

London

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Dearst Love.

Your letter of June 11th reached me last evening just after I had written the accompanying letter (dated June 22) and was a great relief to my mind; for it told me of your arrangements with regard to Eric and the other children. It seemed as though Dr. Porro was putting off definite action so long, but now it is a comfort to feel that something is really being done and that Dr. Porro has taken the responsibility of advising the Admirals. Of course as you say, the continuation of the fever shows that the disease is still there. But it is satisfactory to

know that the fever has diminished rather than increased. I trust that when you get to the mountains it will continue to diminish.

You will no doubt be all right as regards money for the present and when I go out I shall see about arrangements for the future.

I have today got a recipe for Cox and now shall not buy any more clothes for the boys. I shall probably have to pay duty on them; then I have had to buy a trunk to pack them in and shall have to send the trunk to Liverpool by express - so that altogether they will cost far more than what one could have got them for at home. One always has to pay for expenses here.

As to your remaining with Eric I fancy it would be best for you to do so even if he is feeling able to look after himself - and provided

everything is going on well at Metis.
 I can join the Metis party about
 the end of July or beginning of August
 - or earlier if it seems best - and
 look after the little ones there. What
 Eric mainly requires is careful watching
 and nursing which you are much
 better at than I am.

If I remain here for a few weeks
 yet I think I must try to spend a
 few days with the Armstrongs, as
 they would be greatly disappointed
 if I did not. I intended to write
 more but find that I must get
 ready to dine at Mrs Carus-Wilson's.
 She asked me to meet her children
 - but how many there are I do
 not know.

With love for yourself and Eric
 Ever your fond Pa

The weather for the last few
 days has been warm & pleasant - the
 first fine weather since I came
 to London.

