

Norman
Sept 2.
My little Annie 6th - Birth
My dear Alfred,
I am so glad to hear from you
and how often I have longed for a
long chat & news through the
medium of my pen, but writing
now seems a most difficult
task in the very anxious state
I am in. I shall say that I have not been
silent - I have just been
kind words about what is
to me a very real sorrow. The
death of my dear father
brother - but a fresher sorrow
still has fallen upon you
in the intelligence I read last
night of the falling asleep of
your dear mother. I feel so sorry
you should not have found
it so welcome & I trust
and more, because you
are so young & with so much
life before you.

into for her self. God seemed to
 have given her the number & length
 of days in abundance & then
 took a pedagogue of a way
 & a teacher in Paradise. What
 a wonderful journey that must
 be, if we are permitted to reach
 it. I hope those we have loved
 & lost are there. Think it is better
 are hence of the death of those
 we love that we long to have
 been taken with the Master. But I know
 such thoughts should not be mixed
 with God's. I know what is best for
 us & there is no lack of work to
 be done here to those who are
 who have the care of children.
 Perhaps you have heard of the
 recent sudden loss of my wife -
 My sister had been unusually
 well. They had had a house
 in Ipswich for the season & been
 going out a good deal to introduce
 their eldest daughter. My sister
 had left England on the
 Wed. & returned in strength

hoping to return for September
 when they return. I got to Memphis
 the following Sunday. They came
 to pass the day with me. Mr. [unclear]
 his eldest son & daughter. They
 had just arrived. (I had been
 as bright as whirling in [unclear]
 & [unclear] as once. He told me
 in the afternoon, of certain [unclear]
 [unclear] he had had [unclear]
 a [unclear] but [unclear] [unclear]
 to [unclear] & I [unclear] a kind of
 let me arrange for him to see
 a Dr. next day. He ^{was} about to walk
 home at 10 A.M. when suddenly
 a severe pain came on. One
 paroxysm after another. & in
 1/4 of an hour all was over!
 It was that sort of paroxysm
 we could not [unclear] for a
 time & I had always [unclear]
 in him. I had been for [unclear]
 had been so [unclear] [unclear]
 [unclear] that I shall miss
 him as long as I live. But
 to his family the loss is [unclear]
 - table. My [unclear] [unclear]

as bound it wonderfully.
 As they say so shall my thought
 be. Has been the gift to her -
 she came over & immediately sent
 to her with the children
 & there she stayed till the
 end of this month, & I. had
 the day and he came in the
 country. His affection was of a
 of the heart. It is our great
 by overwork of the brain. He
 gave much interest thought &
 application & what else he could
 - look & the work at the same
 he had in hand for a new church
 & London bore upon ^{him} as he was
 pressed in time. When the life
 of the London seamen which
 was added to this - not taking
 its place - all proved too
 much. & the Lord I supposed
 he would not with it here.
 I must & believe he is not now?
 His character was one I have
 wished you to know thoroughly
 you would have valued
 him extremely. I know
 well with are the same in
 his real genius in certain

pass to it in the intense humi-
lity with which he overwhelmed
himself. - But I am obliged to
other people.

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I have married and about
17 miles to the village of a happy
one. I have seen Emily, Barnaby
a few times. She is bright, & unaffected
& I like her warmly. I have
known her in other relations. I
do not think she has its influence
on her. I am thankful to say
we meet without any outward
strain or constraint. I have done
with her several times in London.
I do not think his English feeling
is a bit altered. He would
speak as the same irritation
if he spoke to all of the first
but I am thankful for this
amount of improvement in our
relations. I have seen
William to see in writing.
He married in 1844. He
18th Sept. after which the couple
went to Tripoli & Latham. I
have seen Alfred from the River
Hills party in a white tonic in
Wash. Caroline goes to Tarry
town. She has not seen you

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I have been 15 months the & I have
will change places later as I am
in respect to be laid up in the
& altho it is a distant affair
is in a distant place to be perfectly
quite for some months as I have
has been so infirm & I have
before. It is desirable that I should
be at home & I have only come
here in a despatching way, with
a few servants & my small child.
as I could not prevail on my
father to move. He felt quite
used up by the stress & noises
of London & the great shock of
that sad event, which told in
my father as he loved him as
a son. I am to leave again in
a few weeks. Charles Le May
came from the Britannia was
a very good & commanding officer
& was appointed to the St George
he had only sailed 10 days when
his father died. Mr. B. the
Pastor the Chaplain (do you know him)
wrote back a nice letter about
the boy after he had told him of
his loss & he said no one sympathized
was more warm than the Prince's,
as his own sorrow had come

into mine to in the same way & that day
put his boy into the will. These I don't
now had just taken a fruit (apples)
at Oxford. I don't feel. I don't feel
father had tried to know these
things, which gave him a great
knowledge. I don't say boys are doing
well. I don't place in that high at
them. I don't say I still want to
write to you especially to tell you
to keep me. I don't want to write
to tell him about I wish to be a
pioneer especially when I remember
all the trouble you have had
about me & my children. Harry
seems to have a very fixed opinion
in the matter & he has not decided
from this. I should feel so happy
if you can make the necessary application
to him on his behalf. I don't think
in the first instance to have his
name put down. He will not be
12 till March. I rather hope
he may not embark till he is
nearly 14, but I suppose this is the
right time to begin to move with
you kindly tell me about it. One
thing more Harry advised me to
write to you. I don't know if
occasionally that right as
many of my family are. but
I don't think this may not be a hindrance

as the boy is really anxious for
the Professor I intend to persuade
him readily to it. I am going to
to Wals and I will come home in
his career although it is not the
one I should have chosen -
I hope hear of y. Child & always
read interesting reports. My Mother
was here during her late holiday
she told me a story of a boy of 15
Black & he seemed to be very
much. "Oh. You dear woman! I
threw you so much. I am to my own
own Papa in all the world." he is
a great friend of little John who is
I am told a most holy Child.
I would call and to the perfect
perhaps today. I am not to forget
the Doctor that wrote to her
said quite confidently she was
recovering. I think it may be so
I would be glad to see her. I am not
very it will take you to the
and this is the best type. But
it is unhappily the best I can
do. Sometimes at night I have
a wonderful power of finding
my pen into I will let it jump
Post. I am not to this. You beautiful
Picture. I am not to this. I am not
in P. Place N. 7. N. 8. & 1

Since visiting the fort last, I have
 been enquiring for the Junior, &
 will they have flown. I shall
 never say the is so much better
 they have gone to Brunswick Lane
 to make a proposal for change
 of air returning here before
 I can say the winter in the
 new house he has bought near
 Capt. Junior - I think you will be
 glad to hear this. -

John Joseph de la Sabie says I may
 send any receipt through the
 Admiralty. I hope it is so, as
 I contribute to your Photograph
 book -