

June 1st 1902

Dearest B -

Many thanks for
your second, welcome letter
& I am very rejoiced to hear
that all continues well, & there
is no doubt that my absence
will be a real benefit to the
elder children, & weld the whole
family more together in mutual
love & helpfulness. & you too
will no doubt make more
time to be with the children
& hear more of their ideas &
ambitions. I often regret that
you are so occupied, that you
are really left out of many of
the little home schemes &
interests. & that is a great loss
for the children. How terribly
sad that shouting of Grand-
how does his poor mother
hear it? she looked so frail
this last winter, & poor, gruff
father, I sh^d think his kind
heart would be broken. How
lightly people follow the disease &

desires of their own hearts, in regard to marriage, & never pause to cry to God to lead them so, unmittingly. Bringing together the cause & effect of these terrible calamities. God guard us & ours from such things, which always seem to me, like the shadow of sin & shame - though personally the sufferers seem merely victims.

And this is my last day in this most fascinating island. I wish I could have had a good book about its interesting antiquities - I want to know all about this old Welsh British Church. The Anglicans seem to esteem it as their ancestors, with little or no claim as far as I can see - just as I observe dear Bovey claims to have created the whole oceanic faculty

& also appreciate & cherish it - to a full & secure
& no doubt he believes it - He only called to his
wedded to steady holding - He longer I said the more
I feel this to be the basis of life generally - if it
only was well & clearly taught -
Such a benign & active principle today - I
consider is not adding work this summer, could
you not get him to do an hour's reading each
day, of some sensible enlightening literature as
writing, do try & accomplish this - I would
I wish & accordingly - The days here seem all too
short & tomorrow is all week-end day, 26
years. In looking back, I never find any regret
for anything lacking, or even for the absence of the
anything I long - but it is for the things one might
have done, the wishes & more loving spirit, one
might have cultivated more diligently - by course
this is not a thing to be done now - but a warning
to other who strive for the one important thing
to really seek for the wisdom of God which gives
light - & to love & serve each other -

Every where people complain about preachers & teachers, but every where also people enjoy my & my companions a life that is clean & righteous, & lived in Gods' right, & that is our glory.

God grant that we may be more & more
of a help & comfort to each other as the years
go on. I like the saying - but a - is about
invaluable. I never see anything : broken
Heavenly has much to take of course - I am
to miss seeing his husband who comes to
matrons -

I have rec'd my news letters & but
if you are not going there, they will see
of us - I will be glad to know that you are
all at the sea, & my wish is - was do great
as it is here, which children can feel themselves
more in the quiet presence of nature, in that
great in the busy world of people. I hope my
papers should glorify in their seas & rivers
I think of you and get - time you should make a

list of things you have done
for I often think you see so
clearly what you have not done
that you forget what you
really have accomplished. I
am sure papa felt that way
& I used to be sorry for it.

My love to Ruth & thanks
for her letter. I think I
wrote to her last, & she is to
be the one left with you.

I don't at all like the
idea of mother's going down
a creek before the others, as
she has violently determined
upon a haul of work. I will
meet with no end of difficulties
by the way. However I can
only hope it will turn out
well. & by this time Clare
sh^d be down at Melis with
her party. I hear nothing
of Florence's movements. I do
hope that K. will come back
better though Reid J. is scarcely
what one w^d call an improving
companion, he is steeped to the
eyes in selfishness.

I am so very glad that dear Mrs Molson continues to improve, & I certainly think that she will be happier at Inverness than anywhere else, & her deafness & the necessity of her going early to bed, will not make her such a constraint on the young people, of course her own bed - you remember her mattress, she had made for herself, would be moved into our room & that is largely removed from noise, & you could have hers, & even you & I could get on in it for a few weeks which w^o be all we would need, or one of the girls c^d go to mother's - but you must see that there is not overtasked.

Much love to all & especially the dear husband who I shall meet tomorrow

Sincerely

Dear Mrs M. - my affectionate love & thoughts I would have time to write had I had time -