10th October 1904

My dear Mr. Heath.

I must thank
you very much for sending
me the cheque for £30 through
Messrs. Armstrong & Co. it
arrived safely a few days ago.

We heard from dear Mr.
Wyse that you had been
suffering from a rather severe
cold; we all hope that you
have now quite recovered from

Alfred Ellis

the disagreeable affliction &
that it has left no ill effects.

Mr. Wynn was looking forward
with great pleasure to the day
he was to spend with you.

I hope the weather was fine.

Meeting you again is I am
sure a great joy to her & I
am so very glad she has been
able to enjoy this great happiness.

We are now all settled
down again to our usual
routine after our most delightful

holiday. We heard from Wynn
yesterday from Port Said - he
was having a very pleasant
journey with several cheerful
acquaintances - & without any
Sea-sickness! he is due at his
destination in two or three
days from now.

Phoebe played at another
Academy Concert on Saturday
last & acquitted herself very
well indeed.

Lady Curzon's illness has caused
the greatest sympathy & interest

must have seen most of
the work now being exhibited
it will be most interesting
to see the familiar works
once again & so large a
collection of them together -
There has also been a most
interesting exhibition of
Fauve's Latour's work - his
paintings & lithographs - not
an exhaustive one, but
still one that shows his
many great qualities & charm.
Good bye, my dear Mr
Heart. Annie joins me
in much love & Phoebe
sends love to her Aunt Phoebe.
Ever yours most sincerely
Alfred Blair

16, WARWICK GARDENS,
KENSINGTON.
22. 2. 05.

My dearest Mr Heart.
Accept my best
thanks for your note of the
13th & its enclosure.

It was so very good of you
to write the day before leaving
on your journey, when you
must have had so much to
do & to think about.

We all hope you will
much enjoy your travels in
Palestine & your stay in
Jerusalem & that you may

Love a pleasant crossing
to Jaffa & back - I wonder
by the bye, whether you are
returning to Egypt or whether
you will go on to Constantinople

London is already getting
very full - the opening of
Parliament & recommencement
of Court functions having
brought many people to town.

Unfortunately the weather
is not very pleasant just now
very cold winds with rain

& heat. Dear Emma &
Phoebe are both very well.
I have been kept to the house
a bit by a cold, but have
now quite got over it.

That dear old Gentleman
Sir W. L. Brooker died last
Sunday - he had been
getting gradually weaker
for some time & passed
away quite peacefully &
peacefully -

Yesterday the great
Whitler exhibition opened.
I hope to see it in a few
days - although I think I

They are in London -

As we have to give up possession
of this house on the 18th Inst, next
Monday we are going to London
to stay until the 2nd October when
we return to Chorley Wood, as the
house there will then be ready for us -
Emmie will then be able to see her dear mother daily.

Some people have written about
taking our house, 16 Warwick Gardens,
furnished for a year from the
end of October & I am going tomorrow
to interview them & I hope come to
terms - They offer a very low rent
but as they do not require the

Heronsgate - Rickmansworth
11th September 1905.

My dear M^{rs} Heant -

We were all so
delighted to receive your letter
from your Mountain home;
it was so full of sympathy
that it was most cheering -
there is only one thing that it
lacked & that was any reference
to your own health - I hope
that was because you have
not to think much about
it now being quite yourself

again - under any circumstances,
by the time this reaches you
we trust you will be quite
well -

You will be glad to hear that
Phoebe is much stronger &
better & it seems that as far
as her, & our health, is concerned
our present move into the
country is right -

I have taken a small house,
furnished - at Shirley Wood, for
the winter & we go into it on
the 2nd October, it is near the

Railway Station so as to spare
Phoebe as much fatigue as
possible going to & fro her work -

I don't think she will require
to go to London more than two
or three times a week -

Emmie has been in correspondence
with your daughter-in-law, ^{about} ~~with~~

the miniature of the dear little
baby - photographs are being
taken & it is to be hoped that
dear Emmie will be able to get
^{who is now in Torquay with Mr. Wilson}
a glimpse of the baby, while

Good bye, my dear Mr. Heart,
Emmie will be writing to you
in a few days & will tell you
the result of my interview with
the applicants for our house -

Will you please address all
future letters to me at the
Junior United Service Club -
Charles Street - S^t. James's
London

With much love from us
all,

Ever yours most sincerely

Alfred Elias -

Alfred Elias
1905

studio it would suit me very
well to let it them - I shall be
very glad to have my studio
for showing my pictures & for
storing them - I have accumulated
a good deal of material here
for painting pictures from during
the winter -

Mr. Wynn & Lulu are still in
London - Mr. Wynn is very sorry
she will not be here when you
are in London in November - She
keeps fairly well but is very
feeble - Lulu has decidedly
profited by the Christian Science
treatment - I think they leave London

about the end of this month & stay
some time in Paris on their way
home.

I hope you will much enjoy
your travels & that your visit to
Mexico will be both pleasant
& profitable.

I am glad to say that we continue
to get good news of Wynn - a
few days ago I sent him out
some regimental saddles of his
to Bombay - this may mean that
he has some thoughts of returning
to India before long? but things

seem rather unsettled in East
Africa - the rivalry that are taking
place in German E. Africa may
well spread to our protectorate
& Uganda -

I have no doubt there is con-
siderable interest in India just
now from various reasons; the
partition of Bengal seems to give
rise to much ill feeling - I can
not help ^{thinking} feeling that it might
have been managed in a much
more conciliatory manner, so as
not to wound any patriotic
feeling of the Bengalis, if even
it was really ^{an} indispensable act.

in India next month. It
is nice to feel that his Commanding
officer in Uganda wants him
to stay here, & that his Colonel
in India wants him back
here! I hope his returning to
India will prove to be for
his benefit in every way -

Lucie & Phoebe are I
am glad to say both well
& send you their best love

Phoebe is full of energy &
is practising with much
enthusiasm & is making
much progress -

Good bye my dear Mrs
Heart - "bon voyage & bon
retour" - Yours ever most
sincerely Alfred Elias -

Rosebank - Chorley Wood -

6th January 1906

My dear Mrs Heart -

In a few
days you will be starting on
your pleasant journey to the
South of Italy & Sicily & I
do hope that you will thoroughly
enjoy it & derive much
benefit from your travels &
rapture in those delightful
regions - I hope you have
received the three books on
Southern Italy that I have sent
you, perhaps at the end of

of rather remembering you
with literature - but if
you only glance at them,
or get some information
from them that might otherwise
have escaped you, I shall be
quite satisfied. I consider
I was quite lucky to get
Hares Cities of S. Italy as it
is out of print & I tried several
quarters unsuccessfully -

Was it not odd, that when I
was at Stamford, the
Geographical Map & Bookseller
looking for the book for you,
Miss Heron should come in!
I had no idea she was over here

& she tells me she is going to
seriously study the history in
London -

As you will have seen, we
here are in the throes, almost,
of a general election & I am
afraid the present Government
with Campbell-Bannerman
at the head of it will receive a
majority - The country does not
seem ripe yet to accept
Chamberlain's fiscal policy
nor to understand his
imperial ideas as regards
binding our Colonies more
closely to us -

We heard from dear Wynn
a few days ago - he returns to
his regiment - the 1st Gurkhas -

H. Elias

The Mount. Chisley Wood.
Herts. 21st September 1906

My dear Mr. Heart

It was so
nice learning from you a few
days ago that you were
likely to be in London again
towards the end of this
month. I do hope we shall
be able to get a glimpse of
you -

Many thanks for your
enclosure, which Lizzie
acknowledged when she
last wrote.

I am sending you a ticket
for Grosvenor House, in
case you should have time
or inclination to see ^{the}
pictures there, or if you cannot
go perhaps some of your party
might avail themselves of it.

Should the date not suit, you
might gain admission with
the card on some other day or
I could get the day altered
for you -

Our home is getting on
quietly now & I hope we

shall be able to get into it
some time in November. It
would be nice if you could
come down here & have a
look at it -

We are getting good news
from Wynn, who is now
back with his regiment at
Dharmasala -

With much love from us
all always
Yours most sincerely
Alfred Russel.

London. 14th Dec^r. 1906.

My dear Mr. Heaut

I have just
sent off to you in hopes that
it may reach you at
Cherbourg The Bishop's Office
a book which has had a
great vogue here, & which
I hope may help to make
a few hours pass pleasantly
during your journey - I
also send a book for your
little Grandson -
At the same time I need

My very best wishes for
a very happy Christmas
& New Year & for a pleasant
passage -

Ever yours most sincerely
Alfred Blair

14:19 ELIAS, PHOEBE WYNN

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Sat. shipped.
Tonbridge

Dec 12th 1895.

My darling Mrs Hearst

I was very
glad to hear that you
had a nice passage, I
hope you are quite well
now. My holidays begin
to-day week. We are all

Ans 24-12-95

Phoebe Stearns

Wm O'Brien

We are all going up rides with Wynn.
to London to see the Pan- I am very glad to hear
-tomme this Christmas. that Annie and Agnes
It is going to be Cinderella are well, please give them
this year. It is very cold my love. I am sending Agnes
now, I hope we shall have a card.
skating soon. I am delighted Good-bye with much love, and
the bicycle is coming, it is wishing you a very merry Xmas,
so kind of you to give it I remain, your loving little
to me. I shall go for long namesake
Phoebe.

Phoebe Elias

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P.S. The photograph I enclose is one of the finest spots
which I took in Tonbridge.

St. Valentin, am August 7th 1899.

My dearest Mrs Haast.

I must write you
a few lines to tell you how much
we are enjoying our delightful trip.
I hope you had a pleasant journey
back to America.

It was so lovely seeing you again. I did
enjoy having you in London, & hope you will soon come
to England again.

Was Agnes quite recovered by the time you got back?
Please give her my love, & say how very disappointed I
was not to see her with you.

St Valentin auf der Haide is a charming little village
& we have all enjoyed our three weeks here immensely.
I suppose Grandma described it in her letter to you?

The little children here are so quaint; they are dressed
exactly as men & women, even the three-year-old girls
have their hair braided up, & quite long dresses, just
like their mothers.

And they all work so early in life.

Every night several children between 2 & 4, go up
to the pastures & bring down the goats, & come down
each with his arm round the neck of his special pet!

Yesterday some little women of about 4 were washing
clothes at the village pump, with their sleeves rolled up!

My gold medal has been sent me. It is a very nice one, & I only wish I could
show it you!

We enjoy the beautiful lake so much; we have hired a little boat, & row constantly. I must tell you a little about my Camera. I was very pleased to find that eight, out of my first roll of a dozen, were successful. I quite expected all failures at first. I send you a rough print of one of my first. I am sorry not to be able to "finish it off", but as we are abroad I can get no proper materials. I did not develop the films myself; it seemed hardly worth while to buy all the things just as we were coming away. I am taking a good many here, & I do enjoy it so! Everyone tells me it is such a good Camera.

The print I enclose is one of horses resting under a heavy load. I think I shall have all the films I have taken abroad be developed by the Kodak Company, as I should very likely spoil them myself, & start developing on ones that are of no value. I think you will be sorry to hear that I have lost my dear little dog "Rex," which you saw in London. It was really punishment for his wickedness. He stole some fish & swallowed a lot of big bones; he was very ill for a fortnight, & though Mamma & I nursed him constantly, he died. He was such a sweet dog, & had charming little ways, & we were all so fond of him, it seems quite a loss to lose him, & I miss him so much.

Wynn has to leave us on Friday, & goes to Sandhurst alone. It is a pity he has to go, & we shall miss him.

He has enjoyed his trip immensely.

We go with him as far as Innsbruck, from whence he goes on to see Munich, & then home. We are staying a little longer at a Bavarian lake.

We all join in very best love, & thanking you for giving us so much pleasure.

We hope you are well. from

your loving - Phots.

their commissions earlier
than was expected, partly
owing to the war. Anyhow
Wynn will be going to
India, & not to South
Africa. Please give my love
to Annie & Agnes.

With much love & good
wishes to yourself, & hoping
you are well.

Always, dearest Mrs Hearst
your very affectionate
namesake

Phoebe

Phoebe Elias

8 Harwick Gardens
Kensington London
Dec 3rd 1899

My dearest Mrs Hearst,
To day, I think
is your Birthday, &
we have all been
thinking of you, and
we have drunk your
health, & all wish you
very many happy returns.
I am sure you were
very pleased to hear that
I gained the Scholarship at

The Royal Academy of Music. We are glad to find that besides the musical studies, German, French, Literature & English are taught. I am to commence studying in January, & am much looking forward to it. Wynn is with us just for Saturday & Sunday: he leaves Sandhurst in about a fortnight, when he will be at home until he goes out to India, some time after

Christmas.

We are much looking forward to getting settled in our new house: I shall have a tiny sitting-room to myself! I think Mama & Papa are going to give me another little dog. I think I told you that the little one that you saw had a tragic death.

Dear Grandma is so pleased about my success!

The first sixty of Wynn's Company at the Military College will be getting

beautiful.

I am now spending a week or two with some charming people, a most ideal old couple, the Grandfather and Grandmother of a very big family. They have a very pretty place right in the country, & there are any number of cousins and friends staying in the house, so it is very gay. We spend our days

August 23. 1906.
To Lady Rendel.
Ricklewood,
Charlwood, Surrey.

My dearest Aunt Phoebe.

It is very nice to think that you are now in Switzerland. I do hope you are in some lovely quiet little place enjoying yourself and not doing much. I am anxious to hear what part you have chosen to go to this year, & hope Mother will get

Some news of you soon.

I have had holidays for a month now, and have been enjoying them immensely. We all spent a week in Brighton with an old American friend, we all enjoyed it, especially Mum who had not been away from

home for nearly a year.

She is so fond of the sea, & we spent a good deal of time on the beach.

Since then I have been away paying visits alone.

I spent two weeks with my father's sisters in a tiny village on the coast of Cornwall. It was charming country & the beach was

to their homes in the Shemo.
I wonder if you have heard from
Wynn since he arrived in India.
We wrote and told him all
about our lovely glimpse of
you when you were in London.
I did love seeing you that
evening. I don't know when
I spent such a happy day.
I daresay you can hardly
imagine the difference your
great kindness made to the
enjoyment of the new house.

Rickellswood,
Charlwood, Surrey.

in tennis, driving and
motoring, & I am enjoying it
very much. There is a
violinist as well as a 'cellist
here so we do some playing
together.
a certain number of the
party, (of whom I am one)
sleep out of doors or on
the balcony, which is nice

these warm nights.

I think you would be quite amused if you heard the number of compliments that are paid to your liberty dress! Everyone admires it so much & wonders where I got it! The daughter of the house has a little cottage nearby where she has six poor

London children who have just come out of hospitals for a fortnight at a time during the whole summer. I think I never saw such a nice way of spending money. We often go down to the cottage and play with the children, & they are so blissfully happy, always in the air, swinging & playing. I think the only horrid part of it must be sending them back

Rickellswood,
Charlwood, Surrey.

You know Father was very
worried about it, & thinking
of taking the work away from
the good architect or spoiling
the plans. Since we saw you
we have been enjoying every
brick with a clear conscience!
It looks charming so far, & it
is so nice having it done
by a really good man.
We so & look at the progress

Shirley
Eleanor
1906

made" in building every day.

I wonder if you have Agnes
with you now. I hope you
have good news of your
grandson. There is a dear little
boy here, who says he wants
to be a gardener when he
is a man "because it is
so safe". He is the little boy
I think I told you of, who

at the Coronation asked his
mother if there was going to be
a new knave, as well as
a new king & queen.

I will now say goodnight,
as it is very late.

With a very great deal
of love from

Gives your loving

Phoebe.

to see California & hoped that I
might one day pay you a visit
and seeing something of India
has made me keener than ever
on travelling.

I don't think Mother would be in
the least nervous about my
travelling alone if she knew that
Wynn is quite confident of
my being able to do it, and
strongly advises me to go if it
can be managed.

Mother's second and more
important objection is that she is

Delhi.

Nov. 13. 1911.

25/11/12
Dearest "Aunt Phoebe":

Two days ago we
received home letters telling us that
Mother had had a very kind
letter from you, ~~tell~~ and that
you had written to us out
here asking us to pay you a
visit on the way home.

I am sorry to say to say that the
letter never reached us.

It is so exceedingly kind of you
to invite us. Wynn is writing

to you himself, and I am now writing to discuss the possibilities of my being able to accept your most tempting invitation.

Mother says she wishes so much that I could pay you this visit.

She is evidently quite keen on the idea and thinks there are only two drawbacks to the plan.

The first is that she wonders if I could manage changing steamers at China or Japan ^{by} myself, but she adds that could probably be

managed and arranged for by my agents, Knigs.

Wynn says that I could quite easily travel by myself and that there would be no difficulty about changing steamers.

I am quite an old lady now twenty six years old, and I managed to get to India by myself quite safely, so I am not afraid of the journey if you would like me to go to you.

I should simply love to pay you a visit. I have always wanted

Delhi. It is very full of tents
r dust and motor cars.

It is delightful being with Wynn
and his charming little wife, and
we are all very happy together.

We move into camp today.

It is most wonderful and exciting
to think that there is even a
remote possibility of my seeing you
in California before very long!

With a great deal of love

Always your loving namesake

Phoebe Wynn Stias.

P.S. There will probably be plenty of Americans
going home this spring from seeing the
durbar, & I could make friends with some
on board!

anxious about the expense.

It is quite true that I could
not possibly afford to go to you,
much as I should love it,
unless the P. & O. Company agree
to change my 2nd class return
ticket to London for one to
take me as far as China or Japan.
I am writing to ask them about
this and to find out what the
additional expense would be, and
will write to you again when I
get their reply.

Besides this, even if they do agree to change my ticket I am afraid I could not know whether I could afford to go beyond, until for some time after the durbar.

I do not expect to leave India till about the end of March although Wynn & his wife may leave in February. I shall not be able to tell for some time yet what my expenses of being at Delhi for the durbar will be.

If you approve of my trying to

pay you a visit would it matter my not being able to give you a definite answer for some time, on this account?

I do hope to hear from you very soon, we shall be most anxious for a letter.

This address will be right until we leave India.

to Captain Wynn Elias.

1st Gurkha Rifles.

Dharmasala.

Punjab.

I am immensely enjoying being at

P.S.

I am so sorry, Wynnie's bearer
has spilt something over part
of this letter. I won't stop
to copy it out as I want
it to catch this post.

I shall have to travel alone
if I go straight back to
England, as Wynnie and his
wife would get passages on
board a troopship, and I have
a second class P.O. return
ticket.

never be thankful enough that I came home first, it is too awful to think I might still have been away, & mother all alone. As mother has said every day poor darling in her worst grief, "we have so much to be thankful for" I need not speak of the pain of that terrible shock, nor tell you how cruelly we miss him, for that you know only too well. I am so very thankful that mother cannot blame herself for having allowed him to overwork, as the doctor said it would have made practically no difference if he had led almost the life of an invalid, & he would have been ^{made} utterly miserable by that, he was so active & keen on his

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HILL COTTAGE,
CHORLEYWOOD,
HERTFORDSHIRE.

At Dec. 15th 1912.

My dearest Aunt Phoebe.

You have always seemed almost like a third parent and I know how you will be sharing our sorrow & so does mother. She was so comforted to receive your kind cable of sympathy & love. It really does help & comfort at such a time as nothing else can. Mother sends you her love, she will write to you very soon, but just at present I want to do it all for her.

My dear Father died of cardiac degeneration. We knew his arteries were thickening but we never thought it might cause sudden death.

The doctor said that he knew there was a chance of this when he saw Father about a year ago but it was not certain & he thought it best not to tell him or us, as nothing could be done. He had not had a weak heart till the last years & you will remember how very young for his age he always looked.

We are thankful on the whole that

we did not know, now that the first dreadful shock is already far enough away to ~~enable~~ enable us to be so intensely glad that he died without any suffering, physical or mental.

It is far far better that we should all have been as happy as we were right up to the last, & that

Wynn's last days with his dear Father should not be spoiled by fears of a last farewell. You can

imagine too how thankful we all must always be that Wynn did come home in spite of such short leave,

& that Father knew Iodys & was fond of & proud of Wynn's wife.

You will know well too how I can

I have never seen husband & wife
so absolutely united.

She was so quiet & good & brave
& did everything I asked her.

She promised me not to go in
& see him till I had been first
& seen that he looked happy.

The two maids were so very kind
& helpful, they could not have
been nicer. It was they who very
cleverly rang up Betty on the telephone
so that she could tell us before
we arrived at home. I need not
dwell on that journey nor on that
terrible home-coming to our charming
little home where we have been so
happy. I had never seen death
before but he looked so utterly beautiful

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CHORLEYWOOD,
HERTFORDSHIRE.

work. You know his whole heart was
in the National Service League, he was
so patriotic & felt it so vital for the
country to be properly defended. He was
organising Secretary for this county, & that
& the municipal affairs he loved took
his whole time & strength. The latter only
occupied one day a week, but the
N.S. L. was all day & every day. He
was on the Hospital Board & represented
this district in the District Council.
The latter were honorary positions but
he was paid £150 a year by the
N.S. League & it was an enormous satis-
-faction for him to be able to make that

as he could make practically nothing
by his painting. He enjoyed all this
practical work so much & did it so well
& knew he was being useful, & we
feel that all these new interests
made the last years of his life very
interesting and happy.

He had been well in general health
lately as all his friends had remarked
last Monday mother & I went up to
London for the day, with my great
friend Betty Rendel who had spent the
week-end here. We left him well.

We saw Aunt Loula & went to the
station in time to catch the 6.50

train home. There we saw Betty, who
dragged me a few yards away
from mother & told me. I hardly
knew how we told her, but she
heard me say I felt as if the world
had stopped, & she guessed at once.
She asked Betty to go down with
us, which she did, & was a great
comfort. The guard was very kind
& put us into a carriage alone.

I simply cannot tell you how
brave & wonderful my darling
mother was & has been all
through these terrible days.
You know what they have always
been to one another, so devoted
in every way, & never separated.

several times to be with us, & my dear little friend Betty has stayed two nights & is a great comfort. I am more than thankful that we did not go to the funeral. He was buried at Brookwood Cemetery by his request, amongst his own family. It is much better for mother than to be here. His friends & fellow-workers sent heavenly flowers, they seemed a help & to express him so well, & mother & I spent some sacred hours walking up & down where our dearest lay covered with flowers, talking about him. You know in cases like this people either feel they must get away from the empty house at once or feel they cannot leave it & all its memories.

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CHORLEYWOOD,
HERTFORDSHIRE.

contented & happy that one could not help feeling a wonderful peaceful almost divine influence as well as the loss & longing. That and mother's sweet brave way of facing the hardest trial of her life have prevented even these days from being ones of black despair. There were some very terrible moments, the worst were that first night & when they took away the dear coffin on Thursday but thank God even those moments pass like others; it

comes almost as a surprise & relief that they do. She was unfailingly brave & sweet & showed marvellous self-control. I can never be thankful enough that I was able to be with her & never leave her. I never leave her for an hour & we sleep together. The doctor came soon after we arrived & was so kind & helpful.

My dear Father went up to the Golf Club at about four o'clock that afternoon, he was talking with people there, & suddenly said he felt very giddy; he fell down & was gone

immediately, with no pain. We are so thankful she was spared the still greater shock of seeing him brought home. Everything was arranged by the time we got home. That first she did not sleep at all, but one of the greatest mercies that has been given us that every night since then we have both slept really well. We often wake up but there has been none of those dreadful sleepless hours. You know what a help health is, & we are both well. My uncle Miss Elias has spent the day with us three times & been most kind & arranges all business. Aunt Loula has also been down

Father, & he did specially rejoice at your kindness in giving me lessons. He was always so anxious for me to go on studying, & hated my having to spend all my strength in teaching. He had already done up the picture he had chosen as a gift for you, & as soon as we can it shall be sent off.

It makes us ache to think of Wynn so far away from home at such a time, he has always been so good to his Father & so fond of him.

Always your loving namesake
- Phoebe Wynn Elias.

I shall always be thankful for my delightful home coming & for these few happy weeks, without a cloud of any kind. You know we had five days all five together.

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HILL COTTAGE,
CHORLEYWOOD,
HERTFORDSHIRE.

Mother clings to our dear little home & cannot bear the idea of leaving it, & I feel the same. I do hope we shall be able to stay on if we are very very careful.

I cannot tell you what a comfort & revelation we have had to help us in the love & appreciation of Father that has burst forth from all classes. Numberless fellow-workers in the N.S. League, on all his hospital boards & councils, people that we do not know, have written the most charming letters of affection esteem & loss. They all say he

Phoebe Elias

was so splendid & successful in his work & all speak of his kind heart & great charm. All classes here too have shown such affection for him & what has specially touched us has been the genuine love & respect felt by the poor people about here.

Altho' we lived in such a small way & did not entertain & lived as quietly as anyone here, we heard that amongst all classes he was so much esteemed & that the poor people loved him better than anyone here. If possible I feel that I love & honour you more

than ever now, I know how he always loved & honoured you, & I realise the unspeakable difference you made to his life & how you helped with the heaviest trial of his life. You know how terribly he felt the loss of his money & it was you & you alone who prevented him from being crushed & embittered by great poverty.

I will write again very soon, we both send our dearest love, it is a great comfort to know from your cable what we already felt before that you are thinking for us and grieving for us. Everything that you have done for me in my wonderful visit to you was such a joy to dear

HILL COTTAGE,
CHORLEYWOOD,
HERTFORDSHIRE.

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Since writing the above I have been to the local bank in response to a letter received and find that they have £60 for Mother which has been paid in at New York. We know this can be from no one but you, & cannot thank you enough from us both for your great kindness.

I will write again soon.

P. W. E.

I am so very glad to have
seen it hanging in your
beautiful home. I have just
received such a nice letter from
Dr. Kate, she is really delighted
with your beautiful gift, it came
as a complete surprise to her
& she says it is exactly
what she needed! I know
too that she is a difficult
person to suit.

I should like to join my

HILL COTTAGE,
CHORLEYWOOD,
HERTFORDSHIRE.

15. 1. 13.

My dearest Aunt Phoebe,
The portrait
arrived a few days ago
& it was unpacked &
hung up today. I must
send you a few lines to
tell you how very grateful
we both feel for your

great kindness & thoughtfulness
in sending it to us.

It gives mother the greatest
pleasure to see it again &

you know it will always be
a joy to us to have.

Mother sends you her best

love & thanks, she will write

in a few days. We are

very busy as we are just
off to the Isle of Wight to
stay a few weeks with my
aunts. I think the change will

do us both a lot of good.

The portrait hangs in the
studio which is our living
room & dining room combined,

so we can enjoy your most
kind gift all day & every day.

I also have very happy

associations with the picture

loss.

Mother has been unfailingly
brave & splendid the whole
time.

I will write again soon.

I do hope you are well &
that the three dear boys are
too. I wonder if George is at
school. With very best love &
thanks for the picture and

everything,

always your loving

Phoebe Wynn Elias.

Phoebe Wynn Elias

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HILL COTTAGE,
CHORLEYWOOD,
HERTFORDSHIRE.

Thanks to her for your
kind gift as it gives me
a great deal of pleasure
to know that my dear
kind doctor has a beautiful
gift from you that she
will always treasure.
I shall go on with all her

instructions. I have only had
one period since leaving
California but Kate says I
must not worry if it only
comes once in three months
as long as I do not do too
much & keep pretty well.
I have been quite well ever
since I arrived except for

feeling rather run down just
lately but that is hardly
surprising, nor is it surprising
if my period has been delayed
owing to the shock we had.
We have now been nearly
eight weeks ^{here} & I think it is
quite time to have a little
change. We felt we could not
leave at once but preferred
staying till we had got
more accustomed to the great

interested in my work &
wishes me to go on giving
time to it.

HILL COTTAGE,
CHORLEYWOOD,
HERTFORDSHIRE.

Ap. 15. 13.

My dearest Aunt Phoebe,

I have forgotten

when I told you the
wedding might be.

The actual day is not
settled yet, but it will
be early in June, either

in the first or second
week.

I am sorry to say mother
is in bed with influenza.

I must write to Ethel.

I will soon write to you
again. I do hope you are
well.

always your loving
Phoebe.

P.S. Until this happened
I was very busy having
influenza, & after that
working at my music.

I found my composition
lessons most helpful &
delightful. I am most
anxious to go on with
whatever gift I have for
writing. Allen is very
musical & very much

P.S. It makes one long so that Father
could have had this happiness, he
would have
liked Allen
so much.

HILL COTTAGE,
CHORLEYWOOD,
HERTFORDSHIRE.

Apr. 25. 13.

My dearest Aunt Phoebe.

It has just
been settled that Allen & I are
to be married on June 14th,
very quietly in London.
We are going for a short
honeymoon to rooms at a
farm house in Sussex where
we used to spend the summers
when we lived in Paris.

How I do wish you could be
with us on June 14th.

I have been very busy as mother
is still in bed with a bad attack
of influenza, she has been in bed
over two weeks. Allen is at his
home at Plymouth, & I am to join
him as soon as I can leave
mother. His mother is a widow
& lives all alone, so I shall not
have a lot of new relations to see!
I am going on with my work &
have a composition lesson tomorrow.
Allen has written to India for

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HILL COTTAGE,
CHORLEYWOOD,
HERTFORDSHIRE.

definite orders as to whether
he must go to Chitral & leave
me at home for a year.
I am afraid I must expect that
he will have to go.
Allen belongs to a clever and very
distinguished family. His grandfather
Sir Henry Allen Johnson Bart.
married a Miss Philipse, of
Philipseburg, New York.
Isn't it nice that he should be

connected with America as well
as myself? He is not brilliantly
clever, but is a most intelligent
capable & trustworthy person.

An excellent manager, as regards
money & everything else, which is
most important as we shall have
to be extremely careful, isn't it?
He is also extremely neat & orderly,
which is an excellent thing for
me, isn't it? I do do wish you
could see Allen, & that he could see
my Fairy Godmother. Best love from
mother & me. Your ever loving Phoebe.

grateful for EVERYTHING you
have done for me and my
dear ones all these years.

The 14th will be a sad day as well
as a very happy one to mother &
me, because we shan't be able

to help longing for my darling
father to share this happiness.

How happy Grandma would be
if only she knew, perhaps they do
know.

Forgive a short letter please today
as we have so much to do. But it
lovely, my wedding dress is partly given
me by my dear Aunt Phoebe? I had it
made (at a shop) of that beautiful piece of
cream satin you gave me the last
night at the Hacienda! It looks lovely.
your very loving Phoebe.

HILL COTTAGE,
CHORLEYWOOD,
HERTFORDSHIRE.

June 4. 13.

My dearest Aunt Phoebe.

The wedding is
to be in ten days & we are
more busy than I can say,
but not too busy to be
happy! All the interest &
business is doing mother
more good than anything else
in the world could, & she

is getting quite strong again.
It is so absolutely lovely her
coming out with us, I don't
know how I could leave her
alone so soon.

I have not heard from you
yet but am hoping every day
for a few lines from you
on such an important event!
That is if you pleased at my

marriage, and I do hope you
are! I don't think you could
help being if you knew Allen.
Oh how I do do wish
you could be here on June
14th, dearest Aunt Phoebe.

I shall certainly think of you
at my wedding & wish that
I could fly to the Hacienda
for a moment, just to give
you a kiss & tell you I shall
never stop loving you & being

that is criticize my work
when I send it him, which
will be the greatest help.

I love to know you are
taking an interest in my
marriage, darling Aunt Phoebe,
& that you are pleased about it.
I shall think of you much on
Saturday. I shall be married
in a dress made of the satin
you gave me, all my trousseau
consists of the beautiful things
you bought me at the White House,
& I shall wear your beautiful
pendant, so there will be plenty of
your loving gifts! Only I wish I
could have you too! always your very
loving Phoebe.

HILL COTTAGE,
CHORLEYWOOD,
HERTFORDSHIRE.

June 12. 13.

My dearest Aunt Phoebe.

Just one line
to give you a whole
heartful of love & thanks
for your very very great
kindness & generosity.
It is quite impossible to
thank you enough for
your wonderful kindness

in sending me the most
useful & delightful wedding
gift we could possibly
have had.

Allen also joins his very
best thanks to mine.

Your generous gift will
enable us to get everything
we could desire for our

house. I will write more
fully very soon, at present I
am busier than words can
say! It was so very

good of you to send me
£20 too for my lessons.

It will be most useful, as
I want to buy some music
to take out with me,
& my master, Mr. Corden,
has said that he will
give me lessons by post,

pleasures for our house that
we could not otherwise
have had. My wedding dress
was lovely, I think I told
you it was made very well
by a good shop of the
beautiful cream satin you
gave me at the Hacienda.
I also wore all the pretty
underclothes which were your
gifts to me, & I am enjoying them
for my trousseau. Your beautiful
pendant that you gave me on
my 21st birthday looked most
lovely on the white dress, &

Chapel Farm. nr Lewe.

HILL COTTAGE, June 27. 13.
CHORLEYWOOD,
HERTFORDSHIRE.

My dearest Aunt Phoebe.

I simply can't
tell you how much
pleasure you gave me by
your sweet thought of
sending me the cable.
I received it on my
wedding morning, & I
can't thank you enough.

It gave me a very great
deal of happiness to
know & feel that you
were thinking of me
& wishing me happiness on
that very important day
in my life. The best thing
of all would have been
to have you there on that
day, dearest Aunt Phoebe,

but as that could not be
your message by cable was
the next best thing.
You have been so very
very kind & generous about
my wedding, I can never
tell you how delighted I
am with your most
generous gift. It will be the
greatest help to us as we
are just starting housekeeping,
& enable us to get many

well & happy.

We cannot stay for long, as

there is so much to be

done before we all three

sail on August 8th

We did not have a large
wedding, only relatives & real

friends, & my uncle gave a

very nice little reception for us

at his flat. Allen joins me

in all thanks to you for all

your great kindness. He & mother

joined in my happiness at your

loving thought in sending the cable.

Always, dearest Aunt Phoebe,

Your very loving namesake,

Phoebe Wynne Johnson

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HILL COTTAGE,
CHORLEYWOOD,
HERTFORDSHIRE.

was very greatly admired.

I don't know if you

remember that when we

lived in Paris we

spent several summers at

a farm house in Sussex,

when we were small

children, & our parents

loved the beautiful country.

I was only five years old

when we left here, but

I always remembered it

with the greatest affection.

Three years ago I came

+ spent the day here, +

was delighted to find the

same farmer's family here.

As Allen loves country, +

being out of doors we are
spending our honeymoon here.

Haymaking is in full swing

+ Allen delights in helping

the farmer + his men, +

I do some too!

The weather has been lovely

on the whole, + we are

out of doors all day

long.

It is a very 'simple life'

honeymoon, but it suits us

both, + we are very