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June 6<sup>th</sup> 1891. "Arthur Jones's St. John Wood."

Decided another 'beginning' - my life.  
My part book will be 'out' in a few days: I am  
to Norway for a 3 weeks holiday with  
J. Wells, 2<sup>nd</sup> Bridgen 2 S.W. The beginning of  
a new life out of which the old loneliness &  
hardness will be banished.

June 20<sup>th</sup>

Beautiful Norwegian scenery: Mr. Graham  
Wells is a light-pleasant jolly - clear Bridgen.  
Definitely enjoyed on a "new life"; for the other persons -  
S.W. & Alice from New here 1891.

At times I am afraid - & I dreadfully ask myself.  
Whether from my own point of view I have been wise.  
But it need for a warmer & more responsible life -  
for responsible relationships with another human  
being - has made it seem the best even for me.  
The work will wonder. On the face of it it seems an  
extraordinary and 1. It was brilliant Betina Potter -  
(but it is just because it is not my 'end' that  
I have put you into it)

to marry the aw egypt letters men with no  
 overt passion less means - those my  
 recommendation - so some may say - is his a certain  
 pushing ability. And I am not 'i love' - not  
 as I was. But I see something else in him -  
 (the words is say that was part of my life.) a  
 fine intellect, a warm heartedness, a love  
 of self-sacrifice & self-education for the  
 "Common Good" his marriage will be based  
 on 'fellowship' - a common faith & a common  
 work - . His feeling is the passionate love of  
 his mother's man, mine the growing tenderness  
 of the mother touched with the dependence of the  
 woman on the help of a strong lover - and  
 in the background there is the affectionate camaraderie,  
 the 'fun' the strenuous helpfulness of  
 two young workers in the same cause. ~~That~~  
 Workers have this great advantage - that  
 there is a great fund of 'playfulness & high  
 spirits' in the times of rest - after the year's  
 labour. Our holy days will be real  
 holidays - nothing is too small or too trivial  
 to yield amusement & interest to two

two-works individuals who have given themselves  
 a rest from work. He is in a state of happy  
 meditation - I am beginning to feel it rest  
 inward. It will not wound me from my  
 life, simply raise it to a higher level of usefulness.

The long dreamy days with the beautiful  
 scenes passing by; the mountains, fields  
 rivers waterfalls all ~~pass~~ in rapid succession  
 lend a stillness to our mind ~~and~~  
~~and~~ a lengthened brooding over  
 the past & the future. It is well to have this  
 time of almost religious rest - the Sabbath  
 of emotion - for with both of us there is a long  
 dusty road - with steep inclines - before us.  
 Our life will be strenuous - may it not also  
 be successful? We have honestly only one issue -  
 the common-weal: Oh may not the current  
 of our lives be deep and unruffled by the all-  
 the <sup>surface</sup> ~~capitulations~~ of personal ~~getting~~ success & failure.

Slufteren . July 7<sup>th</sup>

On last evening - high up in the Highlands of Norway. It is raining & I am lying on my bed, knocked up with climbing the 'Toppes'.

The last two days we have been discussing our future. Last spring Sidney decided to leave the C.O. & expect to make sufficient & governmental to go into Politics. Now it is no longer necessary for him to make money, since I shall have enough for both. So we have had to reconsider all the 'half arrangements' he had made & with 'Lorenz Letters' for provincial papers & with a 'Lorenz Review'. Last evening, by the glow of the sunset we considered over the more-land, hand & hand; & rather somewhat thus:

**BT:** I don't want to influence you in the detail of what you do, for every one must work out his own life; but I think it is time that you deliberately planned what you intend to be - & that you made every thing else fall in with that.

**SW** You forget that he has been impossibly bitter. ~~It is not~~ that I want to let the last &

The program of A County according to Social -  
principles: I also want to think out the  
problems of <sup>social</sup> administration before they ~~can~~  
actually come up for solution.

B. P. Lark. That is exactly my view of  
what you ought to do. But writing 'London letters'  
& writing 'Edin review,' will help you to that.  
You know that I think more highly of your abilities  
than you do yourself: So I don't mind saying  
that in order to become a first rate administrator  
you want more education in the technique of  
administration, & that is why to think out  
various social problems you want <sup>technical</sup> knowledge  
of these ~~technical~~ very questions: The London County  
Council will help you to do it - helping  
me will free you the other.

S. W. I agree with you about my deficiencies: but -  
I think there is a danger that in trying for big  
things we may diminish our usefulness - that  
is refusing the smaller influence we gain  
by casual promotion we may be neglecting the  
only work we are capable of doing well. To  
help you will be one of my principle aims -

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but for other reasons - what I am  
undecided about is whether you are not  
( & I also ) too ambitious for me - whether  
you are not expecting too much from me.

But do I wish - expect anything in particular  
from you - I do not know whether you  
with the justices, & whether the opportunity  
will offer itself for you to become a really  
big man. About that; I do not much care.  
We are not responsible for your abilities or  
for the circumstances which might make those  
realized abilities - 'the talent of the  
house'. But it is clear that your abilities  
are sufficiently good to enable you to do  
first rate work on the County Council - for instance.  
In the County Council alone there is a magnificent  
field for administrative ability - & for the  
handling of men, & committees in which  
you excel. Now that work is infinitely more  
important at the present moment, than any  
amount of small formalities. As that is  
of itself ~~infinitely~~ significant, there are



apparently few (if any) men who are at once willing & able to do it - Only journalists of any degree of distinction abroad.

And after all tho' I do not think you a first rate political instrument - so far as we can see there are no men in political life who are at once good instruments for making Public Opinion & good instruments for executing it. You unite these qualities of thinking & acting; tho' we are uncertain to what degree: & you have also the means to do it with which is most useful to the community. <sup>any</sup> Both of

us second-rate persons: but we are curiously combined - I am the investigator, & ~~he~~ the executor - & we have a wide & varied experience of men & things between us. We have also suffered an unearned injury. This forms an almost unique conjunction of circumstances.

~~Some~~ A crisis will certainly be the result; if we can combine our talents with a deliberate & persistent purpose."

2 So - ow. //

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I have given these bold notes of our conversation, because we would like to look back & see how far the future justifies our present plans.

A large part of our thoughts are thrown up into the future. We are both of us in the mid current of our life's work. We are both of us grave & anxious that our marriage - our happiness & each other's love - shall not interfere with the ~~work of each~~ ~~separately~~ separate work. I am especially anxious & fearful - & he, for me, - that ~~we~~ ~~not~~ ~~let~~ my work should be ended & I absorbed in the details of domestic life. I do not despise these details.

But it is as we try to <sup>find</sup> ~~our~~ ~~husband~~ ~~with~~ ~~acceptant~~ effort & then deciding it for a rough task. It may have been misdirected effort to make the husband - it may be a mistake to transform the woman into the thinker - but if the mistake has been paid for, we may have ~~thus~~ ~~way~~ ~~the~~ ~~best~~ ~~and~~ ~~accepted~~ result.

This next year I shall devote to the T. U. work - & he will help me. He on the other hand, will be preparing for the life of an active administrator.

two we will both try to keep humble, earnest,  
 & pure. For we have a great responsibility  
 laid upon us. Not only ~~two~~ each one of us  
 faculty & the opportunity of using it, but both  
 together - the two united from a true  
 marriage of fellow-workers - a perfect fellowship.  
 It is for us to show that such a marriage  
 may be durable & fruitful.

July 15<sup>th</sup> 64 Avenue D.

A rather painful interview with my Mother.  
 I felt obliged to tell the Brothers - tho' now I  
 am inclined to thank it over a minute.  
 I hoped that after our long friendship they would  
 have come forward & would have tried to get  
 to know Sidney. But evidently it is extremely  
 distasteful to them. Feeling this, I suggested that  
 they might find it easier, ~~not~~ considering that  
 my engagement was not known to my family, to  
 ignore it themselves - to wait until we were  
 married to be friends with him. And she heartily  
 concurred. That evening little look of veiled  
 determination came over her face, and she said

" you see Charlie & I have nothing in common  
 with W. Wells. Charlie would never go to  
 him for help, & he would never go to Charlie,  
 so that it would not be natural for them to  
 see each other. ~~And~~ <sup>When</sup> you are married it will  
 be different. Then there will be the relationship."

Then the subject dropped & for the rest  
 of the interview we talked electronically about  
 C's work & then about me. She never  
 mentions my book, tho' I had given <sup>before I left for Russia</sup> it her.  
 As I had written a warm letter of  
 appreciation of C's book, I did feel a little  
 hurt. But perhaps she is not happy  
 to think of it. Any how it does not  
 do to be sensitive. But it was not  
 my intention that I should sit down &  
 cry - not about their not thinking much  
 of my little book - but of their not  
 really caring to know him. It soon passed  
 over & now I feel strong again &  
 cheerful. She has a narrow conventional  
 notion: & in spite of a genuine affection  
 for me she cannot take it.

114 Castle St. (12A)  
Liverpool  
Charles Booth  
15 July 1891

Dear Beatrice

I had intended writing to you about your book but now an <sup>even</sup> more interesting subject has intervened. I have seen both your letters to Mary & know how kindly you & Mr Webb have taken what we have said against your engagement. It will give me great pleasure to become better acquainted with Mr Webb, & I feel I shall gain much from a close & continuing contact with the school of thought & action which he is so brilliant a representative. Yours will now be a life of

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action I suppose, rather than  
of investigation or abstract  
thought. Your powers would  
take you far I think in any  
of the three; perhaps they are  
hard to combine - I find it  
so myself. To action I have  
never pretended, & any claim  
on abstract thought I abandon  
as a childish delusion - so  
nothing is left for me but in-  
vestigation -

Your too kind appreciation  
of vol II was delightful & very  
to me - I have had too much  
praise but must try to work  
up to it.

Just now I am all the week & two, week in Liverpool on getting to London for Sunday but still I hope we may meet at any rate the time will come & meanwhile I wish you happiness with all my heart.

Yours affectionately  
Charles Booth

I like your book in some ways very much indeed - your exposition of the futility of the sentimental school's position & arguments as to productive cooperation is perfect & the connection you show between cooperative success & democratic management most interesting.

CP

P. J. O

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Stewellyn Smith may be coming  
to see me on Sunday about the  
Traders' inquiry - at least I have  
asked him to come - Could you  
tell him before then of your  
changed plans? It would  
keep me if he knew of them.

CP



loyal heart my view of my own life & accept-  
t. But from Charlie I expected something  
different; he is too big a man for that & his  
feeling for me was warm & strong. A  
shadow has crept between <sup>has deepened</sup> ~~us~~ into a  
Darkness.

16<sup>th</sup> July 1891 I was unfair to Charlie Dost. His  
opinion has let it better of his prejudice; I may  
yet feel remorseful for the gentle way  
I treated him unlike of a profane eye S.

Alice Green is warmly complimentary about  
my exert; it is Haldane, son of South

31<sup>st</sup> In spite of his letter, C Dost has not offered  
to see me; & they have expressed to me not to  
come on Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> or 22<sup>nd</sup> he is in London.  
As yet they can afford to be angry to go out to  
see men acquaintance such as St. Vincent's.  
Obviusly either he is vexed or simply indifferent.  
As she still keeps me, she I see her, as an  
unfortunate misled person who is to be pitied & partly  
reproached for the propriety  
of her conduct.

But I am not going to push myself  
 on it. I shall stop here a very short time  
 to check Book 2 and expressions for her.  
 If they can be 'put down' to me - well -  
 I must think of them tomorrow & go on  
 my way.

August 10<sup>th</sup> Brechin, ground in Trad. Club.  
 S.W. comes & works with me. Yesterday being  
 Sunday & not he came at 11.15. We  
 allowed 1/2 hour for confidential talk and "human  
 nature" & then worked hard at 11-  
 I ran through records (Ch. they had sent us). Then  
 lunch equally, a little more "human nature"  
 & the "mother" two hours work. A cup of tea, walk  
 to the Alhambra, work at the Social Science  
 records & at Lehigh & Denver. 2 the Dining  
 room up comes W. Chulham a mild  
 Individualist liberal - former member, present  
 candidate. We get into a very discussion  
 I introduce S., & then we turned on him  
 & revised his "liberal" creed. He sets forth  
 & helps, shifting his position fr. week

a prior objection to interference & ~~interference~~  
~~shortcomings~~ ~~objection~~ Deprecating interjections  
 that it was not "practical"; he left him rather  
 dazed - not quite certain whether he was  
 angry or convicted a simply muddled.

It is very sweet - this warm & close  
 companionship & work. The danger is that I  
 shall lean on him too much & get into a chronic  
 state of watching him at work & thinking that  
 I am working too. But one happiness is  
 each other takes us off from the work - it is  
 a fine addition to some of ~~your~~ <sup>the work</sup> delight  
 And it should exert our efforts - strengthen  
 our capacity to make the happiness possible  
 to other men & women.

14<sup>th</sup> Working my way at H.H. Office. Sp  
 Lusk's having given me a room where  
 Blue Book was brought - to me I a first  
 Divis. clerk. There I set a that big special  
 apparatus shown with dispatch notes is  
 solitary day with the roar of wheelball  
 below & by Ben talking out ~~the~~ <sup>the</sup>  $\frac{1}{4}$  in  
 occasionally one gets a bit other of my

- supernatural

Neighbors comes in to see how I am getting  
 on - 2 Red Cross the Chief Inspector  
 of Factories gave me a lengthy visit. Then  
 is it feeling of being inside a big machine  
 but oh! to control it - to me it is making  
 the steam as significant useful & useful  
 in its special residence. To be a powerful  
 addition we would need to have close  
 relations with two classes of persons -  
 the first body of permanent officials with  
 whom it carries out of its law rules, &  
 the Secretaries & in particular of its big  
 voluntary organization with whom the  
 making of the law depends. That shall be  
 - by social aim - to be run alongside  
 in work.

Admission of Trade Unions to dine  
 here (Tom Herbert Spencer! to think  
 that his largest Drawing-room is really  
 it seems of sedate talk cloud of tobacco  
 and whisky). Maxwell, Davidson's  
 from security - the shrewdest of men

who is friendly to me with the others, & wishes to  
 help. But a cynic of the Trade Union world  
 is (no means less) - more intriguing than  
 it cooperative work.) "I do not believe  
 that there was a single Society of the Trade Union  
 that did not wish to [witness] [Dr. Hunt]  
 to ask for an appointment as Factory Inspector:  
 (By the way, the whole of the Home Office has  
 been thrown in great opportunity within  
 an of factory inspectors) you have no idea -  
 nothing new will do anything in your  
 anything is now to be free of manual  
 labour. There is no effort - they won't  
 make 20 movements they won't stop to  
 to off' turn themselves out. an 'Office man'  
 It is feeling conscience of the fact makes  
 the so suspicious of each other."

He is yet a good natured, with a  
 detection of intellect - have you seen his  
 views - except about persons & there too  
 he is in harmony & a sharp stinging tongue.  
 He works for Dr. Hunt - night & day;  
 for very little pay, but with apparent devotion.  
 His "method" is a riddle: he is mysterious

with no apparent convictions - except - mental  
deception of things divine & human.

I see I shall have some trouble  
to get my information. That of the Pres.  
Chambers speaks in law has a suspicious  
ness, with an anti-Johnsonian bias.  
Moreover some they themselves in quantity  
there is ~~the~~ <sup>the</sup> then put a head of  
then Assistant Secretary. The latter is usually  
their competitor for supreme office; &  
is himself elected by the body of the members  
in a sort of check with general security.  
If you have one for you, you usually  
have it then against you. But we shall  
see.

Aug. 19th

The last day is thus pleasant & warm: fine  
with a happiness - a happiness which is  
becoming more complete and improving each day.

The Market of Iowa: if he has now so long  
after being working very together understanding  
the individualities of the British sea. - W.K.



to New Court arriving Monday -  
at a second time "Homes" is a  
very short of the 2000 Capital.

The 1st part of the Copy work:  
I in the <sup>last part</sup> ~~first part~~ for introduction  
to find Section & it faithful  
Group as a return to meet at next  
phase. The heavy study of that work -  
the paper working by the Platform  
of the Copy work. Don't judge Page  
a book of funds; Lady De la  
~~copy~~ working in a line of copy -  
it that I can see on account. But -

I will by last year, ~~copy~~  
had no time & low energy to spend  
to catch the movement of the differ-  
ent Sections & the subject of  
interests outside. The Copy to a  
was more the Anti-Chamber of 19  
work.

Don't it heavy study of 1st work  
I have done to open the work, a  
time to interest after interest



The work is still the same - 2 1/2 per day  
 out "shop" still. Looking 2 work less -  
 2 00 cents less - work 2 shop - 2  
 the work again. By cramps fingers  
 work down of work taking theater position  
 work - my head throes with "constitutions"  
 Excitations, small cramps, I hope  
 nothing, slight dizziness, headache  
 looks, sneezes - with slight  
 pressure - "Sitting" Disputes, 2 to  
 Disputes - but all the organs of X  
 3 body 2 functions of 2 in the  
 to from the Federal 2 work  
 2 stick out the Britain working despite  
 2 2 will, remember this is an important  
 point - the sharp with letter re.  
 5 "preparation" very morning - one half  
 down of walking down of the cramps  
 fingers - the 2 throes of work again.  
 2 both with hi. to 2 per day 2  
 will be here working 2 10...

Oct 10<sup>th</sup> A "Vicious" time. He found me with

worked out - with the construction  
 of new church work 2<sup>nd</sup> manuscript -  
 proof of a mining village - in  
 pd main cottage. Within I had you  
 the "physiometric" He took me  
 on to accumulate work - 2 that  
 I have been lying in the office he  
 has been busy abstractly 2 collecting  
 stuff recorded in sq by a few  
 brief intervals of "human nature"  
 on it especially in the afternoon club  
 of tea. With me usual conditions  
 I have taken a private secretary  
 (he stays at small hotel) & he spends  
 the day with me - it is a part of  
 "private secretary" The usual little kind-  
 of whistling of the hotel he so  
 spend with the bulk of my correspondence  
 2 it long in of work but I do not  
 think they suspect - "the intervals of  
 human nature" - but think we shall  
 that I have my American here  
 at it all in a day.

to see that I am fairly well again  
 we are driving through to some of  
 reports just 2 well - with the "blessedness"  
 of companionship. Without his help I doubt  
 whether I could have got through the work -  
 I have too little strength ~~to handle~~. Staying  
 however for the extent of my term.

And for him the inquiry will be  
 of matters we - as well as to me. The  
 Politician of the future must understand all  
 the details of industrial life. He must be  
 before all things a practical Economist -  
 of Economics - the widest sense here  
 rather than being the technical sense of  
 the politician <sup>with</sup> (the old) he is  
 learning through the own experience (since  
 with facts 2 men, a more professional  
 2 that few ~~see~~ - a wider field ~~and~~ is ~~needed~~  
 than for a ~~single~~ <sup>short</sup> personal ~~but~~ of ~~view~~ <sup>which</sup> ~~is~~ <sup>needed</sup>  
 in cooperation with the leaders of <sup>which</sup> ~~is~~ <sup>needed</sup>  
 working class organization throughout the  
 country will be a high, direct & concrete  
 - not to be despised! So that is helping  
 me he does not feel me as I am

That this work is just my concern.

Oct 16<sup>th</sup>

The last evening of the "Dance" festival,  
 & I have sent him talking to interview  
 to "Good Intent Cooper". Yesterday night  
 we had a - Talking is 2/c interview  
 Plunkett: saw today we have been here  
 at work in rules & reports. Certainly  
 be all a couple of months ago when  
 the change I see a new is a one idea  
 - now - the character is the sound -  
 by way of honesty - an character  
 that will be made more absolute by  
 the companionship. It is hard to  
 show that between ~~the~~ one idea and  
 2 or mental distractions! Tomorrow  
 I have the black book empty sections -  
 Each page I have now when we have  
 worked together I feel sad now at the  
 thought ~~that~~ ~~the~~ bit of happiness ~~that~~ part 2 page.

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Travels fr. Dartington to Durban  
- It rained when we chartered a bus wife.  
Watched them sit out a walk to the Sandulwa  
train 2 standing by the side until we speeded  
out of the station. He was looking self-absorbed -  
2 somewhat self-conscious - pushed to  
insure that he was recognized by the  
casual travellers. He has lost that old  
mild look - the keen striving expression  
of the enthusiastic stimulator of ambition.  
Perhaps he has lost both enthusiasm 2 the  
will to contend - personal ambition. His  
wife was a plain little thing - but sweet  
2 good 2 stuffy dressed. He was on his  
way to make a big speech at Sandulwa.  
I was on one of my unmerciful prying  
"in search of knowledge." I shuddered as  
I imagined the life I had missed. How  
indeed, I can blame him for his clear  
misunderstanding of my deficiencies for  
the great role of ~~Chamberlain's~~ "voluntary  
justice" to the policy of Chamberlain.

Dec 27th 1991. Boston

Two months here - resting and being the daughter & charge of the poor struggling dog Zetta. His health is terribly low - he has paroxysms & such he seems like an Dromedary - 2 thru intervals of some consciousness. It is horribly depressing - a card a poem was on a help Consciousness and I have been feeling incomplete & inefficient - weighted down with the weight of the believe before me. But on the whole it has been peaceful - working most days & it means on the Trade Prose Material - than reading writing & staring - but on the whole I have been working.

The year has been wonderful. By suggestion a very deliberate step - each condition thought out - thoroughly. Now it is an unconscious happening. Otherwise my life has little more. I am still the investigator - knowing the life of a Dromedary. By grace or some very few substances read etc.

Margaret Astor has finally disappeared:  
 in a strange way - Deliberate lying, mysterious  
 financial position have ~~fully~~ killed all  
 respect & trust on my side. Gradually I  
 began to doubt the truth of her accusations,  
 present I became aware of a certain  
 sinister side to her maneuvering, which  
 cut at the root of affection & confidence - &  
 so I allowed her a part of my  
 & began to cut the ties that bound us together.  
 It is a sad ending to an old friendship.

Another friendship - one which I value.  
 Christine & her husband. The Doctor has  
 practically dropped me - it remains to be  
 seen whether she will see the error of her  
 conduct. Recognizing an important work is  
 not known by relations is a true  
 woman & not a preparation for  
 parted with David of this friendship. In a  
 weeks time my father will know of my  
 engagement - then of the Doctor will come to  
 me the separation between us must come.  
 Any thing will be bitter - on either side.

- What they have they give they shall  
they take away.

Other friends like either stand as they are  
or have become close. Miss Green, John Miller,  
The Tipton, my little host of visiting me  
friends - John Donnell, Don't see them  
to me like they were lost you. The Clayton,  
Miss Somers, & the one or two half friends -  
half acquaintances are still in affectionate  
terms. But of course my sudden engage-  
ment not led to much real intimacy with  
anyone outside the chosen circle of my former  
or my present friends. As to the last,  
had some of the old school friends  
an opportunity to be brought - especially  
such a word is an act might tempt  
into friends. With my family my relations  
are close - however being less than  
intimate as my views diverse - but with  
no more on either side of skin or better.  
~~Even~~ "We know no more of Beatrice  
than we should see she a man"  
expresses the family view. I imagine the



will take my services with due regard for  
 your & your temper - slightly contemptuous  
 & with friendly unconcern. The 19 men  
 & women (with the exception of the infatuated  
 Williams), are for the most part persons & fully  
 occupied to do more than lift their eyelids  
 & wish me good luck. Poor little Rosie  
 with her husband mortally stricken & her  
 child sick is going through it. I regret  
 that they may make her into a Woman-  
 perhaps we may meet later on. They  
 are to me as one of my family & I should  
 like to see her become a helper & a friend.

About my work I am just at present  
 disheartened. I feel the weight of David's  
 the job to lead here - & make the Book  
 the fruit of the Lord's labor. That kind of  
 environment is impossible - & finally I  
 know under any circumstances. I feel  
 that of my happiness is compromised I feel  
 fearful of the new start in my life - shall  
 as it will be competitive with a decided  
 professional career. But then I might have

Developed into a socialist - Mrs. Jewett!  
 But if I can my power against "the spirit  
 of happiness" the duty <sup>of</sup> ~~is~~ "Victims"  
 work part in of Sidney - I shall join in a  
 Women Sect. I love to a worker. As the  
 happy - side of the relationship is that we both  
 I in work but 2 heart - she or on together.  
 So, above it all you 2 begin the new  
 you of comradeship softness of Love.

New Year Day 1892.

Dear Father passed away peacefully this morning.  
 He & I had been watching through the night -  
 & he had been in a heavy slumber breathing  
 roughly & mechanically. When I came in dawn  
 in the morning I found him in the last deadly  
 gasps - not struggling but simply breathing out - the  
 last spark of life. This afternoon I visited  
 the room as he was lying there with his sweet  
 gentle benevolent smile - a beautiful rest from  
 the weary struggling life of a day ago. And now  
 his spirit has passed - so far as we can know -  
 but his gentle comradely nature lives still in

our hearts. Two men have attached 2 you with  
devoted affection.

Two more weeks with the Family &  
family concerns & family dominion & then my  
life spent united with of another - working  
while it is yet Day to make human life better.

May 21<sup>st</sup> Manchester Chapt 12

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Three weeks of emotion. The gathering for the  
found - the impending <sup>beginning the new</sup> Declension & the publication of  
our essays & the British Weekly telegraphed to me  
to Bot in person of way providing a speedy exit.  
The family took leave with benevolence & good  
sense & returned away at family dinner in  
London with warm respects. The uncomfortable work  
at their press - the introduction to his little home -  
Died of its high room - & then settling down in it -  
in a quiet - all these emotions crowded thick on  
each other. The little home was in a small street  
near to Regent Park - the little mother - paid  
& sharing with father - the energetic ~~for~~ domestic  
Main body of a sister. It showed former woman  
who acts as general servant - ~~she~~ have become a new

(Surrendering)

to my life - a new scene laid in the lower  
 middle-class. The dingy & crowded little back-room  
 with gas fire than before & I sat the evening  
 through happy & unconscious in one love one to  
 other! The gradual feeling of unwelcome-  
 distance to my & small surroundings disappeared  
 in the blessedness of love.

Now now the old life is over - a rather the  
 old shell is cast off & a new one adopted. Part with  
 the surroundings of wealth - part the association  
 with the upper middle class; part also the silent  
 reserve & the hidden secret. Now I take my place in  
 a world as the help-mate of a woman - one of a very  
 modest couple living in a small way. But in  
 essentials I remain the same - the same woman who  
 collected notes, studied the Dutch volume in the  
 Dons, & dined with the Dons of Directors of the  
 Wholesale Society from time to time. That I shall in the  
 first instance suffer - was in my work - for my  
 step down was in the social scale is probable - but if  
 it is in fact it will not be my loss.

The relation of my life is closed by my  
 acknowledgment - one which I find myself

on - the position of literary executor to Herbert Spencer.  
 We met yesterday at the Alhambra by appointment.  
 He was affected <sup>to me himself</sup> "I cannot congratulate  
 you - that wd be unkind". Then there was a short  
 lesson "by young Mrs. taken at her death"  
 & remarks & then observed "that there was <sup>at the</sup> matter again.  
 W. with, he has proved himself to be a man of  
 capacity & determination" - "you see that he has  
 succeeded in marrying me W. Spencer - that shows he  
 has a will". "that evening" pronounced out to the telephone  
 "that is exactly what I fear - ~~in~~ you both have  
 wills - & they must clash" "he has a stout temper  
 & he has been an excellent brother & son" "I was  
 faint - & gave a vivid description of his good  
 & bad qualities. But presently it had some  
 of interest on Dickens.

"I feel I am a critic about the personal matter  
 which you alluded to in your letter - the literary  
 executorship. It would not do for my reputation -  
~~that I should~~ <sup>that I should</sup> be deeply connected with an avowed &  
 prominent socialist - that is impossible - references  
 would be drawn upon me & I protest  
 - ~~it is contrary~~ "that the relationship was hard personal  
 with you".

"I put you into a V. Stone. I know  
 your situation, I feel sure that I shall have to  
 go up to the library eventually."

"But what can I do" - he said pleasantly  
 that Alan Stone I thought of before. You became  
 a 'Librarian' - there is no one else <sup>young</sup> of your  
 library staff. I found out very early on that life  
 is the right opinion - to be able to read.

"What about Howard Collins" I said - thinking  
 of the young man of the few who know more than  
 on the mechanically minded Timothy - 'he is  
 young, is he not?'"

"He would be the proper person - but then he has  
 no gift like you have of making his subject  
 interesting."

"But I shall be delighted to help him - I suppose  
 you like to go for - either adventures or not."

The Professor lay back - his chin with a sigh  
 of relief. "That arrangement would do admirably -  
 that is exactly what I shall do - the life will appear  
 under the name of you and will be  
 a strange & unusual. That was just what  
 I needed" he repeated with a very visible access of

Confusion.

With W. James you can rely on my doing  
my utmost. W. Collins & I are ceasing friends; or  
to work together as usual:

As so much to interest; he satisfied dis-  
his reputation & I at least can not be dictated to  
filial piety.

Manchester July 11. Endors correspondence  
contains story. Inaugural "Life of Herbert  
Spencer" & some Timothy: A reminder  
to the Editor of the Abstract Thinker  
to fall back on a machine for a biography!

I see now what he meant by "Life" and  
which he has sometimes spoken: I think  
in the title, that he meant the Aut. biography -

& so must constantly have talked of Life & Form.

Is this the close of a long friendship? The Brothers  
are divided again: in the Form & Philosophy  
I have trusted with filial piety going to  
cut his one surviving link with the world -  
beyond the narrow limits of the Form & Science  
within the mechanical mind of Timothy. Form & Man: the shell

of a great shell - slowly divided over  
 from a consuming, Erosion & Vandy.

Exactly three weeks since I set of foot -  
 in Manchester. Have been working hard -  
 looking through mineral books - interviewing -  
 and attending business meetings of your kind.  
 It was a tremendous step of me out to look  
 of the well before: we have so much more  
 (drawing than I shall) reading - but it never  
 struck me that I wd get into the practical execution  
 matter of the section & see for myself the sort of  
 practice that arise. But of present it is  
 difficult to do work for the trees - &  
 I am preparing about, adding as far to the  
 trunk & then to another - layers & follow  
 the lines of growth of the branches & the  
 lie of the roots & (with said) marked in  
 my ideas. But I am working hard & well.  
 In my job with the hen not beyond me in the  
 least - except perhaps with D. B. B. B.

ed. B.



July 20<sup>th</sup>

Two days of utter exhaustion!  
 Last Sunday was delightful - I need him  
 once a week that me in the sublime rapture  
 of love - & he needs me to soothe him &  
 read his words of eternal purpose to its  
 proper calm. But alas! my work keeps  
 me apart. Miss Dean

May 4<sup>th</sup>

Some attack of influenza broke  
 into my work - a day or two after the  
 last entry. A prospect is held - just  
 at the time of his triumphant return  
 to Long Council - but it has  
 been he was with me & we both  
 but a ~~little~~ <sup>little</sup> ~~time~~ <sup>time</sup> ~~ago~~ <sup>ago</sup>. There I  
 visited in the luxurious Hotel ~~man~~  
 for a week - & then back again to  
 work. I find fallen (in secret) ~~at~~  
 working on the piles of material  
 I had left. A good deal of his work was

The same - & the evening 2 weeks  
 I spent in training him - he  
 working all day under my eye.  
 A sharp effective boy - and  
 anxious worker & as keen as  
 a razor - a former pupil of  
 Lewis in Economics. But all  
 my appointments to attend EC meeting  
 had to be given up - a previous  
 disappointment to me.

Then a fortnight holiday -  
 during which I managed to do about 29 &  
 1/2 hrs of the Dentals. A pleasant  
 4 days at Almond with Graham  
 Walker & 4 light-hearted Bernard  
 Shaw - the back again to our  
 very little (wages). Then for two  
 days at my own house! We have  
 been 'working hard' - shaping together  
 the material into a rough history  
 & then he working at the reference letters  
 I casually interviewed 2 representatives  
 of the firm. They he has left me -

2 I feel a bit lonesome.

We are certainly suffering from  
 we love each other dearly - we  
 are intensely interested in the same work -  
 we have freedom & leisure to devote  
 our whole lives to the work we believe  
 in. How do I imagine such happiness  
 for you & me. May I deserve it!

July 2<sup>nd</sup> 3 1/2 hours' rest

Interesting time at Leeds. Eng. Union Delegates  
 meeting to review the rules - to do. I have  
 been invited to special resolutions. The set-  
 (68 of the) for see how easy. It is ~~an~~  
~~important meeting~~ This delegates meeting <sup>will be</sup> ~~at~~  
 crisis & the history of the ASE. For some time  
 past - under the pressure of work & society -  
 there has been trouble with & without. The  
 spirit & aspirations of the "New Union" has  
 infected even the conservative & restrictive  
 body, which until a few yrs ago, has  
 been left behind them & great Deput Society.  
 But that the ASE has not forget its  
 history. The "New Union" movement 1884















on the side, heretofore the Court  
 Administration in the coming  
 year, as it must <sup>(work)</sup> ~~continue~~ to be  
 shown, it seems likely that there will  
 be a total union of all the Societies  
 to check notes in regard to work  
 of the A.S.C. The is a desire to build  
 the delegates begin to face a very real  
 of the dilemma of social workers  
 confined to the same class of workers.  
 A very long time for our Unit  
 Administration ~~and~~ from the inter-  
 national movement policy of the  
 National Society. Now especially  
 the letter will be to the Society  
 of Technical Workers.

The Conference is now in the  
 Division of into sections or concerns  
 should be certain definite proposals  
 upon - the next step there is a  
 very fine dream of all the proposals.  
 London to the N.E. Court ~~and~~ has set  
 a "forward" party 2 on special  
 (the delegates)

Notes for Indomin 2 efficiency

from ~~the~~ <sup>deputy</sup> ~~lady~~ - mandator -  
 Lancelotti reports a solo conversation  
 with a lady <sup>with 2nd</sup> ~~and~~ <sup>my</sup> revised charge.  
 Scellars would follow suit if it were not  
 for a certain Home-ward tendency - Belfast  
 is rather dry a habit one note - restriction  
 & election. The Dundee delegates as  
 well as the Yorkshire Scottish themselves  
 has a connection for 2 yrs. (then votes)

But notwithstanding the most kind words  
 as well as to elect speaker for a long  
 to delegates in Scotland - for instance  
 Evans (Brylton) Sellicks (Newbold)  
 Barnes (Chelms) Fletcher (Newcastle)  
 Hobbins (Schole). This is all of the  
 in a special sense to me. By experience  
 without her has that to some  
 further - her own work on Scotland.  
 That the Scotland is rapidly changing  
 in Dundee - is losing its revolutionary  
 & personally better by character & become  
 emotional effort - based on hope  
 & not labor. The Dundee branch  
 is also to Scotland & Ireland - in the

The next best, individual - but  
 with the exception of Ferguson of Glasgow  
 there is a long list. They have no  
 Marshall men any more - & tho' the  
 whole is a certain shrewd estimate on  
 the whole is intellectual. I feel they  
 are not good examples. What the  
 danger is. What is the ~~single~~ significant  
 & general concern of the more serious  
 heads & intellectual workers to socialist  
 economics is a most question. The  
 section is of a decided February 42;  
 I am enclosing the facts & figures &  
 general arguments in letter P. - From literature.

Some other things, I have had  
 chats with the selected delegates.

Yesterday I had to R. E. Court

who I was an enthusiastic supporter  
 of Swings' claims at the 4th International  
 meeting - the 1st session! Altogether  
 it has been a most profitable conference  
 - the ASE delegates meeting & my visit  
 (Leeds) following Dundee way & it

Down to the Cook (or change scene  
to the at 17 Co. (London) at the local  
location. He writes very hard - but he needs  
more training. Swag is undoubtedly a flatter  
in his name - I have to be critical.

July 23<sup>rd</sup> 1892

Next Beatrice Potter

Enter Beatrice Webb  
or rather (Wells) Sidney Webb for  
I love her! W. St. name.

Gloucester May 16<sup>th</sup>

This evening we - a "handwriting" team  
at least with Chester - Sunday spent  
in walls & Cathedral & Eaton Park -

reading at intervals. Arrived found  
5 copies of L. M. in the office & occupation of  
the fact ~~of~~ <sup>hours</sup> of married life -

Then Dublin - lodgings - & during church-  
unsuccessful investigation at that  
transacted your 2<sup>nd</sup> affair - a

regards to the operations - now  
remaining only remains of large dirt  
so called "Hatch" - back street lined  
with tombs lower - with Irish

machines operating - to see - the 2<sup>nd</sup>  
May. week. Halls surrounded with  
Cooks of Arms & Date of the

Protestant spirit - from Irish then

modern Catholic celebration of  
 Journey down descent - (the date  
 Pick date being decided usually from  
 the Kings) Charters, Customs &  
 riches of houses away & show to  
 us - English & Roman Catholic  
 proof practice that they had evidence

P. 10 Substant Empressors others  
 Substant together to prevent Papists  
 from gaining an heart lands here. To better  
 People - with them high Tictories & low  
 Tictories! That to be joined with  
 the year.

Then the delightful day of  
 the Journey - it was then with  
 created them of a brilliant Irish language

2 production firms. Then to Belfast.

There is in some serious work. Country  
 introduction some in odd with employees.  
 Harlow 2 half - large ship business.  
 Large town factory - Tobacco Manufact-  
 (largest in UK) double factory 1-  
 2nd 2 other industrial firms then  
 jobs to provide education. UK Belfast.  
 industry to drive to coastal location -  
 cost to decent - p. 1/2 all things -  
 but it's object for towns 20/100  
 30/100 in construction short time. Industry  
 begins here - no discrepancy between  
 employees 2 when account of over -  
 to 10 with idea that employees were  
 in division size of money-getting -



2 has not yet developed social complicity.  
 This is complementary to low price the  
 20 & labor - low price the to cost  
 job - female work 2 blood 2 bone for 8/10  
 work (1 hour) 2 much data for 11/  
 work. That fact equally satisfactory  
 in 1/2 hour part or check relations re  
 by the <sup>Professor</sup> Alston's views: Energy, conduct,  
 heat, a 2 various by focus, in some  
 cases - facts well known as yet.

Sound fact - that Alston - will  
 give 2 will give stable idea - low  
 20 unstable - then the of silent  
 with Dallas.

True with regard to evidence - 2  
 job as concrete 2 full upstate.  
 As broad Alston's views of 1940, could

A little part of the following that received  
 series of Green Unconvinced my right -  
 S. 29 interesting - support comm.

The the on to day received of 11-  
 Tapers & H. Day Acts on T. Actis -  
 as first & to come. M. together happy  
 the - working on it on Holiday took.  
 now for Scotland!

Sept. 17<sup>th</sup>

I should soon up by general opinion  
 of Glasgow on it 2. admission of  
 individualism on the part of the  
 Gov. - The Glasgow I have entered in  
 hard-headed original-minded men, &  
 large proportion self-made: the only men  
 in certain suspicious I speak to had  
 a very control of the law. The officials  
 of the Gov. in Scotland a poor lot:  
 Scarcely the best men do not care for  
 job, preparing to advance themselves &

deary

Jock into a higher class. Then is however  
 among all those I have ~~come across~~ <sup>met with</sup>  
 respecting various and a creation 2 respectable  
 students of feet. Ugly entering on the  
 banks of the Chy. 2 very nice one on the  
 results of common errors of certain sections  
 of new histories of want a bad time 2  
 long he of work. Day to spells of perfection.  
 The Chy. is the room of success  
 2 content - work of poverty. Dumbness  
~~and~~ cupidit' 2 competition. It is the  
 Peruvian of the old putting man who ruin  
 out of the show, to wear a Deer-foot.

The Congress was interesting. Sir C 2 Lady  
 Dilke were the senior of the scene: collecting  
 A congress which to look to a dim-  
 unpleasant figures - now creeping back,  
 with the other & public life - half being some  
 among men 2 women do not believe.  
 Ethel Donnellon is a social reformer  
 who of the west side but Donnellon has  
 the support of her friends they are the  
 names of Margaret, with whom they must carry  
 down.

(On our elicited. roots I think between  
 them two points of view).

The discussions were interesting - chiefly  
 because they showed an utter lack of  
 organization on the side of the Indians.  
 This was the Cayman meeting - I have a  
 few minutes - for a large number of  
 days were passed in trying to  
 change the point of the Cotton Specter. But  
 that it does it showed a complete  
 absence of the Cayman (I saw examples) the  
 the way of the late updates were presented to  
 the office - This I attribute first  
 to the utter want of education among the  
 Indians, but largely from the simple  
 fact that they are working with a  
 spirit that even the simplest except  
 for selfish movement. (Even Drunken  
 will be made to understand is  
 the act of "drinking out" of some of the vested  
 interest is employed in the instruction  
 degree is to show the mind.

The story of the two Mount Everest  
 has been reported several of the



Perfection - rather a / she - however  
 to 303 individuals, 2 in, been  
 inside to add in Chad Cope  
 hope to do for next - a social  
 vision is promptly supplied in .2  
 times the sun shall be with  
 it.

The 2nd part of the Labor  
 report - seem to me to be a 4-  
 years collection of the various reports  
 of the other parts. Then at last  
 we see an old friend 2 among  
 them who if they later a they who  
 do it with the talent 2 capacity to  
 carry it through. But - all said 2 done,  
 the Labor report has to be done, &  
 work done by its disparity size -  
 phases, both sections, perhaps  
 any individuals - And it is the side  
 which is apparent of a Trade Union  
 Congress.

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Sept-1915

Excellent from work at Glasgow - the  
last 10 days a week of work - today  
working it whole day that I except the hours  
he has spent ~~working~~ out of the far  
substance after 7:30 AM Section.

Out of the four weeks we have had two  
holidays - a Sunday in Loch Ave  
with Thomas Hubert & a week-end  
visit to Harborne's.

Thomas Hubert was as good as  
delightful as ever: Sunday thought the  
whole scene - the richness like strange  
workings to be the surely much  
handsome girls, <sup>then</sup> on the spot - talk  
a very good mixture. A very pleasant  
afternoon - sitting in his tent & talking  
'shop'. [Then back to Glasgow - long  
drive & tourist steamer.

Sunday with Harborne was more  
immersive. He is now an affable  
man: sitting at home - it had proved  
to connect the information & act as a  
letter. The immensity about the





bring the "Truest heart condensation"  
but a vast reformation of technical unit -  
we wd become fully saturated.

I have spoken with no regrets.

The workman here has an understanding  
with - without enthusiasm or much  
intelligence. The school seems to be not  
and staff to construction - It shows  
more such to rise a fund for teachers  
2 not to serve others. The effort of the  
Co-Operation here absorbs the finer  
intelligence 2 warmer hearts among the  
school looking more of the official cost.

10 Ketterhill St

December 1893.

Stormy rocky weather finds us still 300 feet  
above the sea in a cosy little flat in South Naples.

One life an even tenour of happenings.

At 7 in the last 2 months engaged in editing

2 magazines on material on working through

Platonism 2 Compositors 2 writing a brief

sketch of the first volume of our book.

Each day. We begin work about 9.30 (breakfast -  
2 making 2-pen 2 letters later on the)

- Seltzer joins in chat 10 2 we  
 then ~~drive~~ drive through national  
 hotel 1 or 1.30. Then 4 days at  
 6 Sway hurried off to London 2 pm  
 4 remainder of his day at London  
 Party Council. Meanwhile Seltzer gave a  
 11.5 part - I opened a couple of hours  
 either with <sup>with health</sup> or hurriedly into London  
 in shipping news. At 4 school felt  
 2 I have a cup of tea 2 - chat -  
 2 again set to work until 6 or 6.30.  
 At 7.30 Sway returns full of the  
 story of the ~~words~~ words of successful  
 vol. 2 the L.C.C. or carrying back  
 ideas of the interview - who a Cabinet  
 minute on some proposed reform. A South  
 West paper, especially 2 then on  
 evening of peaceful happenings - either he  
 ready to be worked at LCC matter,  
 or we ~~what~~ <sup>was</sup> working from your  
 - so felt. but mostly <sup>had the</sup> slow. Dinner  
 later we have yesterday achieved  
 I find that I cannot keep a clear head  
 for vol 2 talk related to the evening.

But as usual in two or three hairs has been  
 half topics & I have not done my full  
 measure of work. Perhaps also the absence  
 of married happiness, dead as it is  
often is intellectual energy. "Why work  
 when one is happy; & when he is working"  
 is a silent repression seems for himself.

✓ On the other hand, Henry is working well.  
 He writes satisfactorily that every day gives him  
 a more complete view of L.C.C. work. He  
 is one of the best people of the Committee  
 who practically run the L.C.C. - for the Smith  
reason that they do the work - & he is the  
 trusted confidant - & help mate of the Chief  
Officials of the Committee - the Chairman, Visitors  
& Deputy Chairman. As is Chairman of the  
Technical Div. etc. he has his own independent  
work - creating a new organization,

Beyond this he is steadily acquiring  
 influence with the official authorities: expressed  
every day more as a man who must be  
consulted to 2 of possible complex work.  
 I don't know whether he will ever be a





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wonderful happiness to the coming year.  
Creation <sup>is</sup> always delightful to me: and  
the stress & strain of writing a big book  
will be <sup>in</sup> calculatedly lightened by his help & loving  
kindness. Who knows how long I may have  
a longer than of his life - how soon he  
may not belong body & soul to the Nation.

Docten 24<sup>th</sup>. 1893

How gloomy other Massachusetts has  
been! - always the low water mark of  
a year's despair - at the best an vivid  
time of frantic finish, our cities prepared  
for heartless winter fatalities.

Now I have won a vantage  
ground of wonderful happiness: and even  
over the physical cross which I still  
feel fundamentally happy. And seeing  
also how good a resting place - so <sup>good</sup>  
now to struggle for personal happiness -  
all means can be given to work.

We have actually begun to work

- but after writing the part of the first  
 chapter we are reading at the B. M.  
 to get a fresh view of the 18th Century world.  
 It is still the process - the experiment  
 of writing & look together - sometimes one idea  
 dash & be fall between the two ideas -  
 but in the whole we get on. My only complaint  
 is that I can work such short hours  
 compared to how that I feel a man  
 deliberate. but when spring comes I shall  
 feel better.

Have seen something of Pitt Rivers -  
 Nelson & Aquino to dinner - Jesse  
 Burton & Adams coming later on - but  
 seen something of G. Sedgwick. All the young  
 men & the government has it work  
 extraordinary administrative reforms - get  
 concerned whether it the young will not  
 do the policy of ~~foreign~~ <sup>foreign</sup> war in to  
 all <sup>European</sup> ~~European~~ <sup>provinces</sup>. No leader to the new  
 Reform movement - a mere upheaval &  
 favour of doing something not by tight  
 sitting on the part of the provincial Liberal  
 Capitalist. How when they do give way

The price was on the wrong points - 2  
 is likely to not shed itself in face  
 of some departures demand which  
 requires even to consider some part  
 sound scheme. And the result - is  
 that the detailed work is simply the state  
 of present - at least on the Deafness side -  
 even the Deafness houses well enough  
 that they are playing for 2 success.  
 is having a compact party - to  
 state - of chaos continues - the  
 will lead a still larger mass of voters -  
 And the people drive all work (evidence).

Royal Commission on Labour  
 a separate track. Break up of little  
 kind of dictations - also a carefully  
 picked panel of distinguished labour men  
 2 Great Land lords 2 Capitalists  
 have 2 simple. The Dictations -  
 J. Deafness, Fred Pellach Marshall 2 County  
 have had it their own way - Have  
 puzzled the workers with economic considerations,  
 but this <sup>movement</sup> was made by cross questions -  
 walked



2 I viewed themselves of elaborate treatises  
 on economics, history & philosophy &  
 historical Departments - of course in the form  
 of lectures. (Spent a somewhat painful  
 day there - the first day of Sunday's classes  
 He was appalled with the bad faith of  
 the Commission & he led them to a  
 little of their own game. His manner  
 was well & was richly deserved, but  
 his manner was exceptional &  
 I said so. Abs. H. Burton, that  
 Country has Daydale & others of  
 that set has set, listening to him.  
 & as they agreed with the decisions  
 they showed their disapproval markedly.  
 However it next day, the day by  
 made a pretty apology & bore  
 the cross commotion with perfect good  
 humor. It ended in an amicable  
 discussion between him & Jacob Delfon  
 for 1/2 hr on abstract economics -  
 phrasal to begin with - but for  
 for an after dinner talk & not-

the sort of questions & answer to  
 be discussed at Tullio's conference. After  
 weeks of time to all concerned, recall  
 that it is not as if to the degree to  
 Chronica might do of their refer-  
 in to taken a good fault. Hence to  
 "unfair" state is to down Chronica  
 with of Darrington after a long talk  
 with us. \*

Dear Sir,

Thanks for first chapter. Put  
 altogether satisfactory. Wants  
 movement. Also think it is lengthy  
 than in lecture overbooked. We know  
 either too much or too little about  
 18<sup>th</sup> century & previous centuries  
 medieval history. Should confine  
 ourselves to the standards of life  
 of the ruling class - or from effect  
 by successive changes. The other  
 chapters will be better - I hope -  
 even this one can be worked  
 in afterwards.

March 10<sup>th</sup> Three chapters finished: begins  
to read for the 4<sup>th</sup>.

How how it is to tell whether one  
is doing one's best - or becoming  
complacent with a low level of exertion!

A certain spathy mistake is: a  
disinclination to exertion - which seems  
to me a defect in life. I am happy  
not working - for which state I suffer  
often medical trouble. Nevertheless I work  
fully regularly - certainly I don't "play" -  
then I don't work I vegetate!

There is nothing to tell nowadays! -  
no interests, contents of poems & legal -  
no frequent relationships - all warm  
flat midday sunlight - little excitement  
& no discontent. I felt Sunday, perhaps  
that I miss the society relationships which  
distinguishable or varying ones - that I feel  
"hemmed in" by inactivity. Truly I am too  
happy to seek excitement, to subscribe  
to look for friendship. For months I have  
a lot of solid work on hand: I don't

know them ever. Neither I could have  
been long satisfied with a life: still  
intellectual effort was not the  
main or rather the most prominent part

Siding for his part is enthusiastically  
happy. He seems to have settled  
down to the C.C. administrative work;  
at present largely engaged in editing  
2. Having to be on the Executive Board.  
Perkins seems farther off than  
ever: we are content with the  
project of intellectual study & to  
see a humble role of a C.C. member.  
But we are victims largely to  
course of politics. I would I  
think now is the time for  
administration. We must in time have  
a committee of constitution or to  
other than I entering into the  
potential from which we are  
Perkins. He has visions of  
a few lectures too long some

two or three for dance - to teach the  
provincials "proper use" of money  
& collected ceremonies! I must  
in all work <sup>onwards</sup> & obscure them

May 22<sup>nd</sup>

We were in the midst of the Bristol  
Conferment when the telegram arrived  
that our dear sister Theresa had died after a  
few hours illness. The shock was immensely  
painful <sup>subordinated</sup> the thought of poor Alfred's agony  
& the children were terrible too.

Our dear stout sister - the artist and  
the "spiritualist" (used in its true sense) of the  
family - <sup>softly, etc. as</sup> the most ardent imagination - whose many  
views sympathized with all forms of life. Perhaps  
it best beloved <sup>of the sisters</sup> for she was open-minded  
from ready to believe without reserve, <sup>to find</sup>  
intentions & high words of others than the  
rest of this hard headed matter-of-fact family.  
Her home was the most gracious & spiritual

- There was an atmosphere of exuberance of  
 love & light. And the marriage was  
 absolutely happy - except that Alfred's  
 conservatism, like a conventional man that he  
 is, left unmet the "spiritual" needs  
 of Therese's nature. To Therese, on the other  
 hand, the joy of life, that joy that seems an  
 added good fortune, for one dear sister Mary  
 could have become a genuine enthusiast  
 & was taken in by the intellectual  
 & moral search. Her child-like faith  
 is high inspiration, her artistic love  
 for noble expression leads her often to  
 pride & deception. She was the reverse  
 of an investigator - saw only what she  
 already believed in that - appealed immediately  
 to her moral nature. But though her  
 marriage with Alfred Cripps secured her  
 from all extravagance yet from the first  
 she seems like a bird with its  
 wings clipped - somewhat restless &  
 longing to escape upwards - somewhat weary  
 of the routine of life. Weary - finally

physical exertion was one of the notes  
 of Theresa's married life - It was  
 an occasional note - not a continuous  
 one. The burden of her life was love  
 given to her husband & children -  
 friendship generously yielded to all  
 misfortunes to all she had to work  
 in understanding

It was the quality <sup>of friendship</sup> for Theresa that one  
 begins, to bring me near to her these  
 last months. All my sister's love acts in  
 a sensible & kindly way towards my marriage.  
<sup>The lady had many attempts for understanding of</sup>  
 But the last time I have seen Theresa - she  
 has really tried not simply to be kind  
 but to understand & realize what we are  
 aiming at. As she has done this with such  
~~infinite~~ touching grace that I have wondered  
 whether she & I could become more than  
 sisterly acquaintances. Sometimes one thinks  
 that the blow to the heart of brother's death  
 was painful rather than difficult to  
 give back intimacy if it has been lost?

There is the whole part between you - not  
 my as a tie, but also as a wall,  
 intercepting intercourse. You last self -  
 as rather the "Self" ~~you~~ presents in  
 either side in the old family life with its  
 frictions & clashing interests & tempers.  
 Specially so has it been in my case. I  
 had to choose between a life of cautious  
 reserve & self restraint and a career  
 of trials & adventures with it every ~~where~~.  
 My sister - of the same - stands perhaps so  
farther as I do - no sister so independent  
 of the opinion and approval of her family.  
 Again is proved that you cannot see  
 the strategies of all corners: I chose to  
 live apart, so that while living & at  
 my center of the family I might get tired  
 of my life. My sister no longer knew me  
 by name and the shell with death I  
 covered myself. To me the death is,  
 as she says, doubly tragic. Tomorrow after  
 it found "I shall come back to my  
 husband & my work: looking back through



ten years I shall be not be able to recall  
 one single word of intimacy from me to her -  
 the memory of this gift is a precious treasure.  
 Anxious & willing to be loved will seem like  
 a far away dream - a picture & not a reality.

And now that I am talking of relationships  
 let me tell you frankly that the tragic  
 death except as it affects others, seems  
 of slight personal consequence to me here. It  
 was of an old friendship. The utter breakdown  
 of the friendship between me & Charles &  
 Mary Dorr has been an ever open wound.  
 That friendship was the stay of my life  
 during the sad struggle of it. It seems as if  
 this friendship was so tender that no  
 man could shake it. And  
 yet when I ~~was~~ strained it - I should have  
 kept myself - it broke - a rather  
 I found that it was already broken.  
 Even today I have not yet recovered  
 from my amazement & wonder at this  
 fact. I can never seem to forget it.

June 21<sup>st</sup>

A month after Theresa's death, we all met (except Lillian) at Georgie's house. Seven sisters - ~~Donald Blank~~ - all of us heard of the idea of the Donald Blank. We talked & laughed with the brothers in law - as of yore - but all of us felt - the empty place. The metres loss - the absolute extinction of the dear one. Georgie looked the saddest of the sisters - to her life has had such a shadow - the one to surface so profound - her marriage a big mistake. Tom (little Buck) with her somewhat husband - an excellent uncle - looks depressed but sweet & loving. Mary Margaret Hale - all happy woman - Blanche too much noble & noble mind to ~~realize~~ be disturbed by death - all 2 each of us going in our own way sad & softened by the common loss - ~~but~~ ~~even~~ even I feel together of the fear that ~~these~~ might drop down too. But family relations are

like to a strong Dream - not a jet unreal -  
 always in <sup>2 Dignities</sup> spontaneity rather in sketchiness of  
 a class of affection without intimacy (Possibly  
 His Duet will bring us closer to each other -  
 will close up its ranks as Jacqui says so  
 sweetly. But I doubt it - I doubt whether  
 there can ever be compromise about a  
 common faith. There is a good aspect to  
 it for me - lived her own hidden spiritual  
 life. ~~There is~~ This is rather new ~~through~~  
 the beautiful ~~words~~ <sup>she writes of her community</sup> ~~description of her community~~  
 with the Under Waves. Others among my sisters  
 may also stand apart from all of us, seeing  
 that we do not see hearing that we do  
 not hear. Each of us may be conscious  
 of a faith not shared by others and may  
 not suspect that it is to fast with  
 others. As so in your life -  
 equal sisters - bound together yet not combining -

These hills my husband & I now roam  
 1- each other ~~each~~ ~~hours~~ of 15  
 day. A beautiful first marriage. Personal love

a tendency, ~~rather~~ common of facts, fellowship  
 work - a Divine relationship. The one or  
 of which - a soul - whether happiness  
 does not - surely, but with its inevitable self-  
 compliance. ~~its~~ This day - months ago -  
 a letter is one - in which the one  
 is widely separated a small large. Central  
 or do not diminish - we see the people's  
 lives connect with our work - our chief life is  
 simple - a share is taken. When we are  
 silent in our minds we can hardly hope for so  
 much leisure & detachment. As yet we do not  
 get on at any rate with the book - not half  
 through with it yet - a destructive chapter  
 part of that book is written. As all  
 that is done is done of course - he is  
 incessantly working with it to work on with  
 C. Ernest work - I remember David -  
 sometimes constructing the skeleton of what  
 we write but never executing. ~~Constructing~~  
 Every day writing & partly on French is  
 it will have I play - as it should be  
 is that way.

The Argosy Trip 50<sup>th</sup> (Sunday) 1893.

More less avidly than before, & seeing. Here as  
 we entered to spend our holiday - see outlines of just a  
 country.

A lovely breezy summer day - the absolute stillness  
 of the ~~field~~ <sup>hills</sup> tempered by the summer wind rustling  
 in the spruces. The calm lines of the hills  
 were the breeze picked out by sunlight & cloud  
 so that they seem within walking distance  
 and almost invite you to visit them.

Why is it sad to visit them no scenes  
 of childhood youth & strongly womanhood.

Why this ~~matter~~ <sup>visions</sup> wondering melancholy as  
 the ~~visions~~ <sup>visions</sup> of the old life come trooping back -  
 the happy child in its holiday haunt, (the visits  
 here were the one spot of brightness in my childhood)  
 the earnest <sup>elated</sup> ~~elated~~ <sup>into</sup> ~~into first feelings of intellectual  
 Christen - the woman overwhelmed with passionate  
 feelings brooding with the demon of passion for her  
 very soul - the resigned worker in the threshold  
 of achievement - all these states of my old self  
 rise up before me - and all - neither bright  
 or sullen from me to regret that they are no more.~~

How strange these ~~reports~~ subdued meanings or  
 dead states - that yearning to be back again  
 - just gone - not to undo them & live them  
 differently - but to live the same life again -  
 to reconquer strands & strains of thought -  
 feeling which in now or distant unobtrusive  
 reflection of what has been - is melancholy  
 to think of as a dead friend.

This day too has its own associations -  
 Is it strange to me, that I, a happy wife, should  
 have on the thoughts of this day set you go.  
 It was Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> <sup>1887</sup> that Chamberlain  
 spent here, ~~at~~ <sup>at our old house</sup> that five long drawn out years  
 of passionate feeling reached their climax:  
 Since that day we have not met: no one is  
 likely to meet. But he is always there:  
 you in & you out I watch him ~~struggling~~  
 struggling in the political prize fight - for a  
 cause (?) or for personal supremacy (?) and  
 a few days since I saw <sup>him</sup> speaking in the  
 House - hardly at all those dreadful  
 scenes of Thursday. Each year brings <sup>out</sup> ~~more~~ <sup>in</sup>  
 stronger what his actions may promise.

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10 February 83

Dear Angela

Could you help on a small point ? Just putting the proofs of VOl II through and come across a meaningless sentence (in both the TS and our MS and the Proof). It's in the second paragraph of 24 December 1892 - one that begins 'Have seen something of politicians - Haldane etc.

What do you make (in the MS diary) of the next sentence? We have :

No leader to the reform movement - a mere upheaval in favour of doing something not by tight sitting - on the part of the provincial Liberal capitalists.

The four underlined words are clearly wrong, and there may be some other error or omission in the original.

Many thanks for help - we've got a week to turn the proofs round.

You could phone Jeanne if it's easier.

best wishes and thanks

*Norman Mackenzie*

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at Serate House for measuring



every political event ~~throughout~~ <sup>series</sup> occasion for  
 a display of his marvellous <sup>agility</sup> ~~efficiency~~ <sup>skill</sup> & ~~power~~  
 & ~~shows~~ <sup>uncovers</sup> ~~his~~ ~~strength~~ <sup>his</sup> <sup>limitations</sup> &  
 defects - As a political free fighter he  
 end throws all his reins - as a man he  
 becomes steadily more vulgar, as a political  
 thinker more shallow & ill informed. And yet  
 he loses neither his interest nor his character  
 at least not to one of his dumber fellows.  
 How ~~what~~ will Boston ~~say~~ <sup>seem</sup> <sup>up</sup> <sup>to</sup> <sup>see</sup> <sup>up</sup>  
 this man? A great Statesman? or a malicious  
 orator? <sup>more likely than either</sup> A prominent politician -  
all equipped with knowledge & doggedness  
an intricate vulgarity of method  
and ~~coarseness~~ of words.

I still believe in the old habit of  
 a periodical searching of heart - a testing of  
 15 weeks of a past months work. How low  
 then months past - what has been done &  
 left undone. With Sunday life I am sure  
 than ~~delusion~~ <sup>delusion</sup>. He has worked hard & well  
 this spring. He is <sup>done</sup> <sup>done</sup> somewhat overstrained  
 & overworked than last winter & needs complete rest  
 from any & strain.



his life I am more than satisfied - The work  
 he is doing - creating machines for collective  
 action is the work I desire to see him do -  
 as it fact that his work is unobtainable,  
 that it cannot be seen or estimated except  
 by his fellow workers, makes it all the finer  
 both in itself & in its effect on our lives.  
 As an insipid of this kind of constructive  
 effort, he still finds energy to think &  
 to reconstruct just another, to direct thought  
 ideas - I do not feel that his life has  
 been narrowed by becoming mainly practical.  
 To adapt the present machines to the facts  
 of today, to think out new machines for  
 tomorrow by the light of yesterday's experience,  
 the combination of practice & theory, is I think  
 it well life for him.

With my own effort - I am less satisfied.  
 Whether I be down on life, whether I be  
 to the occupation of marriage I do not seem to  
 get either to some point or a point of work  
 out of myself. I am so often below the  
 level of real work. I sometimes wonder whether

I work at all - or whether I simply would  
 say no. And then I wonder whether  
 the construction of this book - for which  
 I am mainly responsible - is not vastly inferior  
 to that I have before me. I am no longer  
 "inspired" by it. Many of the chapters are  
 even of a paragraph like I used to be -  
 at all seems mechanical below to me  
 now. Further I know that my thoughts  
 are constantly trivial - that I no longer  
 live in a world of ideas - that I live in  
 a world of persons. This being  
 kept up in the solitude of these hills  
 I intend to see if I cannot raise  
 my self up to a higher plane - physical  
 & mental.

"Nourish your soul with good works, give  
 it peace in solitude, get it strength in  
 prayer, make it wise with reading, en-  
 rich it by meditation, make it tender with  
 love, sweeten it with humility" . . . . .  
 All religion is the spirit of love; all its gifts  
 & graces are the gifts of love.

- it has no breath no life but the life of love. . . . Love is of no sect or party - it neither makes nor admits of any bounds; you may <sup>as</sup> easily enclose the light, or shut up the air of the world into one place & confine love to sect or party. It lives in the liberty, the universality, the impartiality of heaven." (William Law)

Many times I wonder whether the great want in my life - (perhaps in our lives) - is not "spirituality" - whether I ought not to cultivate my own soul - to keep it pure & holy, tender, & impersonal. There is so much "Dross" in our thoughts & feelings - unworthy, venereal, vulgar, & self-conscious <sup>self</sup> ~~conscious~~ <sup>egotism</sup> ~~egotism~~ - silly little bits of it. I need prayer - or the substitute for prayer - a delicate tuning of our thoughts & feelings by the deeper & higher tones of life.

To the man with his fully occupied ~~attention~~ - intellectual faculties (with surely then faculties as directed to the good of others) with his devotion of the Woman - this spiritual life seems less needful - his devotion seems more fully satisfied & absorbed in his work

Lorna

2 his affections. With the woman - her delicacy  
 2 intricate hours her consciousness from the  
 prey of weariness undisturbed ~~by~~  
 was. Spiritual life alone fills her being with  
 the satisfaction needed to keep her thoughts  
 on a high plane. If only we could bond  
 down our day each morning for noble effort  
~~thoughts~~, every evening for pure peaceful rest.  
 But we seem for lack of this faith, to  
 sink into 'ruts' of small fears 2  
 mean wishes - out of which we only  
 raise ourselves by <sup>some</sup> intellectual calculation  
 or by some loving concern for the Beloved.  
 We ought to think 2 to love, but we  
 ought also to aspire.

This lack of spirituality is the  
 large need of my life without which I think  
 my effort will be degraded. This spirit of  
 prayer - the yearning for personal holiness  
 I must again attain. There are other  
 wants - some of a lower character -  
 others ~~and~~ <sup>apparently</sup> inseparable with them

(his) I long sometimes for a wider culture -  
 knowledge of other & higher forms of intellectual <sup>effort</sup>  
~~work~~ all the work of art - &  
 literature is closed to me. But I do not  
 see how with such slight & intermittent intellectual  
 energy I could well spare any portion of it  
 from my own work. When I find I cannot  
 find my life. He has sufficient energy to  
 use his free spare moments for other forms  
 of intellectual activity - but I dare not  
 join him so he gives it up to be  
 left me. Then again the same applies to  
 companionship with men & women of  
 non-political mind or workers in different  
 fields of endeavor. Again I have no  
 energy to spare - & here again I find I  
 limit myself. The basic desire for  
 social distinction I find both as  
 futile - "social" lovers without a  
 distinction seem to let out the seeds  
 of men & women of it does not stimulate their  
 minds. But it is non-fundamental - the  
 longing to be more loved & revered by my  
 own relations & my old friends. This want

- His longings to see the trees ~~strengthened~~,  
 the pain to see them ~~and~~ I suffered  
 much - is the one 2 of description as  
 the other of my love for Sunday 2 my faith  
 in the cause he has set heart.

The London County Council looms large in my  
 life because it takes up so much of  
 Sunday energies. Every day he comes home he  
 tells me about his various committees 2 gives  
 me glimpses of the internal working of the  
 machine. Let me see whether I can sum up  
 some of the impressions he leaves on my mind.  
 First the L.C.C. consists of the Proprietors  
portion of it. The moderates as a group are  
 staff out of it. Individual moderates become  
 Chairman of Committees but not become in  
 these particular departments they are more  
 propensities than to propensities. Indeed that is  
 the convenience of the other moderates to different  
 departments of the Proprietors. Walter is one of the notable  
 figures of the County Council and a witness  
 of the triumph of the idea of Public Administration





with the Chairman. Tom Brown occupies  
 a quite unique position; viz not to  
 his administrative work, but to his powerful  
 personality & calm flowing nature of  
 Council. His influence however is diminishing  
 since he has become a R.I.

It is perhaps a sign that the County Council  
 is still young that the whole direction of  
 its administration is still in the hands of  
 its councillors & not referred to its paid  
 servants. There are 2 or 3 men  
 who make a decision of the Council - i  
 the sense of spending their whole energies on  
 its work. This of course means that the  
 L.C.C. is a middle class body - ~~that~~  
 composed of men of sufficient means  
 to work for nothing. As ever those working  
 men are in an it contribute little to  
 its government; the effect is to make meetings  
 of the Council but they take little or no  
 interest in committees.

The weekly Council meetings are  
 perhaps the least important part of  
 its work.

At Councils proceedings. The next aim of  
 it all chosen action is to form his reports  
 through Tuesday's meeting without giving consideration  
~~subject~~ <sup>subject</sup>. It is of the best money committee  
 that it takes action better about the policy  
 discussed. The Council is a machine for  
 evolving committees, it committee a machine  
 for evolving one man - with Council a  
 Committee success when it shows of good  
 news ~~and not the the to make the the~~  
~~bill from 7000 a "Judge them" for their~~  
~~was fine.~~ ~~Respectfully understand a~~  
~~Dodge for machine for bridging the Democracy,~~  
 both state a machine for Dodge  
 the Democracy by introducing government by  
 a silent minority not the sake of the majority.

The Canyon Sept. 17<sup>th</sup>

Seven weeks here - leaving weather -  
 delightful holiday with the first of November  
 by a few hours a day at work - The first  
 triumph a one with Price - an apt  
 triumph the 6<sup>th</sup> depth of our work.

Then Graham Waller came on to scene - read  
 in first chapter - several editions at time of -  
 He made me feel rather different about my  
 shortcomings - so I took it a month or two  
 of - writing at a complete new syllabus of -  
 it with a quite different arrangement of the  
 subject. This Sunday "note to" with my  
 help. Because then came the day after  
 a day stage with us to London to  
 me then working about every morning at  
 one book - The form of the first chap-  
 ter - but this is the other of words  
 & sentences - It seems chapter he lost  
 now is hard & it there he is to a large  
 extent remodelling. Sunday continuing has  
 several pages - (but then it is a  
 common understanding with all these  
 know that they are each other up now  
 necessary - that is the basis of the history  
 of the British Society is contemporary subject  
 though - the latter part of history in  
 practical circumstances is all the fruits  
 of their labour) which Bond the

part

was working on the Book Survey, I set  
 about separate tasks - I wrote attempts  
 to write a lecture on the sphere of freedom  
 in it work on Tom Harris's On the Ref.  
 by attempt - papers to be a helpful piece.  
 I struggle in vain <sup>was</sup> ~~to~~ by Mr Harris of information  
 with my historical work - sketches - analyzing -  
 the stuff <sup>the</sup> ~~was~~. After 5 days work I read  
 to S. that I had <sup>written</sup> ~~no~~. He looks through &  
 suggests that he should write it out. Then we  
 had a little bit of a tiff. For when my  
 Minicloth membership office & dis claim  
 law it was not obvious at all of plan  
 for a lecture, & that invitation was a 90%  
 in a deal of a letter. Next morning he set ~~me~~  
<sup>rehearsal</sup> ~~to~~ ~~the~~ ~~work~~ of ~~the~~ ~~country~~ & 2 or 3 weeks from  
 day together & made a rough draft. Now  
 I am writing it up into lecture form. But  
 my father says, he had a bit of a  
 quarrel. So much for our holiday work.

All the afternoon we have spent  
 out of doors - takes long evening

focus at of the natural wisdom of  
J.W. & B.S.'s essays. How I ever  
described either of them now? Here is a  
brief outline.

Personal  
analysis

J.W. See first with a strolling figure  
and features a genial <sup>letter unselfconscious?</sup> ~~man~~  
~~lacking in variety of expression.~~ Without considerations  
he would have lapsed through life -  
with corrections he prints - his  
natural sluggishness of nature turned  
by his social fervor ~~into~~ into a slow  
pondering of any thing that turns up to  
do. In spite of his social fervor he seems  
incapable of directing his own life - &  
tends to drift - with doing anything but  
the deep ~~part~~ ~~of~~ ~~the~~ ~~work~~. This tendency  
is accentuated by his hereditary -  
a kindliness a selfless man ~~with~~ ~~out~~  
~~ambitions~~ to a ~~high~~. Thus that his  
instincts find <sup>[weakness]</sup> ~~him~~ ~~in~~ ~~2~~ ~~accents~~  
~~but~~ ~~upon~~ ~~him~~, superficial <sup>strangers</sup> ~~from~~ ~~of~~  
some character, <sup>often</sup> ~~often~~ actually displace  
him. This to some men & women he

Messrs. [unclear] as a kind of dull failure -  
 An opinion which is fostered by a  
 observation of [unclear] & general [unclear] at work.  
 He preaches too - a habit carries on th.  
 His life is as a [unclear] worker & teacher of  
 boys. ~~He is not a [unclear] at [unclear]~~ <sup>To his disciples</sup> he  
 appears in a [unclear] man - ~~not a [unclear]~~ -  
 (a [unclear] for teaching) a Sargent Thibodeau  
 & a conscientious ~~worker~~ <sup>worker</sup>. It remains to  
 be seen what else he will become ~~besides~~ beyond  
 a skillful propagandist & an admirable  
 & most popular Unconvent Extension lecturer. As  
 for the books he has - but owing to his  
 constant running off on other people's business  
 they stand a poor chance of being finished to  
 a pen a so. His enthusiasm, fear of advice,  
 zeal (of sacred medical) work will make a man  
 a ~~success~~ <sup>success</sup> the paper will be a lot later  
 before him. He has plenty of intellectual ability  
 too - that his lecture is deliberate calculation  
 & ~~rehearsal~~ <sup>deciding what to do</sup> a workable man.

Benson shows I know ~~too~~ less well  
 than [unclear] Waller. He is ~~not~~ <sup>not</sup> so do  
 a few of [unclear]. ~~He is not a [unclear]~~

Person with no sense of humor regards him as a <sup>controversial</sup> sort of Don Quixote  
a medieval blasphemer of the early renaissance

intelligent smart witty fellow with  
a crack for not making money except he

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can make it, except as he chooses. One  
asked to the top of his fingers - 2 an  
a much craftsman, I have <sup>never</sup> known a  
man use his pen in such a voluminous  
fashion or acquire such a thorough technical  
knowledge of any subject upon which he writes  
a piece. But his technique shows a  
speculation more overform him - he always  
translates it into epigram, sharply <sup>frankly</sup> <sup>frankly</sup>  
with personalities. As to his <sup>frankly</sup>  
Oratorical I do not understand it. He  
has been for 12 yrs. a devoted supporter  
Lomax's way of the rising position of  
Johns Hopkins with not as much  
promoting as William a Swag. He is  
an excellent friend - at least to me.  
But beyond this I know nothing. I am  
inclined to think that he has a "slight"  
romantic - which sprang 2 even Virile  
~~attracted~~ - but lacking in weight. Awarded  
by my own he is a born Philanthropist





At the Junta  
The Junta itself. Why is the opinion  
a fine part of the gradualist, Fred  
Wallas expects to modify & scrupulous,  
Bona the first the spark & flame.

Suchan Wallas effects & the offer & educated  
<sup>the danger of intention</sup>  
class - the one can <sup>shall</sup> suspect either his conduct,

his distinguished men his enthusiasms & his other  
word <sup>upward</sup> ~~upward~~. Why indignation was  
arguments, programs - organizes the opinion.

Bona the head of the men of show,  
a man with light head, <sup>works</sup> the revolutionists -  
he was attracted by his art his  
daring, unlaughed & amusing paradoxes.

He has also his <sup>2 men of the world</sup> cheerful way the  
great journalists, what the Junta needs

to make  
it a  
M  
power

an in a few personalities of accept -  
men of wide <sup>2 aspects</sup> reference of all to play a  
long hand - and master it movement.

If John Burns would put over his  
incredible suspicion - if he could conquer  
his insatiable fear of corruption I know

no man who could do thoroughly conclude  
to John Burns & make it ~~the~~ the the the

effective. ~~to~~. If Burns would come in -

2 Give myself away & the men there as to  
 do to each man - the Fabians, could  
 Ormond to Reform Society. ~~But~~ Burn is  
 some reports & the straight man of the four -  
 the 'certainly' the other, & his relation to  
 the ~~idea~~ for housing. 'But that continuing  
 to you is just dragging - collection will  
 spend but - it will spend for 2 or 3  
 cents.' Then the sit down 2 the  
 will lower more to from the 'it will  
 not sit to face or often spend in the Directors.

41 Progress Road.

Three weeks incessant work at furnishing -  
 now the 'still' is a muddle here about  
 finished buying. Have ~~been~~ ~~ordered~~  
 2 excited by John White to get the  
 furniture attractive - 2 the Home as  
 beautiful as we can make it with our  
 limited cash & still from limited taste.  
 Have deliberately spent money on it because  
 I do not wish it to be ~~simple~~ that 'simplicity  
 of daily life means ugliness & lack of  
 order & charm. The ideal to be aimed at -

is strict economy & careful expenditure - no  
 self-indulgence or show, but beautiful  
 surroundings - i.e. the best taste & the best  
 craftsmanship in these things you have. So  
 I have gone to Morris' for paper &  
 promotion & spent days over my curtains  
 & looking up Chinese old bits of furniture  
 in second hand promotion shops. All of  
 which causes the Enemy (i.e. my system)  
 to blaspheme - saying "They do not  
 do much decoration is that!" It is a fact -  
 a helpful difficult matter of how much  
 one should spend on his own house.  
 Efficiency and economy about of housing  
 food well ordered drains & a certain  
 quackery to get things done; it is a somewhat  
 superficial matter to contend that you  
 need beautiful things <sup>to look well</sup>. It may be  
 desirable to have them - but it requires  
 a lot of proving! Of course it is  
 easy to take his stand to the outside  
 and boldly declare that personal expenditure  
 on your house should be a

judgment of conscience - that there is no  
 rule by wh. it can be judged. It is still  
 easier to deceive yourself - to cheat yr.  
 conscience - as doubtless we do cheat yr.  
 from time to time. Altogether tho' I have  
 debauched - I say it again - spent this  
 week & 100 is being further & better used  
 than ever absolutely necessary -  
 yet I am not altogether content with it.  
 It may not be as being says or meant work  
 is not to deceive it. Just wish I  
 hope to begin.

Oct 12<sup>th</sup>

Spent the whole morning with John  
 Burns looking over the 7-11. Documents he  
 has.

Our relation to John Burns has never been  
 a cordial one - ~~was~~ it promised to be more  
 so in future. I began with a production against  
 him - at 2/c compare it seems to me an  
 intrigue who suspected we were above it -  
 intrigue. His frequent retreats towards

Tom Mann also surprised me. ~~From the~~  
 Possibly he heard of my dislike - for he  
 treated me with very marked suspicion. Of  
 Sidney he has <sup>under the</sup> been jealous & was certain  
 that he should not come on to D.C.C. But  
 for me & even another this impression  
 has much less. On my part I have  
 long since seen reason to the effect of  
 opinion of him as a public man. His  
 capacity, straightforwardness & firmness  
 were his five his a general position  
 which for Mann has profited by  
 his light headed change of fronts on all  
 positions home & divine. Sidney has always  
 had a high opinion of him. Mann on his  
 side has now that Sidney does not  
 seek to play the rival labour leader  
 that his influence (Mann) will not be  
 diminished by Sidney's presence on D.C.C.  
 If Sidney went into Parliament it might  
 be that his jealousy would revive.

For jealousy & suspicion

of rather a mean kind is John Burns  
 burning his. A man of splendid physique,  
 fine strong intelligence, however sympathy,  
 practical capacity he is unfulfilled for  
 a really great position by his utter  
 inability to be a constant & loyal  
 comrad. He stands absolutely alone.  
 He is intensely jealous of other labor  
 men & a subtle suspicion of all middle  
 class ~~men~~. Sympathizer - but his  
 hatred of the their Hardie makes about  
 the dimensions of mania. He is a  
 born ruler of barbarians - inspiring  
 his followers with his Will & Debut  
 not judging the result. And yet he is  
 essentially an intellectual man - one of  
 his great pleasures is the constant  
 testing of practice of intellectual methods  
 & the use of sentimental considerations.  
 All said & done - it is deplorable to see  
 the splendid man a prey to the  
 of the most sordid kind - an eye  
 that sees not so much to fill the world  
 of its own drugs as to devour all

Her reputation is such that  
 his in books they stand out -  
 in which.

Monday, 1853. The agreed movement.

Am with Sidney Nichols & Shad.  
 Writing the next chapter of the book & fast-  
 sending part of it to press.

The autumn has gone ~~smoothly~~. I have  
 worked well in the mornings at the  
 book & read large portions of it.  
 My house is exactly ~~what~~ suits us -  
 & as yet there is no chance of  
 our being disturbed by too many  
 acquaintances. We entertain much more  
 than for an ordinary house, having a constant  
 succession of "profraternal" friends &  
 diners - some to board - all for some  
 purpose - either to help us or to  
 be helped into the right line themselves.  
 The excellent of the autumn has



was the issue of the Labour Manifesto  
 (Forney's 2nd. ed.) which is such a so  
 word by us. Shaw <sup>manufacture</sup> ~~produced~~ ~~with~~  
 off Sidney facts, it boomed in the  
 press - the Boy Democratic papers putting  
 it just the radical paper denouncing  
 it - 2 of such stranded respectables  
 as the Spectator & the Standard refusing  
 to notice it out of sheer perplexity had  
 to bid ~~the~~ it. I am not sure, whether  
 after the event I altogether approve of it.  
 There is some truth in Graham's  
 original opinion that we were rushed  
 into it by fear of being thought  
 complacent & apathetic by the Labour  
 Party. Whether it is wise to do anything  
 simply ~~for~~ <sup>for</sup> fear of being left behind? But  
 that was not the object of the motive.  
 All through the Spring Sidney & Shaw  
 have been feeling the need of some  
 strong outspoken words on the  
 lack of faith & will to go forward  
 manifested by the majority of the Cabinet





look at that or like 2 or deny ourselves  
 nothing that we really desire - we are  
 - always the same - self-indulgent - more  
 self-indulgent than we ought to be. But  
 some has in the same way we want  
 a thing we never find time to  
 deny <sup>it to</sup> ourselves. ~~it~~

Sad scenes at the Williams'. Dora  
 became a habit of morphine 2 chloroform  
 drunkard, the little boy nervous 2 sick,  
 Ross a slave to her demands trying  
 to keep herself by having her own  
 way in the management of her child.  
 Mrs Thompson selected them as nurses  
 to both husband 2 child - Ross became  
 to hate her out of jealousy - she  
 undoubtedly was comfortable 2 contented;  
 trying her best to keep the child in  
 health 2 to save from a suicidal  
 death. Poor little weak, jealous, nervous  
 Rosa - a pitiable spectacle -  
 struggling as bravely enough - but

with an utter lack of hope & despair.

The Irish household seemingly drifting into  
 gloom watched me - perhaps to the  
 dark tragedy of the child's death from  
 Maria's wilful disregard & the husband's  
 suicide. and yet to me the most

of all the figures is that strong woman-headed  
 woman - ~~the~~ striving to keep  
 things straight amidst of Maria's ~~unhappy~~  
 suspicious & dislike. How well I know  
 that feeling of being beaten & beheld

by the superior strength of ~~the~~ <sup>the</sup> work  
 obstinacy of Maria's fermented & per-

nicketh <sup>character</sup> ~~actions~~ (how well I know that  
 look almost savage. I remember that

Mr Thompson is begining to feel for that  
 sweet forgotten & useful experience of  
 Maria's. Can she know she is

the wrong way. Why is <sup>it</sup> that she is not  
 loving & devoted & generous to that  
 semi-criminal woman - whilst she

lets into the life of our strong nature

that ~~is~~ is coupled with her. Poor Rosebud.

~~was a very close~~ the "comforts"  
 one of the family.

She is the only sister of Dan & her  
 bunch - Many afternoons I walk ~~in~~  
 along the Embankment - & call in - first  
 to cheer up little Thompson - Six  
 years I spent with that woman and  
 also from her a true friend & wise  
 Counselor. And dear old Father - he  
 loved his "old nurse", <sup>and</sup> unutterably  
 pined he would be to see her ~~and~~  
 shuffling to keep his "little maidens"  
 (Dan he also loved desperately at the  
 time) - poor Sam died and a breaking  
 her heart is failing to do it. As  
 I sit tonight alone writing of my day  
 I almost hear the ~~the~~ "old nurse" &  
 her "dear old man" walking up  
 & down the hall & Father's cheery  
 voice outside the door asking to  
 come in & little Thompson waiting  
 his little "Miss De's" walking now -

we must not disturb her " Dear Old Man -  
at rest - so we shall soon all go to be.

The Sisterhood is scattered - many  
of us are becoming strangers - with no  
interest & common. Of Mary Pagan - with  
whom I lived at one time & the interest I  
have seen except some by marriage,  
Joseph & Blanche men frequent visits  
from time to time - Lottie too far off -  
Kate & Maggie rather more for Rosie  
is a common source of relief. But none  
of the Brothers is so close to me as  
Sedney - (Alfred is hardly now a  
brother & will in time cease to be an  
acquaintance.) Willie Leonard & Arthur  
I would describe my dear ones - Donald  
is indifferent - Robert Chaffin's affections  
that is I have never been intimate - it lacks  
little difference. The Dotts too return  
now completely at the back of me - we  
must keep & then only on distant terms  
~~acquaintance~~ of distant & formal courtesy.

We are not without friends. (Richard Waller, L. Smith, Thomas <sup>Heldland</sup> Shaw (the T's) <sup>L.C.C.</sup> (now working as <sup>L.C.C.</sup> organizers for technical education in the Sunday). Many friends of all my sort - of "labor" friends are there <sup>in their</sup> with different degrees of ~~friendship~~ <sup>attachment</sup>. But friends are not exchangeable commodities - another friend however true & tender is no substitute for a lost one - ~~the~~ ~~loss~~ ~~of~~ ~~the~~ ~~friend~~ ~~is~~ ~~not~~ ~~reparable~~ ~~by~~ ~~any~~ ~~means~~ ~~at~~ ~~all~~ ~~in~~ ~~the~~ ~~present~~ ~~life~~ - H. B. B. has no successor.

I must not break off in this manner by. All said & done I am triumphant. Happy - I am getting back by intellectual effort - to see & lose last night's Christendom is again a pleasure to me. Now for to rest then work I have to get to a constant but cheap for both - to find the world. Welcome New Year 1894.



March 20 feltly in both through the  
 press - dividing between balance of  
 profits - considering the form of  
 the whole firm & Thacker a  
 Royal Commission - lecturing annually  
 - down & up for. Selling books  
 of all work - starting at profits  
 £-cc. 2 now writing Broadhurst's  
 memoirs paper for the Times Com.  
 Saw - good deal lately of Gredell  
 Ludm, Burns, Broadhurst - saw  
 a number. Burns especially 'quid'  
 telling a good deal on 11 February for  
 advice. From all accounts of Pulvert  
 etc is some amount of jealousy &  
 suspicion of the handwriting. Fenwick  
 usually upon to know, identify &  
 handwriting - Burns not was certain  
 that Paul etc the job to credit  
 his work, Broadhurst trying to  
 out hand. Hand is under a lot back to  
 his position of his secretary -  
 handwriting & other officials present

in their own societies work - generally  
 go to sleep at the sitting & answer  
 themselves when awake & sitting  
 Tullitt apt Darns & Droad but  
 apt Fuviet. Altogether 74 sat  
 in the first no work & no work  
 of action. They had to perform.  
 Darns take to position, sent  
 visiting with him that he would  
 work through it with Union work.  
 But he is at present suffering from  
 some Drellant - with below & &  
 an equally excessive amount for the  
 Dramatic class. That is the work  
 of their workmen: from the  
 stand point of thinking <sup>ever new</sup>  
 is a good one another <sup>ground or one</sup> they <sup>found</sup>  
 to as position of general content  
 for the ~~ordinary~~ <sup>new</sup> common work  
 of men & in also other relevant  
 aspects of the new of affairs.  
 They find that <sup>middle class</sup> <sup>new work</sup>  
 is made to order itself in



He described how the  
 work of the fact that Haldane was  
 not prepared at all for the last 10 days  
 had been in such a pitched battle between  
 it and 2 of the Medicals. The common  
 sense of liberal sentiment was strong in  
 favour of Harcourt; it felt a pang of  
 Colchester radicals (including Lysons, Ash  
 Perry, Burt & Jeff) had joined Borchers  
 on the Parliamentary radicals, and by  
 vote the side of such whose faces in  
 London Times & 2 to Chronicle.

John Frank had joined them from Journal  
~~Editor~~ of Harcourt so that the sound of  
 the determination of it had been given by  
 a threat of retreat of half the mat-  
 riel part of the minority. But the  
 old gang has had their revenge. They  
 had prostrate Frank, forced out L.S.B.  
 She defers (Frank & Harcourt's nominees)  
 & effectively barred it out of Haldane's  
 entry into Cabinet. The two radicals  
 It was natural enough that poor  
 Haldane being sacrificed himself

by mentioning the <sup>the</sup> ~~the~~ rank & file  
 of his successful <sup>Pinehill</sup> Antiquary Club to put the  
 sceptic into the wind. He had come to us  
 to suggest that the Chronicle should be more  
 critical in its attitude towards the government  
 & that the Register generally should ~~not~~ ~~be~~  
~~that~~ not give themselves away. It was a  
 point of view, when one remembered his  
 own remembrance of our hostile attitude  
 last autumn, that he should be insisting on  
 its ~~independence~~ independence. I saw  
 however that it was more to Chronicle  
 that he was after than anything else. I  
 suggested that he should meet Massing's son  
 on Sunday next & talk it over.

Massing's son & before Helder arrived,  
 confirmed his account of what had taken  
 place. Brogna & Helder he says are  
 notes of the House of Commons & indeed, the  
 fact of your sleeping from under his will  
 & knows why. Helder invites Massing  
 to put the Chronicle on independent  
 force - - - on 2 Sunday from a long

It is worth to keep me said Halden expressed, either they or we have to go down"

detour in a plan of compromise  
 to visit the old gang from the July.  
 But what amount he was the viz i  
 said the present crisis had completely  
 healed the strains feeling crossed between  
 Selig & Messinger & to some extent  
 Halden & the Yelverton group. Messinger  
 also has told us something that he had seen  
 with you in regard to the <sup>new</sup> Tribune, come  
 what his ~~conduct~~ <sup>conduct</sup> of the Chronicle & his  
 allusion to the nominal Editor that  
 he would stand as interference in the  
 political editorship. ~~He stated in private~~  
~~was before the time of the Tribune in the same.~~  
 It shows how right we were to treat his  
 angry outbreak of front & public clamor  
 with unflinching good temper, & turn  
 on left cheek when he struck our right.  
 I like Messinger himself - I like his man  
 than I respect him. His excitement,  
 imperiousness, his fresh effluvia of  
 any thing you say of the Chronicle & production  
 of it - all this is ~~intolerable~~. But one

feel that the safe with the one left to back  
him is Warburton's reputation is low - but  
that what he is entitled to Tom James,  
he needs better.

Our little <sup>plan</sup> ~~plan~~ for writing the document  
Reports of the to Commons seems to be  
coming off alright. Tom James had his  
elaborate socialist <sup>2 pages</sup> manifesto in 1880.  
Broadhurst swallows to wait for  
Compliments & Sedley has just read his  
an excellent document on the eye services &  
Kafu of the Poor Law. But we haven't  
lost Tom in the meantime his spirit on  
July little same ~~-----~~ & 'Sedley'  
with it he wastes. But then some of  
notes we have to know with them  
learn new. They are not official.  
Broadhurst a good deal more so the  
Tom James, but then we have a content  
for the 'The Longs' David Jackson works  
though he less ignorant. Whether we  
shall succeed in making our little home  
the intellectual headquarters of the Labour  
movement depends a good deal on the success

from the point of view of the two new  
 concerns of these recent Reports. It is  
 becoming generally known among the English  
 readers that Selwyn is always ready to  
 give them the "Stock & Bonds" & that no  
 amount comes to the firm excepting  
 his help. The way shall be able to direct  
 the aims & methods of the London bank  
 on these points. Said we understand:  
 This "behind the scenes" intellectual  
 leadership is I believe Selwyn's especial  
 talent if he can get it opportunity  
 to use it. It is full. For ~~the~~ a  
 popular leader his personality is  
 not sufficient. He has a certain, for  
 real "Direction" & "Induction" his intellectual  
 grasp, his resume, insight, precision  
 & lucidity of expression, - above all his  
 just & extraordinary view on personal  
 conduct on the vulgar form of  
 ambition, render him an admirable  
 consultant. It is my business to see that  
 he has the material to work upon & so



for as Douglas had 2 last can bring it.  
It will be direction that I shall be  
most!

Read 18<sup>th</sup> of Amusing afternoon. I have come in in  
it having to say that he was bringing Muddley's Report & Abstract &  
elsewhere it being Report at Sodok, the excuse being that he had left  
it with S. to look after for a long part of time. We were both rather taken aback  
thinking that Muddley's own address was most important and not only refused  
to swallow it but we perhaps from that of it coming in trying to keep it  
out altogether. We did not imagine Muddley, a staunch conservative, would  
do "all of a heap". When Muddley turned up with his copy for  
the Friday Times I was rather to find that he was supposed to be  
with the Mining Report - a fact which was to what he did do. Sunday  
when it reached I had 2 weeks leave, as a large part of the others the  
gist of Muddley's Report. Standing a part of it for he began reading at  
all the parts which we often Muddley most; making comment on it,  
I have played out his had of supporting more adverse statements, Sunday  
supporting Muddley in any little support. As <sup>he had</sup> ~~was~~ on Muddley  
expressed his approval & was apparently delighted with the practical  
& detailed character of the support. It ended of Muddley  
considering the Report his own! & taking it on himself to announce  
to the Commission that they were doing up a Mining Report & would present  
it in a couple of days - the only allusion he makes in our  
Commission of the word "Sometimes" tho' he speaks of the substantial  
of the word "public and immediate, national interest". So much

