

48. North Park

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Alice - medals & geology  
See in all -

My dear Auntie

Your very kind letter  
duly received I was down in Port with  
my husbands relations when it was for-  
warded to me. There are a number  
of young people & I am always brightened  
up when there & I am by no means re-  
conciled to London yet, fear I never will  
it is far too hot a place the heat seems  
to leave time for anything the days slip  
past & so little to show for it at the end  
of each week. Far from thinking you  
should not advise me or give me your  
advice I think it more than kind of you  
to take such interest in me & I cannot

say that at times I do not long for a  
sight of the dear ones I have left & who  
are ever writing to say how they miss  
me. I am hoping to go to Bourne with  
with Miss Shurley she has not been at  
all well thro' the winter & the change to  
the seaside I hope would do her good  
& I hope the day may be made plain for  
me to go to Scotland the beginning of July  
for three or four months. That Peep is  
to be married in June they have taken  
their house on the sunny side of George  
of the Square. Mr. Peep only returned three  
weeks ago looking very well indeed. You  
wanted to hear about dear Alice she  
has just medaled with honours in all  
her studies till Uncle Tom will be interested  
to hear she has first in Geography & got

a very nice book on Geology by the  
professor besides the medal one of her  
medals is silver the others are bronze  
she was to receive her degree on the 14<sup>th</sup>  
of this month. I do hope she is going  
to put her talent to some use for she  
certainly is highly endowed she can do  
anything & every thing with her hands &  
is a most beautiful dancer, painter &  
dresses very well indeed. Arthur goes  
on studying at the University she is  
able to help both him & Louise in many  
ways. We are going to Southend for  
the day tomorrow to get a blow at the  
sea-side we will have nearly 7 hours there  
that will be a great treat for me to see  
the sea once more. All my sisters  
were well when I last heard from them

I will always make every allowance  
for you however short your letters may  
be, but I do like to hear from <sup>you</sup> when you  
can spare a few minutes to write me.  
I hope that the paragraph that appeared  
in the papers a few weeks ago about  
Wanda being so ill was not true. I only  
heard it a week ago from one who  
saw it in the paper. I do so regret  
that none of us saw either of you during  
your last visit for at Wanda's advanced  
age it was far from likely he would  
cross the Atlantic again much less to  
yourself & family circle from

Your ever loving Niece  
Lucy Lettingwell