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Dearest Mrs Dawson
I am not intending
to let this month pass
away without thanking
you for your dear 2
letters, that lovely card,
I never saw one like it
& all the kind thoughts
of your old in years,
but still young in
heart, friend. I only
wish you could see my
face, when seeing your
dear handwriting. Really
I think it so very kind
of you that you, who
have so many to write
to & still remembering
me also.

Tho' such a very hard
winter, I have kept
pretty well & a great
cause of thanksgiving
to the Lord for all His
mercies. The work among
the German women
increases & I feel that
the Lord is with me
& helps me. Jane is
not better but I expect
her sister to come &
help her in ~~her~~ work.
The children are a great
comfort to me & Eric
came over with great
delight showing his
grandfather's letter, which
makes the rising
to the Vesuvius very

dear. I can quite understand dear Eva thinking herself as living in the Arabian Nights & only think what there will be to tell when you come back. Surely should I be still here below, I shall sit at your feet listening & learning with great delight. Fancy dear Dr Dawson having a Bibleclaps in Florence & Rossie & you three being actually in Egypt! I always thought I would rather go to Egypt than anywhere else & now

my dear Friends are
there which is much
better, for I should have
only looked for my own
amusement & now the
world will profit.

Will you thank my
dear "Daughter Eva" also
for her lovely card
which also is quite
new. I suppose you hear
all the news of this
place & I can assure
you that the four
children here the
Harringtons & W. & J.
look well & happy.
With much love &
all good wishes to the
trio Every your sister
in Christ M. M. Carpenter