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Rock Ferry

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My Dear Cousin

For some
time I have been intending to
write you a few lines in answer to -
your kind remembrance of us last
spring on the occasion of Annie's mar-
riage. We received both the note
of invitation & paper containing the
announcement of the happy event
in due time. But you know how
occasional letters are apt to be post-
poned when the routine of a home
hold duties has to be attended to &
this must be my apology for the
 seeming neglect. Some weeks ago I
also received Helen's photographs
enclosed in her kind note - will

you please thank him for it. I tell
him, it could not be a better like-
ness we think. I hope that
dear Anna & her chosen one may
have every happiness that married
life can give & above all our prayers
by Father's blessing & crown all her
suffering her since she was a child: I
cannot fancy her a sturdy Matron
now. But these things such changes
to the young people especially.
How very nice for her to have
her letter so near for - for it does
seem best when daughter goes
to be companions to the mother to
have to part with them. But after
all as our own dear Mother used
to say. "It is what we have to
suffer!" after all only what we do
ourselves. This little piece of
philosophy must be one of the
best we are taking England must
be better than at first. If we

Lise being here has made a great
difference to me feeling soon at home
& has removed a good many of the
troubles attendant upon settling down
in a new place. El Com & she with all
the family had a nice tour in the
Month of August - through parts of Belgium
& the Netherlands but the trip had an
ending for her & George took very ill
in Paris with a complication of troubles -
later at her relief - the object of the visit
being the most serious - & for a week he
kept a very anxious time about him -
the family were sent home with some
friends who had accompanied them &
Lise remained with him there for
over a fortnight. He stood the journey
home pretty well & was gaining strength
satisfactorily but took cold about ten
days ago & ever since has been ill again
a slight turn of pleurisy set in & he is
weak & miserable as possible today
& am happy to say he seems decidedly bet-

See I we hope with care that he will soon
be quite better. but he has had a
little shaking. We are all very well
Back from town to agree well with the
little folks. I dare say you will be sur-
prised to know that I expect an addi-
tion to our household. about any
day now. I heartily wish the event.

The youngest boy Thomas Scott is gone
a long year. I thought he was to be there
very last. He spent our holidays
in Wales. but suffered a good deal
from heat. I am glad being in Wales.

He will be so happy to see Nellie
when he comes back. I had
hoped he would have started with
us this time but fear now it would
not be pleasant for him. My little
has found a fine strong girl who I would
by her little great comfort to us all.
Maggie is well. I have now seen her
other day. Please give our love to
Aunt & Cousin Nellie. I accept the
loves very sincerely
Cousin Madeline