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My dear lady Dawson.

One who is almost a
stranger can hardly dare
to intrude upon your sorrows
- which is yours alone - but
perhaps one may venture in
the feeling of devout thankfulness
to the great and good Father
for His grace given to His own

faithful servant in granting
him so beautiful an ending
to so worthy a life.

Few men are permitted
to reap as fully or richly the
harvest of a life of good &
noble deeds as was your
husband, and few still
are granted so sweet and
fitting a passing into that
brighter glory.

Of Sir William it can be
truly said that the world was
richer for him and poorer for
the loss of him. But beyond

The pain of the loss there is after all nothing to
grieve over - He had finished his day's work
he was wearied with it all and his master
called him closer to himself where he
could rest better and could enter into that
high fellowship permitted his own -

It is good that is ! What better could we
ask for any - for our dearest.

His own presence dear Lady Dawson
will bring you the only comfort that can
bring ease to your heart - And may this
be your happiness now & more -

I carry with me two beautiful
memories of Sir William - but I may
not trouble you now -

With most respectful
sympathy - Very truly yours

Charles W. Gordon