



My dear Mary - I heard from
 you have received the books
 and please to receive your
 little notes, but I must
 that you hear little Mary
 on my next letter you writing, it
 to as much as possible, I
 a letter all in you on English
 dear little Edith, you be able
 to write and tell us how
 her, do not forget to write
 and I must be able to
 understand you

Max & Emma
Papa and ~~you~~ ^{you} all a
very merry Xmas, also dear
Lottie. Mr. Pratt. In Kansas
they are the custom out here
for people to bring
presents of their fruit - etc. The
best of which is beautiful apples
and ~~the~~ ^{some} ~~with~~ ^{white}
I am very ~~with~~ ^{with} you
and Lottie would have tasted
them ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~children~~ ^{children} was decorated
just like they are at home

and when Papa and I walked
to church that morning it felt
almost as cold as Times Day in
England. We went to a large
dinner party that evening and
enjoyed ourselves very much we
only wanted our dear little chicks
with us on that day to make us
feel completely happy. I am
glad to hear dear Mary that Maria
and you are such good friends
she is a nice companion for you
give her our best love. When is
little Edith Robinson to arrive? She
will be a playfellow for Edith
It was very kind of Uncle Arthur
to give you a cradle so it is as

Large as your old one that you
had at Parkhurst - ? How pleased
you must have been to see
your old friends Mr. & Mrs. Maloney
Did it not remind you of
Parkhurst - Has Papa heard from
Charlie Bennett last mail he
mentions having been down to
Blackheath to see you I hope
Dear Mary your finger will soon
be well it must have been very
painful I hope you will try
now & correct that bad habit of picking
your fingers, you see how much
you have suffered from it, & dear ^{Ma} Ma
has also got a bad finger from dressing
yours

Papa has not
been singing at
all lately. I shall
no more



My dear little Mary - I shall
be glad to hear that
you are well at Umballa. I shall
write you a very good account of you
but as your letter arrived the day after
your birthday, this little Mary
thought of you on that day
& said "many happy returns
of the day dear Mary" Papa wrote
you a letter & told you
how you are a very good girl
I shall be pleased when you
can send me a little note
your own handwriting you
must make haste I get on
your writing I get on
at the family group. Get on

one ~~the~~ mantle ~~piece~~ in the
drawing room. Papa desires
me to tell you that he has three little
dogs, one called "Tip" one "Appo"
& the other Jessie. The latter is much
a nice little dog. The wife sits up
and says I shall give her a pair
when she is asked to do so. Her
has also a black horse, I had not
got one yet but as long as Papa
can buy a good lady's horse, I shall
begin riding. I have a very
good old "beak" she says, send
my salams to your children
often talk about you both to
her, & she says she would like
so much to see you. I was glad
to hear the Brecht's Resolutions had
come up in your garden. I suppose
you will be there. My play would
nicely, next summer you can have
the same in the garden. "You"
Dear Harry and your message

My dear Mr. [Name] [Name]
I am sorry you
did not get the
hills as this, but
not get his leave
until the 15th of this
month in consequence
of his illness &
absence of doctors
in the station at present.
We received
your letter, [Name] &
the photos a few days ago
for which I thank you
very much. We are
pleased with the photos
you are taking and
improved gentlemen &

friend of our and mounted
from my side and framed
them they are now on
the drawing room table and
we can look at our dear children
very often. Our Mary is
the that wants all get
you to give her a book
for your birthday present
from us. That is pity
James is wanted, and you
must send some more
more. I wish you were in
the little boat with you
we are very anxious on
the subject. I wish you were
very anxious on the subject

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the little boat with you
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So you must wait patiently
until the 21st of the month ordered
before when we shall return
to England!!! We have not
seen any signs as yet
we do not go into the "jungle"
to look for signs, we are
to be seen near the station,
they always keep away from
inhabited places, I have had
seen signs when travelling in
the "jungle" but unless they
are fired at and wounded
they as a rule will not attack
man. - but if wounded they
will follow and will oppress
immediately on any sign

My dear Mary & Charles
I have just received
this and the sad news of poor
Grandfather's death. It is
so much to be regretted that it
is now God's will, and
& Grandmother is so
suffering & attending
but I trust she would have
got all well if poor Grandfather
suffering had lasted longer
I am ever your affectionate
brother
John

Amelia

January 11th

My dear Mary & Edith,

Fanny & I were so pleased to get your letters on New Year's Eve. We had been dining out with Colonel & Mrs. Ingham, & when we came home in the evening we found our English letters on the table. We were very much pleased with the Christmas cards. Thank you very much dear Mary for the little Stamp case it is very nicely worked. I shall value it very much. You must be getting on well with your work. We shall like very

much to hear all about the
Christmas party. Tell Auntie
with my love to please to
send me some more prospectuses
of Mr Pratt's school as I have
given all I had away to
different friends. I send you
a few more crests dear
Mary I have asked several
friends to collect them for me
We are very anxious to get
your Photo! Tell dear Auntie,
I want to see how much
you are grown dear child.
Dear Auntie has never sent
me his yet, or Mr Pratt's
There is a very good ^{Methodist} ^{preacher}
coming here shortly, I will

then get mine done, also
Pops, & send them home
one of each for you, & one
of each for Auntie. We
hope dear little Edith will
recite her two pieces of poetry
viz. "The lost doll" and
"My Mother" It was very kind
of Mr Pratt teaching you
to say it dear Edith. Our
garden is now beginning to
look very gay. Petunias, Sweet
Peas, Stocks, Wall flowers, pinks,
purple groundsel etc are all
coming into blossom.

all these plants will flourish
until the end of April, but
when the hot winds begin
to blow every plant will die
off. When you see the Watsons
give our kindest love to
them. I suppose Aunt Kate
has said you her promised
visit ere this, Jamie must
be grown a very big boy
Papa & I send kindest
regards to Mr. Pratt & Auntie
& with love & thousands of
kisses to you all love

Your affectionate Mother
W. M. Munnell

In the end having a house
of our own. I must try & get
a "Photo" taken of it & send
you. Papa is going to make
a little garden there, the flowers
(English) grow very well in
a full climate. A Mrs. Farnwell
called here yesterday to wish
us good bye, she is going
home to England, she said
if she stayed in London
any time, she would go
down to Blackheath to
see you. I hope "Dear Dumbie"
is quite strong & well now

My dear I have now had
nice long letters from "Dear Auntie"
written in dear George's but they
all thought of her & wished to
"send many happy returns of the
day" I am so glad to hear
such good accounts of you both
dear children, it quite gladdens
our hearts to know you are so
happy. Tell dear Auntie with
love I send you her & mine
with love
I am
Yours
Auntie
P. Pratt & G. Pratt

letter next ^{month}
must be ^{expected} ~~sent~~
Edith, as Mary had the one
I last wrote. How proud you
will feel when you can send
me a letter in your own hand.
writing. Mamma & Papa are
so glad to hear dear Mary that
you are a ^{good} girl of work. I
want my dear children to be
able to work very nicely. I hope
I shall see finished Holly's
handkerchiefs by this time. When
we ^{get} home the feathers we are
also going to send you some pretty

little cases made of colored grass
by the natives of Ceylon. Mary must
look in the Magazine & find out
Ceylon is. ^{And Mary must have one}
case. ^{Edith one & Maria one}
"Dear Auntie, ^{that} ^{you}
Papa says ^{with} ^{that} ^{will}
to ^{get} ^{met} ^{is}, I have ^{one}
that I ^{use} ^{to} ^{put} ^{my} ^{book}
in. I have ^{not} ^{yet} ^{heard} ^{from}
Grandma & hope ^{you} ^{to} ^{get} ^{from}
a ^{letter} ^{from} ^{her} ^{soon}
I ^{think} ^{of} ^{her} ^{at} ^{times}
I ^{am} ^{going} ^{to} ^{get} ^{you}
your ^{birthday} ^{present} ^{you}
Papa has just bought ^{to} ^{give}

Black Horse. I am to ride it as
soon as it is broken in. I give
him a piece of bread every morning
& he begins to know me quite
well, he is very fond of bread,
sometimes he gets a ginger bread
nut - as a great treat, he relishes
it
that I suppose, if he could
speak, he would call it "a
dandy"! I heard from Aunt Kate
by this mail, she says "Gorie" & Eddie
were so disappointed to find you
were gone out - when they came to
see you. I hope dear Mary's thumb
is now quite well, it must have

Wendell

March 8th

My dear Mary & Lottie,

I am looking forward
anxiously for your Photo's
"Auntie" promised she would
send them soon. Papa
& I think you must be
much grown, Mary must
be as tall as Mamma now!
Do you both remember that
Mamma is very little?[?]
& Papa very tall?[?] You used
to say you would like to
be as tall as Papa!!!

General Becker who has
had the command of
the Umballa Division
called here two days ago
to wish us good bye,
he, & Mrs Becker are going
home, he asked for
your direction, & said he
would go & see you.

If all my friends who
had promised to go
down to Blackheath
are able to do so

you will see a great
many people from India
this summer, I think
you will be delighted
with the Lockett, you
must ask "Dear Auntie"
to take care of them
for you, they are both
as near the same pattern
as I could get them
& cost the same money
^{but} Mary must have first
choice, as she is the
eldest. Papa has

bought a small Cottage
at Kussoulie. I am going
to call it "Bouslie Cottage."
It is on the best part
of Kussoulie, & just behind
the house I was in last
season. I will try & get
a "Photo" taken of it when
I go up there. It will save
us a great deal of expense
having a cottage of our
own on the hills, & we
can always let it if
we do not wish to go
to Kussoulie —

My dear Mary & Edith,
Yesterday we received your
letter of Feb. 29th, & a few
lines from "our Auntie", we shall
hope to get your "Photo" by
next mail, then I shall take
the old one out of the little
frame that always stood at
the mantel piece, & put the
new ones into the frame. We
are glad you liked the
new ones, & the "Photo" you
killed all the birds he sent

Some the feathers of to you -
Hopes they had put the necklaces
up in a separate parcel, &
shook them to the care of our
Agent Messrs. Judgway & Sons.
I hope ere this you have received
them. Last week was a very
gay week in Embassy, but
I kept very quiet & did not
go any where excepting to the
Durbars. All the people in Embassy
& many others from different
quarters, also a great many
Indian Nobles were invited in
a large tent belonging to
the Governor General, there
after a little while the Amier

Shere Ali Khan came on with
his Son, & they were placed on
a raised place where three gilt
chairs were put, one for the
Amier, one for his Son, & one
for the Governor General; then
by means of an interpreter a
long conversation was held, &
a number of native presents
came into the Tent with trays
full of beautiful presents &
placed them on a carpet
in the Tent before the Amier.
Dinner dined me - coming
with the Governor General, I stayed
at home, I did not like to go
out to parties so soon after
hearing the sad news of poor

Grandpapa's death. We are so
pleased to hear dear Mary that
you have the French prize!
& that you are getting on so
nicely with your French. What
a good girl you must have
been dear Patsie to get the
conduct prize! we are so glad
to hear this. Papa says if
you have not yet got the numbers
to ask Auntie to write to
Kidney about them. It is
now very hot in Umballa, &
I think we shall go to Kussowlie
about the 18th of this month.
Grandmama wrote to me last
mail, & she said she was
going to pass through

8 often

Take

Imbulla

23rd March
My dear Mary & Edith

We were much pleased
with your last letter & Mary's
account of the Pantomime, Did
you dear Mary write it all
from memory? How much
I should have liked to
have been with you there, it
was very kind of "Dear Auntie"
to take you. I send you
our "Photos" I think it is

not so good of Papa, as
it is of me. Auntie must
have one by next mail, &
when Uncle Bottom comes
down to see you if he
thinks it is good "Photos" of us
I will send him one also.

Papa says he will have all
the dogs & the two Persian
cats taken!! we will send
you a "Photo" of them!!!

Col Troysden goes home
by the first of May

Stemmer; I often tell him
he must take some one
of the cats to you!! but I
do not like to trouble him,
& I doubt if it would ever
reach home safely, Sailors have
a great dislike to cats on
board ship. He has promised
to go to see you as soon as
he can manage it, he will
tell you all about us, we see
him almost every day &
he often dines with us. We
are expecting our Principal
Inspector General of Hospitals

for India to stay with
us on his way up country
to Simla, he has just arrived
in Calcutta from England
with one daughter & a governess.
Dr. Puri is an old friend
of Papa's so we shall be pleased
to have them all to stay
with us. Thanks very
for the little view of Broadstairs
& send you another "Portrait"
taken with a three quarter
face, but I do not like it
so well as the profile. Tell
our dear children which you
think is the best? —

as both do

in hands

Please
his letter

Annabella Mother

Nov 23rd

My dear Mary & Edith

Just wrote you

letter by last mail so it is now
my turn to send a letter to my

dear children. I received a nice
letter a few days ago from dear

"Auntie" for which give her my
best thanks. Also enclosed

in this from god & one from
Edith. The presses have not yet

arrived that dear little Edith
sent us by the Great Eastern!

J. Gurnell

Tell dear Auntie to please
to get the dolls' house as a
birthday present from us
for you dear Edith, "Auntie"
must be sure to get a very
nice one. It was very kind of
Mr. Bockett to go & see you
& to give you some little
presents. I hope Mary
will take great care of the
doll with the wax hands &
feet. I rather fancy that
the feet & hands will soon
be broken. Mary must
write & tell us how long

it has lasted in a sound
condition. Please tell Mr. Watson
we received his letter by last
mail, I will write to Mr. Watson
when the box arrives. Our best
love to them, also my love
to Miss Gray, if she is still
staying with them. I am
anxiously expecting the promised
book marker near Mary's work,
& shall be very proud of
it. When you again write
to Grandmama you had
better send the letter to Uncle
Arthur & he will forward
it to her, Grandpapa &
Grandmama were in Lyford
when they last wrote to me

I will tell Grandmama
to try & get the letter
you sent to Brussels
they have not visited that
town in their travels. Papa
& I think you are both getting
on nicely with your writing
It is getting cold now in
Ambella, & we shall soon
begin fires in the evening.
Papa & I take a walk
now in the early morning
& we take out all the dogs
with us, & they stampede
about & enjoy themselves so
much. I am feeling strong
& well. I am thankful to

J

lock

To see you in
Holidays. It is
not done now

Unballed

May 18th / 66

My dear little Mary - Little,

I think it is now my
turn to write you a few lines as
Papa wrote to you by last
mail. So we are now quite
settled in our new "Bungalow"
we have no garden here, but
when the rainy season comes
on, we intend to make a
nice little flower garden, if
you can collect any flowers

Needs to send me some in a
letter. We are so very sorry to
hear that "Dear Auntie" has
suffered so much. I do so hope
she will soon be well again.

Many thanks to Mr. Pratt for
his letter to Papa which we
have just received. So dear
little Edith is getting on with
her writing! You must both
send children soon write to
us again. Aunt. Kate wrote
to say she intended taking

Gavin down to see you in
the Easter Holidays. It is
getting very hot here now
indeed it is very fatiguing
even writing a letter. Papa
and I now get-up at four
o'clock in the morning for
our ride & come in at six
this is the only ~~time~~ ~~we~~ ~~can~~
get-up during the day
Everyone that can get-away
from Emballe have gone
off to the Hills. The heat is
very great now. Give my
love to Mr & Mrs Watson

Dear Mother
When you next see them
we are very pleased to hear
you are ~~well~~ getting on
so nicely. I shall be very
glad when "Dear Hunter"
is able to write to me again
~~to~~ together you will soon
be ~~working~~ in your little
gardens now - How I wish I
could be with you & enjoy
the nice fine summer weather
at home. With our united
kind regards to Mr. Scott &
Dear Hunter & with love

Feb 7th / 69

My dear Mary Lettice,

I must enclose a few lines in "Dear Auntie's" letter to tell you how pleased Papa & I were to hear such a good account of you both, that dear little Lettice had said her two pieces of poetry so nicely, & that you & Maria dear Mary had named such a pretty name sound the Mary Lettice. How much you must all have

enjoyed yourselves I enclose
you a few cards. I hope
they will be
useful to you. I hope
you will be
pleased to get
some little notes from
Edith & also from
the
girls
!!!
but you will have to wait
some months before it
arrives. I hope
you will be
pleased to get
some little notes from
Edith & also from
the
girls

19th Feb 1847

My dear Mary & Edith
We were very glad
to receive such nice letters from
you by this mail! & to hear
you had so many nice
presents in your stockings
at Xmas! I hope dear Auntie
has given you a very nice
new year's present from Papa
& I. We are going to send
you home by a Mr Campbell
two very pretty little lockets,
we hope you will take great
care of them, & not lose them
Mr C leaves here about
the 15th of March. He is

such a nice person, &
has such a dear little
boy. I think you will be
charmed with them both!
It was very kind of Aunt
Slyd to send you such
nice books. Aunt Slyd
says that everyone thinks
that little Isabel is very
like me. I think so too from
her picture. We have
a French lady coming
to dine with us this evening
a Madame Marcellie, she
finds it very dull out
in India, so very few people
can talk to her. I like her

very much, she sometimes
comes out for a drive with
me of an evening. I drive
a very high Mail Coach
& a pair of horses. Then
I can get a "Photo" taken of
"Jumps" I will send it to
you, he is a quick &
sharp boy & will make
a very good servant in
time, he shall bring him
home to England with
us. You must have enjoyed
the Circus very much, it
was very kind of Mr. Deak
to take you. I think Papa

would like very much
to have a pr of Cuffs dear
Mary of your Aunt's;
it is quite old enough
in the winter to wear
them. Aunt Lloyd was much
pleased with the Cuffs you
sent her. I think you ought
to send Grandpa a
pair he would be so proud
of them, he has been very
ill lately. With our best love
& kisses ever dear children

Your affec^d Mother
M. J. Sewall

Wm Marshall

Dear Mother

kindness

Dear Mother

May 30th

much

changed

My dear Mother and Lotith,
 This must be a
 short letter as I am very
 busy packing up to go to
 Providence for a few days
 both days. I missed writing
 to you last mail and thank
 dear Aunt for her letter
 to me written from Oxford

I will write you a long
letter when we get into a
colder climate, the least
exertion now is very fatiguing,
the thermometer is now 88

which dear Auntie will
tell you is a great heat -
Yesterday it was 90. I
hope you will have received
the jams etc this you
must ask Auntie to let
Uncle Arthur take the

Will Gorseberry Jam some
day when he gets down
to see you. We are to
stay another year from
next Nov^r in Umballa we
are very much pleased at
this as we have only one
other station to go to before
we come home. Grandmama
was so pleased to get your
letters. I think you must
have had a very happy
time at Furburne with
Aunt Bessie and all

your Cousins. Eddie
must be a big boy
now. When you next
write dear Mary you
must tell me what you
would like to have next
at the day present. Then I

will ask dear Auntie to
get it for you. We are
longing to get your
Photo's when are we to
have them? it is now
nearly two years since we
left England, and you
must

rather the
less. I
" "
been

Amaballa

Augst. 4th.

My dear Mary & Edith,
You are now I fancy
at the seaside enjoying
yourselves very much. I was
glad to hear from "dear
Auntie" that you dear
Mary were quite well again.
I recollect Margate. Papa & I
went over there by train when
we were all staying in Ramsgate.
Papa & I are going away
for 2 months from 1st Oct^r
to 1st Feb^r. We have put
our trip off as late as

possible as we have then
have lovely weather on the
Hills & it will do us so much
good. Then your birthday
comes dear Mary you must
ask "Dear Auntie" to give you
half a crown & Edith half
a crown from me, and
you can have anything
else you like dear Mary
as Papa's present. I was pleased
to see your doll was still
in existence you must
have taken great care
of it. How much I should
like to take walks with

you & gather the beautiful
wild flowers. I should like
to have seen "Dear Auntie"
crowned with roses & honey-
suckle! We are very vexed
that you had not received
the box of James when Auntie
last wrote to me. Papa is
now going to write to Capt.
Nixon about it. I suppose
Uncle Arthur will soon
be in London & your
Grandpapa & Grandmama
were so pleased to see
him. I am sorry to hear
Mr & Mrs Watson are going
to leave Blackheath

Give our love to them
when you see them.

You must have some
game of play now you
have another little companion.

I will write again when

we are on the hills

& tell you all we are

doing. Papa & I send

kind regards to dear "Mamma"

& Mr. Pratt & with our

love to you both & plenty

of kisses. ³³ ever

Your affectionate Mother

M. W. Marshall

our best love

to you dear children
and Mamma's

kinners

hear it
is so

to Mamma

Mr. Jowers

Trussville

Nov 6th 11

Pop's birthday!

My dear Mary & Edith,

We received your

letters of Sept^r 25th about a week

ago, you both seem to have had

a very merry time at the Sea

side and to have enjoyed

your selves very much. When we

were all at Hamsgate Tape

and I walked one day to

Broadstairs by the fields, then
on as far as the North Ireland
lighthouse where you say you

took tea - could
not manage to walk back
again all the way to Rams-
gate, but got onto a train
at Broadstairs to take us
home. I have just been
writing to Mrs Probert, to
thank her for her kindness
to you dear children. I
should like to have the view
of Broadstairs very much
dear Mary. To hear little
Edith can play & sing the
vesper hymn. How
much I hope and I would

like to hear it. Our visit
to the hills is nearly over
now, it is so cool and
pleasant in Umballa now
we shall be glad to get
into our own house again
and settle down for the winter.
I was glad to hear from dear
Auntie that you are getting
on nicely dear children with
plain work. I am most
anxious that you should be
able to work nicely. I hope
dear Mary that you got the
book box from us as a birthday
present, nicely fitted up with

everything as you desired it.
I must write to Uncle Arthur
by this mail. I suppose
Aunt Lucy Lloyd must
be in London by this time
as Mrs. Bobbett wrote that
Uncle Arthur expected the
Lloyds to be in England
shortly. I should like you
to make the acquaintance
of your little cousin Isabel.
I will write to dear Auntie
next mail when we are
in Umbagog. Papa & I
write in kind regards to dear
Auntie and Mr. Pratt and both

I think I shall leave
Lamballa for the Hills
about the end of April,
At present, it is cooler
than usual for the time
of year here, we have had
a heavy fall of rain which
has cooled the air, & will
make the weather very
pleasant until the end
of this month; on the
20th the new Governor-General
of India, (the Earl of Mayo)
comes to Lamballa and his

way to Simla, he is
going to hold a grand
"Darbar" here. It is supposed
for the purpose of forming
a Treaty with Sher Ali
the ruler of Afghanistan
to prevent the Russians
making any further
incursions towards India.
Sher Ali has already
reached Peshawar, & will
soon be here. A great
many regts are to be

stationed here while
the "Darbar" lasts to make
a grand show! A
number of Rajahs will
come from all parts
of the country I shall
write & tell you all about
it, I have often wished
to see the "Darbar" but
have never had an
opportunity. I hope "Dear
Auntie" is feeling
pretty well now.
With our united kind

regards to "Dear Auntie"
& Mr. Pratt, & with our
best love dear children
ever,

Your affectionate Mother,

M. J. Turnbull

Papa has written to
Aunt Catharine by this
mail. I think I have
sent you dear Mary
some very pretty cards
in this letter —

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I went to a "Tiffin" party
last Monday (three days ago)
given by a Col & Mrs. Matthews,
it was the birthday of one
of their little girls, Grace
Matthews, she is in
England, we all drank
her health! I was much
pleas'd near Mary with
the two verses of poetry! I
shall like to read your
Tairy Tale! I am glad
near Edith had a nice
doll & cradle! I have
given our house here a
new name, it is now

called "Gordon Lodge" —

We are making some
alterations in the house,
& the maids are busy
at work. It is very hot
now in London, but I am
thankful to say Papa
keeps in good health,
& is brought up here,
but Mr. W. has done a great
deal of good, & enable
him to get through
the hot season well. —

Give my kind regards
to dear Auntie. Mr. W. &
& with love & kisses over