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Little Huts  
Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup>

Dearest B -

I quite thought  
it useless to write to you  
yesterday, for I perceived you  
w<sup>d</sup> be coming down & soon  
your two letters to Clara & Mella  
have come to hand. I do not  
tell us very much about  
your movements. Had a letter  
also from Mrs Motion - I wish  
you c<sup>d</sup> bring her down with  
you. I think she w<sup>d</sup> be  
easily persuaded, particularly  
if that has again come on.  
We have had very changeable  
& rough weather here & no much  
rain, though not whole days  
it - also mosquitoes have been  
more plentiful than usual.  
The huts have very few people  
in them, but the cottages are

full, & a cer estate is the  
panauretic rallying ground.  
There is a surprising scarcity  
of success. & on the whole the  
children are better looked after.

Mrs Clark, Murray is down  
here, "all her old love of Lintie  
having revived" she has bought  
a lot near Featherston's & is  
about to build!!! Is that not  
strange = but w<sup>d</sup> think her  
portion w<sup>d</sup> soon dissipate  
if she gets in so much fast  
real estate, she evidently cannot  
keep quiet - poor woman.

I had a letter from  
mother with a few scattered  
notes as to the enclosing & I  
have had no direct hints, it  
is rather disappointing.  
Please don't forget to give  
Mrs Malson the parcel of the  
material - I spoke to you & I  
really hope you will bring her  
down I have had the spare  
room swept & garnished in  
expectation of her coming.



Wally looks splendid - sometimes at night -  
as has a little of that nervous twitching  
of his hands. But - looks a perfectly sane  
biped, he is most anxious to talk, & was  
as much enjoying a saltwater tub in the  
morning. The new steam was taken out of  
his mouth, several corners with gray black  
head - actively engaged in the assembly -  
we had a great tea in consequence.

Sea is still pretty beautiful  
& several determined to be successful  
from such longevity as watching his hands  
changing wet - clothing - have been -  
well taken after tea & taking he arrived in  
morning - he does have a hard time in  
swimming - as letting any one else do so -  
with him -  
Quinn

I find I cannot get  
any alcohol here & was  
like Tom in case of having  
needing his head kept  
cool, as ice is so scarce  
to get - also the supply of  
candles I thought would  
for the summer long  
run out - you see  
how one has to find  
holly in the evening & I  
sometimes I have got  
on burning the oil  
has used a hundred  
candle - you might get  
6 lbs and so - Melrose  
Spencer -