

My darling papa,

I have not anything particular to tell you, as I have related the news, to the others, but I thought I would send you a few words just to inform you that every one thinks you had better not come home as soon as you propose, the general impression is that you are going to stay till autumn, & William knows such a capital hand at business that I don't feel the least afraid of going to the sea-side alone with him to look after my money, & Mrs B. to attend to my property.

Mrs P. Keelpath has asked William & I to go there on Saturday evening to a "family party" I don't anticipate much pleasure, but as you warned me to keep in her good graces, I suppose I must give her the pleasure of my company.

I got a note from Col. Elphinstone the other day requesting one of your photographs for the Prince, & one for himself, I had only one cabinet size

I thought a carte de visite would be quite enough for the Colonel, so I wrote a polite little note & sent the photographs.

I got another letter from Henry Ward asking about some back numbers of Geol. sur. publications etc. I am going to ask Dr Hunt to answer it, he very benevolently invited me to make him useful, but I don't know whether he will relish doing so, in the way of writing letters, besides for all I know Dr. W. may be his mortal enemy - however as faint heart never won, etc, I can but try.

The morning is running so rapidly away that I really must stop.

Your loving daughter
Anne

To Papa

Monday 18th

Prince acts for

Lady Dawson

Photographs