

Holloway Gaol

AY/3014

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~~PALL MALL GAZETTE,~~

~~NORTHUMBERLAND STREET,
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LONDON, Novem 14 1885

Dear Mrs Fawcett.

Thanks, heartfelt thanks to you for your
most welcome letter which I received just before
sentence and for the very kind Manchester letter which
you have sent my wife

Your kindness overwhelms me. I who have brought
so much trouble upon my wife who has been brave
enough to help me, that I should be liberally
cushioned down by such tender loving kindness
from you and others like you is somewhat
marvellous to me, and touches me very deeply.

God bless you for all your kindness sympathy
to may be in His infinite wisdom He will make
me somewhat less unworthy of your generous
praise than I am now.

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Rev. dear Mr. Farwell, if I may so address
one whom I have never spoken to, but who is
here the less dear & precious to me, do not
quere or fret about this trial or about my
imprisonment. I am sorry about Jarrett - Laertes
will be out on Wednesday. but for myself I am
simply unspeakably glad & grateful.

This week in goal has been one of the happiest
in my life. My wife also it has been singularly
blessed. Neither of us would have missed it for
anything. A great & peculiar privilege it has been
to know that by suffering this trivial discomfort
you could save scores it may be hundreds of poor
fils from a life to which prison is paradise.

I am now in Holloway, in a place prepared
for me. I remain in I hope till January

I shall at last have time to thank Stone to write "The Maiden
Tribute of Modern Babylon & How I wrote it" - a book which I hope to
publish early next year.

To agitate together me out of my appointed retreat is
a waste of effort which if well directed might permanently
raise the whole tone of the new House of Commons. Thus if my
quotations allow I propose to say in the P.M.G. on Monday

I am very happy, & much comfortable except at the
thought that so many dear friends are worrying about
what they call my "martyrdom". That is all nonsense

Someday I shall really die a violent death the which
people will call a martyr, but their imprisonments
are not dignified by that name.

Again assuring you of my sincere gratitude to you
for your wonderful goodness to me & mine

I have the honor to be

Yours respectfully

William T. Stead