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My dear Mother,

My letter from home
is yours of May 19th, received
yesterday, for which many
thanks. I got back from
Scotland yesterday morning,
having been away from London
just a week in all. On the
previous Monday morning
at the uncomfortably early hour of
5:15 - I left the Tooting Station
& after a tedious journey covering
the whole day, got to Oban a
few minutes before nine at night.
Here I found Lord Larne & two
Scottishmen, both artists, who were
also going to stay with him, Mrs
Sidney Hall & a Mrs Bogle. The

Steamer did not start on
 Tuesday till 1 pm. & so in the
 morning I went with Mr Doyle to
 see Dunstaffnage Castle, a ruin
 which is supposed to be peculiarly
 interesting. Tuesday afternoon we
 reached Knock House, Lord
 James' place on Mull, an old
 house which has been added to
 & made into a sort of summer
 resort. There I stayed till
 Saturday morning. The weather,
 except one day of wet, was
 remarkably fine & we had rather
 a pleasant time, making a couple
 of excursions to places of interest.
 On Saturday morning I left
 & reached Edinburgh the same
 evening at about 6 o'clock. There
 I stayed at Soy Lodge over Sunday,

Leaving at 10.30 on Sunday
 night for London. I saw
 Ella & her husband, Tina
 Pettigrew, Gordon Bell, &
 Mr & Mrs D. Kemp &
 Marie Lenny, also the several
 children. I must say that I
 was surprised to find that
 the children had grown up.
 Ella's baby is quite an active
 boy. Marie's eldest girl has
 arrived at the dignity of long
 dresses, Ethel Kemp is a
 young lady with quite her
 mother's features, while Edwin
 appeared in the uniform of
 a Captain of Volunteers, having

Just come from a Church parade
 when I saw him. It seemed
 quite absurd to me as I have
 scarcely realized that I am now
 no longer a youngster myself.
 So far as I can see at present,
 I shall have to remain here at
 least a week longer, though till
 today I had a sort of intention of
 sailing Wednesday or Thursday
 next. Before going to Scotland I
 wrote to Mrs Crow & Mrs Atkin,
 also to Mrs Redpath, & have since
 received kind notes hoping that I
 may be able to pay visits. I do
 not know, however, whether time will
 serve.

Yours

George