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I like you to
 my brother that
 we have not
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 healer - but
 so soon as it
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 set off - I will
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My dear Mother
 Saturday 20th Aug - 1831
 Thank you for your kind
 letter, it was very welcome - I am getting
 more and more tired of being alone every
 time I see you - it is so disagreeable to be
 unsettled, to be always wishing to go away as
 soon as can I arrive and planning and
 contriving to do so - so that I have no fixed &
 regular course of life - if I sit down to read
 I think that if I do something else I shall be
 able to see you sooner - but I hope I shall
 stick to my plan of coming to you once a fortnight
 and not oftener, you must not let me come
 oftener, because I am afraid it is not right -
 I arrived at Newbridge exactly at 11 o'clock and
 found nobody come - but I was not long left
 alone - we had a very nice game and beat the
 Etourens completely - They went in first and
 got 136 - which is a great deal, and they all thought
 that they must win it easily - particularly when

two of our best men were soon got out - but
 I went in at 4 o'clock with Arthur Kibbee and
 we kept in all that day - and a good part of the
 next and got between us 162 - of which I got 70
 Then they went in again and were soon out and
 chiefly by my play - so we beat them in one
 innings - you see how I boast of myself but it is
 only about cricket - do you understand it all -

I find the way do you know much shorter, in fact
 3 houses and a half would bring me easily from
 house to house - and I think I may venture to
 say that no weather will stop me, as long as you
 will express a desire to see me - how long will
 that be, thank you, my dear - Dr & Mrs Collyer
 have spent the day with me - and very pleasant
 and polite they have been, oh coeurs de rose
 (do you know what colour that is) the worst of
 it is that they always drink me a bottle of wine
 when they come - but we were vastly agreeable to
 each other and they went away at seven o'clock
 and did not bring any of the "dear little family"
 with them - I shall go to Exeter probably on Tuesday
 with regard to Anne I hardly know whether I can

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fully justified in giving out that she is mad
 and thus depriving her of her bread, she has
 been very quiet and reasonable ever since &
 it is very hard to denounce a person for ever.
 I shall certainly get rid of her - but I think I had
 better try fair means first and if that does not
 answer, if another scene takes place, then it
 would be time to take strong measures - I have
 a plan of taking an old woman here for some
 little time - for if - as I trust, we shall be married
 next year, that would be the time to settle
 about those things - do you think that I am
 right? - yes I do though care about the sea
 there are so many pleasant associations connected
 with them that I cannot look upon any without pleasure
 and I like them for themselves too - yes indeed I was
 very stupid, but they enticed my purpose being weak.
 I think you will find me a better pupil sometime
 hence - I am glad you are going to have a collection
 I shall always be glad to think of you with or without
 your curls - but how you look without them is
 what I cannot imagine - but I shall be still more
 glad to hear all that you have to say to me when
 I come again - Your friend with much I think very
 much - with regard to the narrative I have read it over

and ever again - It is doubtly valuable for you as
who wrote it - I am sure I am fully justified in my
love and veneration for my mother - I can only pray the
beauty, my dearest love, that some death had may be like
hers - I hope for my sake it will not come so soon in life
hers - but God knows best - I wish not be so selfish as to be

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To die before you - because I think it is miserable
to be a clergyman's widow - but only very soon after you
but we will not dwell on such things - sufficient unto the day
the evil thereof - God bless his choicest blessings upon
your head - your most true and affectionate friend