

Little Notes

Saturday July 22nd

My own dearest Bernard,

I had hoped

to write you a long letter but a late breakfast has left me little time before the mail leaves. I have just left the others eating diligently, to get a few minutes to chat with my far-away B—

After you left I had no time to get dismal for I had so much to do. I had to go & lecture that Mrs. Exelby I send her home, then Henry came & wanted to be paid for one days work. He said you owed him — Alfred & Nellie came up to see if they could do any thing to help me, & altogether

what with packing, & running
up & down & seeing to every
thing, I was quite used up be-
fore I got off - your father came
& was very kind, we met Mrs
Selwyn at the train & finally
began our journey - I was only
too glad to "turn in" at once,
but that wretched little babe
is the very perfection of a fidget.
& I can't say that I slept very
well - Next morning Mrs S
proposed our having breakfast
at St. Louis, of course I consented
& it was quite fun to see her
wrath at the slowness of the
waiting & the bad attendance
I asked for coffee, & got tea, then
she ordered to be taken away -
& again they brought tea, once
more she imperiously called
for coffee - wh. was certainly

good for me, as station however
tea is altogether beyond my
powers - We had a British
bridegroom on the cars who was
kindly affectioned me to the other
but not spicing - also a tall
handsome foreigner, - a German
I think, who seemed to be going
on to Halifax -

Mamma Sue & Rankin were
waiting for me, with a buck-
beard - Think of it dear? We
reached the summit station
at 4½ of - & then had 8 miles
to drive, or rather jump over
not very good roads - And to
my grief I got here looking tired
& quite worn out, when I wanted
to look so well, dearest, & be
credit to you -

It is very chilly I have put on
all my warmest things, & can

scarcely imagine you in such
intense heat - Dear love do be
careful of yourself, take that
daily care that Dr Bell ordered
& don't on any account allow
yourself to get into hurries or
warrics - But there I know
you will do all that is pru-
dent - without my lecturing
you, & if any thing serious
sh^d happen you will telegraph
for me at once dear, won't you?
I hear that some people at Phila-
delphia wear a sort of umbrella
sa, instead of a hat, & that a
spring runs down the back
supports it. I am quite curious
to see such a thing, wondering
it wd be of any use to you -
Napa got back her Wednesday
& then harrying about Premier
& the French Canadian schemes

he at once sent in an application
for George, writing to tell Mrs
Leluzon that he had done so -
so what we wished is done
without ever interfering -

Mrs Darcy says that letters take
a very long while to come here
from Philadelphia, so I shall
have to be patient for news from
my dear husband - God
grant us a happy meeting soon.
I don't feel really anxious
about you love I have put
you into His hands, I do know
dear that all is safe there,
safe & secure with an eternal
safety & assurance - I hope that
you will not be detained
long - you will enjoy this chillsome
air, I know - I am in the
first stage of sea-sick life,

"Cold & sleepy" by Monday I shall probably come to life again. Ah Bernard how strange it seems to remember that the same day last year I came down here, & that no prophetic vision came to me of my returning with a huge wedding ring on my finger to remind me that I am no more alone but have the best of husbands to love & care for me - all I can say is "It is the Lord's doing & wonderful in our eyes"

how, particularly the last moment is come so grieved by dear heart, I write as often as you care

Very lovingly your wife
Anne
Dada is much as troubled to see the practice of stamps of my dear - no when in his presence of me