

Little India  
July 9<sup>th</sup> 1866

Every one says  
I am an orphan  
Dear Mr Bernard,  
a perfect  
Sunday, quiet & neither  
hot or too cold. Streams  
of people passing up to church  
a small congregation at the  
old church & Mr Wardrop the  
speaker. I did not go as I  
am still not walking about  
but I intend to begin after  
this, I think my knee is  
really right there is only one  
small spot that I can feel  
at all, even when pressed  
upon, & I don't think I shall  
have any more trouble.

Mrs Nelson is comparatively  
settled & Miss Holmes is very  
pleasant & easily satisfied, it  
is her first visit to the sea, so  
she finds every thing new &  
charming. I believe that  
Mrs Child's hotel is full, but  
it has been very hard for  
poor Miss the Child, for her  
old uncle who lived with  
them died just after I came  
down & Mr the Child died  
last Monday, Walter & I  
made wreaths, & we sent a



large bunch of white lilacs  
which looked beautiful  
The funeral was largely atten-  
ded by country people & visitors  
also a number of french people  
of the better sort. He was  
buried in the new cemetery  
near Blake is walking  
about - quite freely though  
she still has a decrepiter  
gait caused by the long  
wearing of the support.

We are longing to have  
news of you the time seems  
long but - once the letters be-  
gin we will be able to follow  
your doings - I expect  
W.S. to give us particular  
accounts of all that happens  
We imagined that you wd  
be in London yesterday  
Sunday the 8<sup>th</sup>:

Mr Wolcome thinks that  
even will have passed his  
years. as he worked really  
hard since March, & seemed  
to be labouring in good  
earnest. Mother is very aw-  
ward for him to have a year  
or two at College in any case  
if he passes. So I don't know  
of what will come of this.



Courtesy of Mr G. seem to get on well at 295. I believe Minnie intends to go to England with Miss Lamb. - I has stayed on with the boys till now, so they have had an extra week of comfort. - The time of the going and for meals will be shortened:

By the way what about the \$100.00 matter advanced to you for the tickets. I thought from something she said the other day that you had not returned it. - If that is so do you want me to do anything about it or as you going to leave it over.

W. counted 50 scarlet poppies all in glorious bloom yesterday, & we had not sparey cutting them, but a dry hot time for forcing them all and with great rapidity.

Lara is most happy with her Kahl = & Eva with Nora. but I intend to make Eva a little more liberal, & not turn away from other friends



Fritz Dugall was in last night  
he is down for a few days,  
Bertr & Walter Ingham, are also  
having their holidays. W. has  
that Mrs Beck is to have down  
Mellie Budden, Miss Apple &  
Miss White, all the young ladies  
whom "on dit" gives to her sons  
so the opportunity will be  
given to arrange matters if  
not already settled. Keturah is  
to have Donald Kingston as her  
special friend. I fear we  
do not do our duty in that  
direction, the boys will see to  
their own interests, but the  
girls cannot very well - unless  
Lais, she has a practical  
mind. & sees plainly where  
she wishes to proceed.

We have had a number of  
quite warm days. Mrs M.  
sends love, & not to forget  
B.S. special allowance. I  
hope he will get things that  
will last as souvenirs of  
his trip. I rather wait for  
foreign things, than those  
that are merely English.