

written to you
to believe he
Always nearest
Mrs Lawson
J. H. S. Atchard
Friend
All the hot Camp
of the May-

I do hope you have kept
strictly to yr promise of not
asking Selwick tomorrow night
if you have anything to do. You
know how vexed I sh^d be if
you did. but Mr you see him,
will you do me a kindness
w^{ch} I sh^d feel to gratefull for,
w^{ch} is, just in a few words,
to try & find out whether he
truly believes in Jesus in a

Saving may - I hope & often
think he does, but don't feel
as sure about it as I long tdo.
he says so, yet does not love
prayer or speaking of those
things as one who knows knows.
N^d, but I make great allow-
-ances for his being young &
reserved, yet long to see him
more decided. I won't be there
you with this, but just leave
it if you find an opportunity
of speaking him a word or two.
If Dr. Dawson N^d be at home
to see him I have time for one

word, w^d it be bothering him
to ask him just by one
pointed question to find out
what he thinks of being, or
w^d like to be. I mean what
profession or occupation.

That is much easier to find
out, but don't let Dr. Dawson
take the least trouble, I dare
say I w^d frankly tell him
at once. Laughing but so
much trouble near two lawyers,
but I don't want you to take
any trouble about it.
But if you w^d see him, just
let him stay half an hour

Go home early please - & he
can talk to George just take up
y^r time or Dr. Lawton's -
It seems like a dream y^r
having been here (to short
a visit) but I do feel it such
a kindness, & value y^r friend-
-ship more than I can tell you.
You must not say or think
I deal in flattery (w^{ch} I consider
insulting & offensive) any ex-
-pression of affection towards
you is just the overflowing
of a full heart, for respect

my own "flesh & blood":

none hold the place in my
heart that you & y^r precious
Husband & the dear Ancestors
do, & I often delight to think
that tho' separated on earth,
we shall be in Heaven together
never more to part.

how you must treat me as
a friend & sister, & let me
know if there is anything
I can do ^{for you} in any way while
you are over here, & if you
stay till the autumn.

I shall hope we may meet again
somehow or other, or if not
practicable, the penny post
will bring us nearer to each
other than when the ocean
rolls between us. If you
will kindly let me know
y^r. plans as you make them,
it will be a pleasure to me
to know where you are.

I saw a sister of Mrs. Chesney's
this aftⁿ who has been living
at Winchester for some years,
& has got the Government

Shirts (for the Army) for the
Soldiers' wives to make, & tho'
not a large Garrison, she had
70 women on her list, & in
one year they made 10,000!
Shirts. She sometimes c^d
afford to give them 1/2 for each
but the chief good it did
was teaching them to work,
& also civilising them, as
she said, those who w^d come
at first in tatters & dirty
querry. soon learnt to come
cleaner & tidier & to change

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their tawdry finery for good
plain clothes, & the weekly
coming into contact with
Ladies & Bible women, softened
& improved them in every way.
Willy went over to Reading this
afternoon to see his brother & re-
turn tomorrow morning. If here
he w^d have sent some loving
message, but Maggie desires
her love & she heard fr^m Addy
today, who sent her love to the
Lawsons, whom she not only es-
teemed, but loved - "with more
affection fr^m myself than I can