

I may be to tell you we
 have bought a Melodion
 for Williams. A very good
 one got second hand
 for 100 & 1/4 dollars. It is
 not sent home yet. I
 do not know what anything
 about it. I think my husband
 Congratulation
 the publication of the
 first Scientific Paper
 the name are
 dearest boy I fail
 to miss them as in Mrs.
 nameable

to tell you half the things I have been
 doing. I often ask you good advice
 about taking care of myself how much
 I have risked. The largest undertaking
 was the decorating of the Colby Library
 for the entertainment, of which I told you,
 & buying out two large tables & four in
 the alcoves for refreshments. The windows
 were decorated with flags. The apex of which
 was formed with the two you made when
 a boy. Mr. Mulvan's mahli hat, with a little
 crimson buck ground, was placed in the
 centre of the window. A Case of Crests of ivory

that the tedious object may be promoted.
you know that is to thank donors past &
present & to apply moral suasion upon others
to induce them to come to the rescue.

Papa & Anna left yesterday for Toronto. I am
certain his appearance at that having ruined
a teryson of this animal. I have taken
advantage of this absence to cover the
knots of the Dining room Carpet which
was getting bare at the door & that kept
me busy yesterday. This forenoon I went to
town about & more arrangements. I now
I am writing against time. By some
stupidity the note book was not sent
by last mail. I hope to have time to
send today. but you must excuse
everything I am so pushed. I am glad
you are likely to spend a pleasant & more
I like the the Hugely's are on first acquaintance
the pleasantest people I met in London
there are others better & more desirable for
friends. These there are young people

you are always so kind to children
& they are so fond of you. I have
been wondering if you would think of taking
some little present to them. I have never
given up the hope that you will go
to see Mr. Glattstone & find he still
carries on his classes.

I had a long letter from Jane on
Wednesday but really have not had one
quarter of an hour to read it. Our Xmas
will be a very quiet one. Personally I will be
glad of the rest. but I fear not being able to
make it pleasant for the younger children.

I fear you have quite given up the thought
of going to Rackdale. So I hope other friends
will ask you to their houses during the
holidays. I am thankful Rankine has got
his holidays he is looking so pale. He has
been sitting up nights over his lessons. I did
Anna tell you Prof. Carmick started with them
for Savoia yesterday. He is on pleasure bent. I
Mrs C. is not at all pleased. I must try to console
her with my best, bestest wishes for your holiday
happiness. Love yours
Mother

Curry's lately presented by Mr Chapman
in front. The pillars were set with
spices. I lamps on the brackets of each
hook = Case (10 in all). We had lovely
flowers sent from four different
green houses. So the tables were profusely
supplied. I do think they were prettily arranged
for I have an eye for that kind of
beauty; indeed the arrangements as a whole
were very good. I would not like
to go so far as Mrs Hutton who said "they
were perfect." She likes I enjoyed for one
of the large tables were supplied by Mrs P. P. P. P.
the other by me. Judge May made an
excellent speech which you will probably
see in some of the papers. Papa made
a few light pleasant remarks. There was
really good vocal music - Reid Taylor
Mr Giddens & a quartet Club. Conducted by Paul.
but I shall weary you if I say more about
a thing of passing interest. We can only hope