

great-deal & very specially about
D- Harrington, who had been so
very kind in many ways - in
fact I found it supremely easy
to believe - for when is he not kind
& generous.

I suppose you are
all down at Metis & I do wonder
how dear Lady Dawson is & whether
she has had courage to go back to
the cottage - Somehow I think she
will, I feel that she will be brave
in her sorrow, looking forward &
not back - Pen & I's Devotion
here is quite a weight on my
mind, it does not seem possible
for her to be happy again, & I
feel that is not the right way -
Yet she takes up work & meets
heavily to its always duty -

I look back to last year & dear

Clare's visit with I had her again,
I do hope she is much stronger now
than she was then -

I was away for a month in May
& June - in Spain! I went with
Mr. Valentine & my cousin Deeny
& a delicious time we had -

Oh such pictures as we saw, the
Murillos at Seville, his six
Master-pieces among them, were
most wonderfully beautiful &
the Velasquez at Madrid where
we spent a week & went to the
gallery nearly every day - but
one can't describe such joys -

I meant to have paid a visit
to Mr. Thomson (Modern Miracles)
this month; but Kelly has been
very ill again & is just upon the
edge & beginning to recover -

He taken a cottage at Kilcregan
on the Clyde for August & we remove
the household there - I expect will
do very good - We shall have a
little garden, wh^{ch} will be a great
treat to our dwellers on high - Anne
will realise what I mean - give
the dear girl very much love from
me & say I often speak & think
of her - I put this message here
in the middle as being more real
than the approved ending up
with my love to to to &c -
our dear old Dorothy indeed
began, continued & ended with
such original & interesting news,
but I don't know that she was
just a model correspondent -
We just had a visit from Prof &
Mrs Ramsay Wright - a pleasant

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echo of home & dear old days -
Many thanks for your own & Miss Lewis
counsel about the little girl, Miss
Thompson is finding her a situation
in Scotland & will keep an eye on
her - So I hope she will turn out well -
I've just finished Ferdinand & Isabella
by Prescott - I suppose I've read it
before; but it gains a new interest
from having heard so much of them
in Spain. "The Catholic Kings" as
they are called - I was deeply pre-
judiced against her on account of
her share in the Inquisition; but to
this day her memory is revered &
Prescott's description is that of a
splendid woman - forgetting herself
& her own interests in the earnest
desire to do right & to further the
Cause of Religion - Is't not strange that

one really anxious to do only good,
willing to put personal ease & gain
aside for the highest good of others,
sh^d have been allowed to do so
much evil - like Paul she could
say "concerning Zou, persecuting
the church"; but he was shown the
right way & his gr^t energy turned to
good. History is the most interesting
study to my mind - when you take
long periods, you can often if not
always see God's plans -

I will try to remember you & your boys
in prayer - don't you think that
"Carpy" & your dear Father sh^d pray
for them - in His presence - I feel so
sure they don't forget us & they will
see what is best - more clearly than
they could down here - I know a very
nice Miss B. Wilson, who works among us &
my; but I don't think she is Miss Gunn's friend