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- 2 /.../ All you tell me about your work makes me so glad - I can well understand your feeling of a duty - and having pleasure in it too now - You were quite right not to write to me sooner darling -
- 3 /.../ How can I thank you darling for your unselfish love to me and her and being willing to let me go first up to Natal - The delay will be hard to me too except that it's being as I think a duty that ought to be done and best before I come to you for ever my darling. Wich make it almost easy and light and of course except the being away from you .... /.../
- 5 But God and you will help me as has been the case now - ~~xxxxxxkfully~~  
/.../ I did speak to Dr. Wolff - I believe he was quite satisfied as to my going South in autumn - Indeed I feel ~~sure~~ he was for our dear Mother who saw him afterwards quite happy and satisfied



brighter & like more of its  
most precious words of love  
& comfort I can say - by  
whole heart thank you for  
it daily - & all its great  
help & love -

Many thanks for all help  
sent - it will be of great value  
to me -

Oh yes like me all your work  
makes me so glad -

I can well understand you  
feel it a duty - & very pleasant  
at it too now -

You were quite right not  
to write to me so suddenly -  
The same reason as yours  
made me write my last  
letter to our dear home first  
this afternoon -

I dare not try to answer your  
precious letter now & day  
for fear of being too late for post -  
You know how my heart  
answers it all -

How can I thank you day for your  
unselfish love & make her in my  
will to let me go first with  
Natal - The delay will be  
hard to me too & I expect - that it  
be as I think a duty that ought  
to be done & best before I leave  
to you for ever & day - with  
make it almost easy - light -  
& of course I expect the day  
away from you it will be  
my way - a great joy  
to me - But that I expect  
takes so large a piece that  
it is the duty that I think far  
more of - in accepting (as per



we can now see) you dear  
myself perhaps on about  
it —

I hope to write to the Bishop of Exeter  
soon ready for his arrival.

I don't even say Germany —

Yes dear I'm very glad you  
write to dear Fancie — reg.

My wife & I get my letters late of it at  
same time too — perhaps I for-

get to tell that 'conscience' that  
will look them a letter too

to tell them —

I'm so glad you found dear Kk's  
letter what I had hoped I'd

be so glad too that you dear  
is satisfied as to what he wishes

for us —

of trustees I'll speak next  
time

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I'm only an hour ere mail  
goes in w<sup>th</sup> the winter you & I  
own our dear — How glad

I am that it sh<sup>d</sup> happen  
thus your heart will know  
but I don't tell it —

only get you most precious  
letter on your arrival here you  
will find Antwerp — & too

time to dare write to you for  
the ~~last~~ afternoon — But I

am much better than so you  
must not mind or think  
any of this little necessity

dear —

How glad — thank you for  
for your dear dear letter  
& all its good news of you



Autumn - Indeed I feel sure  
he was for our dear Mother  
who saw him afterword  
~~and~~ quite happy & satisfied  
- we know he is here spoken  
plainly to her - ~~that~~ to me  
he evidently found it diff-  
cult to put his thoughts into  
words from his very im-  
perfect command of Eng-  
lish more his imperfect  
understanding of it when  
spoken to him -  
But I trust to see  
my beloved & to wish  
you more of what he  
may now say, need I say?

Indeed dear I wish he could  
all the while & not share  
expense here where safety is  
concerned - No by day  
I quite understand your  
dear words all it, quite  
- the love that Mother  
of course I can decide  
on a reply to her after  
next mail when I think  
will by me the answer  
to yours of June 5 -

Our dear Mother said I  
must tell you what  
a hurried little moment  
she wrote the scrap which  
I enclose, at last week,  
not even having time to



read it —

She is indeed a dear dear  
mother —

I trust our sisters will  
have told you of Carl  
months with them as  
I haven't written much  
now —

Goodbye to our dear  
with all my love

Your wife  
Gertrude

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Oh my dear I can't say what your dear  
words all led me come to you (and  
the poor) are to me — Thank God for  
them —

I do think that in his sight you are  
right — so that we have the pain  
of our friends that us wrong we  
need not deeply mind it or any  
else —

Yes dear I think I know what  
you are doing in writing this — may  
inward struggles of that — feel the  
past months tell me that I do —  
But God & you will help me as  
has been the case now —

to thankfulness you most thankful  
to take the unspeakable joy  
& blessedness he has given  
me & not to murmur at  
what he may withhold —

I did speak to Dr Wolff —  
I believe he was quite satis-  
fied as to my joy & health