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affectionately
mum.

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Dearest Mamma,

There is no special news to tell. I had a visit yesterday fr. Lalla Cybura & my Nane who always turn up punctually, on seeing the notices concerning me in the birth column.

As to butter, if it can be got without extra trouble to you I sh^d be very glad of a tinnet, I do not care for a large one, 30 or 40 lbs w^d do, but of course got any sign that the butter seems satisfactory, I shall use it for cooking, so w^d prefer sound cheap kind, & an extra price & flavour - Here the cooking butter from the Grocers is . . . of the price

As to home-coming I
was surprised at the idea of
your retreating with papa
it had never occurred to me
that you wd think of leaving
so early - I will be well
propitiously heat, on account
of some active sun-spots
The last few days have been
most pleasantly cool, but
today is warmer & somewhat
close, threatening rain.
of course it wd be an
undertaking to close the cottage
alone, & if you sh^d do so, I
hope you will send the
children to the hotel or what
ever seems most convenient
I really can give no opinion
about it, wh- yr. letters seem
ed to expect, but shall do
all I can to meet any plan
you make -

Bernard has been much
familiar with strangers &

people inquiring about the
College - Mr Bynes being
away - Breckinridge seems
to consider him the general
reference - & whole morning
& afternoons have been taken
up, getting information
or shoveling them things.
Duke won't have a moment's
peace when he arrives at home
ever so many people only
wait to swoop down on him.

We shall expect to see
him at breakfast on
Tuesday morning. I hear
the latest news fr. Metis

I am now getting on fast
with Paul's Life & find it
most interesting. ^{the style of}
Farrar I don't altogether
admire, but the picturing
the Apostles' life is so novel
& almost feel as if he were
quite a new person to me -
Certainly his life seems any thing
but a tale that has been told.
as you read -

What do you think of
Olive Margaret? as a name
for baby, or wd you rather
have her Margaret only.
Were you one of those who
objected to Olive before?

I forget - It is supposed
to mean Peace, not in the
name itself, but the olive being
emblematic of Peace - - -

Some one suggested Madeline
but it is the same as Magdalena
& that has acquired a rather
objectionable meaning -

I have a beautiful
Rose on my table, the last
for the season I suppose
from Miss 9th. the bush
that bloomed so freely
earlier in the season.

Kinel thanks to all
Mettis friends enquiring for
me. - Wd it be a kindness to ask
Mrs Carpenter to breakfast or what
ever meal she arrives at, to ask
like groceries ordered, or anything
Let me know when she will be
due, & I will at least send our regards

Have just received papa's
letter wh. has come by
the late delivery contrary
to usual custom - so
we can scarcely answer
in a moment. I

will write about a
cook at once, I have
no doubt - I can get
one by next week -
& if the children
come home then I
will have Mrs Scott
come Tuesday & Wednesday
day, & wash their
things as well as those
here, so that you need
not mind about
getting any thing of that
sort done hurriedly
at Metis - It may be
the best plan, I will

give you a week or
so of quiet - before
returning to the
busy home life.

At any rate we
will telegraph to
you -

In haste

Anna

Thanks for Eva's letter.