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Mrs Smith

Dr. Albert Lenace Hurstly

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Dear Lady Dawson

I was so sorry
to see that your Dear Husband
Sir William had pursued
suicidal I saw some time ago
that he had had a paral-
-ytic shock but hoped that
he had got over it. I was al-
ways to write but somehow
always put it off ^{widow}
When I became ^{widow} second time
five years ago, I had such
a mass of correspondence

to attend to that I took a dis-
gust at writing, which I have
never got over, but you have
my sincerest Sympathy in
your great bereavement which
only those who have known it
can realise, but your greatest
is his unspeakable gain.

his great talents were loyally
laid at the feet of his Lord
& Master. & now he has gone
in to see His face, but it is
only a little while and we
shall meet our loved ones
again, never to be parted.

I am sure you will remember
me I am now the last sur-
vivor of the Proovson's Family
I have had ev rather Chequered
life but thanks be to Gods

although the way was some
times rough yet for me it was
the right way, and I have been
sent back to my home here to live
out the remainder of my days
alone yet not alone for Jesus
is with me you remember I once
applied to you in a tract
for a loan which you kindly
granted, I would not have
thought of you had not my
uncle Mr Garrison told me to
apply to you if I was in a
difficulty, thank God I have
a supper my now, although
I lost a good deal with
some Bank Failures but it
is all right, my Father bene-
dict and I am quite content

I never had the pleasure of see-
ing Sir⁹ William but I have read
many of his Books with great
Interest, quite lately I came upon
some of Uncle's letters describing
you all to me & if it were not
too much to ask it would be
very gratifying to me to have an
photo of him. I have his Port-
raits but none of any of you
He was very highly esteemed
here I just enclose an cutting
of a newspaper which is only
one among many, trusting this
will find you all well
With kindest love and Sympathy

Believe me
My address is Yours Faithfully
Mrs Smith J. A. Smith
& Alfred Newbury
Scotland