

Mutis

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My own dearest - B -

As you may suppose Sunday & Monday seemed long with no news of you, your long letter I received last night - I thought rejoiced to hear that you are feeling better now! I feel that you must have been very wretched to have been confined to the house so long. It is a comfort to me that you have had Dr. Howard & not tried to doctor yourself, I wish you could fly to me at once & let me nurse you back to health & happiness. I should not be altogether surprised if papa brought you down with him still that would imply that you were not improving as you

hoped, & if the change in the
weather does brace you up &
make you well again I shall
be only too thankful. At-
least I shall hear of how
you look, & how you fare
from papa -

The little one flourishes, &
grows, & becomes more mischievous
daily - he has been having
a good deal of fruit (straw-
berries) but it seems to agree
with him - & he is so fond of
it. I don't know whether the
raspberries were coming in and
suit him as well. Scarcely
I sh^d think -

Mina's letter is more cheerful
but she does not even mention
her husband, & her son-in-law
is evidently worse than ever,
having informed her that
sometimes she positively hated
her, which is scarcely calculated

to awake much affection in a susceptible - in
love - there is no doubt - she is having a harvest
time, I am sure - she is glad about the new
baby, & hopes it will be a girl - My salary is
old says too that she has no such feelings - for
with I am pleased, for I know a child will be
the very joy of her life - I am sure - to the
last - ought to be paid a visit - to the
wife - is the longest - straight - walk I have yet
taken, I was not - every trial with, but got
my feet - very wet, & started to head on my
return - Ah - prevented my supping this last
night - I had so full throats almost you clear
she do nothing for you? only hope I know
that all must be well - I that are many
must - in health & happiness - you know Mrs
Stanger paid you last a week - to I weekly wife
day - I am sorry that they have felt the way

so much at 11 Andrews. I will try & write
to them within a few days —

With all loves Eric love

dearest — your ever loving

Wife

I don't think Eric has forgotten
you every now & then he breaks
into papa papa papa & they & he
seems a little uncertain as to
what he expects to write —