

Father's death + biography
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8, GERALD ROAD,
EATON SQUARE.

Dec^r 1st 98

6. sends love,
is pleased you
like photos
of baby!

Dear George,

Very many

thanks for your letter,
Nov: 14th, duly rec^d.

On Sunday night,
Nov: 19th I had a short
telegram from Mr. Atkin
giving the substance
of the cable he had rec^d,
I at once cabled to

2, Mother some expression
of sympathy - So me,
it was not altogether a
surprise. Had warned

Mother before leaving
Montreal that, "it w^d not
be for long" - & told the
nurse (who said she had
decided to stay until
Xmas) that I very
much doubted whether she
w^d be required for
a longer time.

"Full of years & full
of honours"! One
can hardly regret
the inevitable!

Very old men, like
Mr Gladstone, are apt
to ruin their life's
record for disinterested
& unselfish work!

You will, I hope, have
rec^d a copy of "Times" with
I think, a very good account

Father was, as you know,
anxious to have biography
prepared & published as
soon as possible. It was
his desire that you s^d
undertake this, & if it is
possible, you w^d of course
be the best possible editor
for such a work - If, how-
ever, I can be of any use,
in any way, in connection
with such a biography,
pray let me know! I shall
be only too glad to do anything
I can. Yours sincerely,
Parker