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Château de Floreac
Cannes

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My dear Miss Strudwick

I was so glad to get
all your letters, you can't think
it had seemed so strange & unnatural
that you should not know, & all
your kind & affectionate letters made
me feel better. I miss you all
very badly, only it is very hard to
realize that Newham is going on
just exactly the same, only that!

am not there! But I hope to come
on the 27th for at least a week if
possible, & I am looking forward
to it more than I can say; I shall
want to see everybody & to hear about
everything, what a tremendous amount
of talk that will mean! As it is,
I think of Newnham ever so much.
And it was quite delightful to see
last Wednesday in London the Principal,
the three Vice Principals, & six of the
lecturers, even though but for a little
time.

We got here safely yesterday, although

it was a very cold journey, & ^{though} ~~though~~
between 6 & 7 a.m. we suddenly all
had to bundle (8 of us) out of our
carriages quite unexpectedly, owing
to something having broken. Fancy
how everything was scattered about
in all corners! & fancy my poor
Parents having to turn out forlornly
into the cold & snow! however not
one single word of complaint did
they make - & happily my Father
is none the worse, & I quite hope my
Mother will be all right again

by tomorrow. I believe we lost
nothing except my precious
soap & soap box!! It is very
beautiful here, though cold &
rainy today, & though the glorious
garden has been a good deal hurt
by the rather sharp frost of a week
ago - still there are roses & hyacinths
& immense quantities of violets.

Yours aff

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