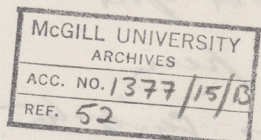


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My dear mother,

I have just returned
here from Rock Ferry,
having been there Saturday,
Sunday & part of today.
I was unable to stay longer,
as I must be at a meeting
tomorrow, said in the forenoon.

I found Eva very well
also the baby & Sylvia
& Hope. I do not know if
I follow the correct order of

importance) I saw the
 Cross & died yesterday
 (Christmas) with the Atkins
 Senior, a family party. also
 (a Steppie who should not have
 come but) I witnessed the
 christening of Eva's baby on
 Sunday, which took place
 in the church this fore t, &
 during which the baby expostulated
 in tones as loud as she could
 utter, throughout. It
 is a very restless baby &
 requires the utmost after all
 the time to prevent it from
 howling.

Yours partial from Savannah
 Waxed ~~at~~ Eva in the

nick of time & she &
 all of us were very much
 surprised by the neatness &
 ingenuity of the Case, & as
 sent to Her.

Rauhaime seemed to think
 that it would be unwise for
 him to leave now for Christmas,
 at any rate he did not leave,
 though he speaks of returning
 to England before long &
 after having visited Vienna.

The weather here is very cold
 at present. — That is to say
 there are several or many
 degrees of frost — something

frozen, but on Snow. Travelling
 is shockingly cold & I am now
 only trying to draw out after
 my fair hours journey from
 Rock Ferry. It seems quite too
 absurd that people here do not
 recognize that they live in a
 chilly climate in winter &
 make provisions accordingly. At
 the Foreign office, where I am
 working now, there is a great
 tier of buildings heated only by
 grate fires in the several rooms.
 The amount of fuel consumed &
 the trouble of carrying it up
 are excessive, & the results
 very imperfect. When the gas is
 lit it seems to warm the
 room more than the fire
 does.

Yours
 G. J.