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19. Burngreave Road
Sheffield -
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My dear Dawson,

Many thanks for sending
me such an interesting book
of your extensive labours in the
Cause of Science. I hope to be
able to wade through it
and endeavour to understand as
best I can a little of the geology
of a resource of so grand and
interesting a tract of Country.
Your labours & exertions in
compiling so formidable a
Volume must have been immense

& you must feel no little satisfaction in having completed so valuable an addition to the existing knowledge concerning your Country. It gives me much pleasure too to be reminded that you sometimes remember your old fellow student & friend though we are far separated & our vocations very different. I hope we may continue to correspond at intervals for many years. What work do you intend entering upon when your season commences again? I suppose further investigation of the same kind?

You will be surprised to hear that I am married - very happily so - having enjoyed the happy state for the last five weeks & we have just about settled.

down here in our own crib &
only comfortable it is. I wish you
could pay us a visit but suppose
you do not intend to return to
England at any rate for some time.
I am joggling along with the same old
work as usual. Just now I have
some 15 samples of rich silver lead
from a mine in Brittany to operate
upon. Trade is very bad & has never
been worse I should think. You
must start some railways & send
us a big order -

Do you recollect Gray at the N.S.M.
He got a job here a short time ago at
a silver works but they treated him
so badly he went away again. I
correspond with White & have done
a little work for him further but
other students I have heard nothing
of. I have not any time for original
research but when I have a little
slack time I go in for Coal
analysis. I will send you
Photos of self & wife if you would

Care where he-
Hoping to get a line from you when
you have time

Believe me
sincerely yours
J. H. Hurley.