

Referring to 295 University St  
Father's death Nov. 28<sup>th</sup> 1909

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Dearest Haukeie

I find that  
mother did not manage to  
write to you yesterday. I  
had hoped that she had  
been occupied herself  
quietly with writing, but  
she is full of plans & arrange-  
ments, of course meaning  
business things, have to  
be seen to - & as mother is  
left sole authority, every-  
thing must be referred to  
her! The Insurance papers  
have been sent in the  
inventory of household  
effects & such & so on, the  
legacy duty has to be paid  
before anything else can be  
settled - I believe it is  $\frac{1}{2}$  paid  
on property passing from  
husband to wife - on every-  
thing over three thousand \$.

to realize that people of all shades of  
opinions, toward I achieved paper was  
for his qualities than his greatness.  
As Dr Clark said - before these sometimes  
vicissitudes of criticism him for making the  
best of every body - but - if looking back  
a hundred days from was inclined if people  
differently - I - this seems as if we all  
will look a very different - though from  
other people - who have not had such  
advantages - I had thought of having  
learned better - but - I don't think methods  
could like anyone could see - certainly not  
now - I doubt - I was later if I do see  
especially for her - has been wrong & others  
are very definite, & decided - I say on  
who does not definitely under has been  
direction, and I think he simply having

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You know do you not  
believe Sir Wm the Donald  
he has endowed a chair of  
Geology to be called the  
Dunbar Chair - & the income  
£2,500 to go to mother till  
her death. This will make  
her thoroughly comfortable  
& is a great blessing, for  
mother wd have felt keenly  
a very restricted income &  
indeed been unable to en-  
joy anything for fear of the  
supply falling. I do not  
know what her income  
will amount to - but  
now she will be amply  
supplied - I only wish she  
wd be more rested she  
has had four nights, & will  
get up in the morning as  
usual, the excitement &  
nervous tension is keeping  
her up - & she will no doubt  
feel more able to rest when  
some things are done, Letters  
telegrams & cables pass in  
& must all be seen to  
a little later - It is good

trying to her = We are so much that can be  
applied to at any time for help as admi-  
nistrant in working on her own ways -  
It is a matter of great thankfulness  
that she is not obliged to color herself to  
any of our families, & can be quite true  
philanthropist & we suggest - & was writing  
to Jos. Wm. R. D. - & mentioning him = Guess  
was already done so -

We are all well but it is difficult  
to get into the necessary 'back again' part  
only from a mental point of view, but  
perhaps there are such quantities of other  
things to do, for our work consists of writing  
& matters - She speaks of going away for a  
few days later on, & she seems to have  
written her. The reason is not favorable  
but - this will matter much - even with  
you have to find of answer -

We shall see - Adelaide  
confident has fallen in  
love with Glo - from the  
note she wrote, & I have  
also heard golden opinions  
of her through my old  
friend Lizzie Taylor

How dreadful &  
prolonged this war  
seems to promise to be  
but good will be the  
end - Do you remember  
"Jackknives" - I think  
the final remarks in  
it ought to be shouted  
from the house-tops  
now, as appropriate  
& comforting -

Much love for wife &  
man - & forgive haste  
& confusion

affectionately  
Anna

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J. W. B. B.  
last address etc -