



Am Dank
Ergeblich Jerry
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My Dear Sister Margaret

Your delightful letter
which you wrote me while you
were at Metz deserved an earlier
answer, I could fancy I saw you
working with a will and making
so many improvements on your
little estate, and enjoying yourself
to the full after all your anxious
work at home, hard working
and making improvements is quite
the Mercer style, and I think
your dear little daughter-in-law
would enjoy it too, and it would

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Mrs. Pinner
is a very useful lesson to her
through life for we know of yet
through world with all play,
and no work, for work will come
to us whether we desire it or not,
and often very unexpectedly, has
there been no young Dawson's yet
to gladden her household.

I was pleased to hear that you intended
to accompany your beloved husband
to Birmingham next Autumn when
he comes as President of the British
Association, I trust we will all be
glad to meet again, I do hope
I will have the pleasure of seeing
Sir William as I was very much
disappointed I did not see him
last time he was across I trust
also you will have a little more

time to spend with me. I have
 been quite alone this summer.
 Marion thought it would be better
 for the children to be altogether for
 a little time, I thought so too, but
 it makes a very quiet house here.
 Marion had another boy last March.

I hear your youngest son has just
 returned from Australia, he is the
 only one of your family I have not
 seen, has he yet made up his mind
 where he will settle. I trust George
 returned safely from his exploring
 expedition with new honours.

Have you begun the study of the
 Heavenly state, I would like to hear
 your views on the subject, for I
 think there is very little revealed in
 scripture on the subject, but we
 know that we shall be ever with the
 Lord surely that is enough.

I must say I feel like Mrs Buntiss
in rejoicing on the death of a
believer, at the same time sorrowing
with the bereaved.

We are now quite in the midst of
winter hard frost this week, quite
seasonable weather but very very
cold & snow is now drawing on, the
prospect of which cheers us up a little,
"how time flies".

Remember me very kindly to all
your family circle, wishing them all
the compliments of the season, and
a glad new year.

Accept my warmest love
for yourself with all good
wishes, from your loving sister
M. Simierose
