

STEPHEN Lady

Hale,

Fordingbridge,

Hants.

24 Feb. [1945]

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Dear Pippa,

Thank you so much for
your letters & for your kind
information, which I am very
glad to have in case of need,
one feels so lost - without a little
sign post. I hope it didn't bother
you to open the parcel of letters,
some how I thought of you as too
busy to look at them. I am
very glad you think them of some
interest. I send another in case
you think it - wd do for your
library, it is a rather quaint letter

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from Mrs Chisholm to Aunt
Florence. I see you share my
Taste for seeing what these old
people were like, I do think
it rather amusing & instructive.

I am glad Charlotte melted about
Aunt Barbara's pictures, I hope
she doesn't want to deprive you
of Niagara which I think is
the best. No, I never ^{saw} ~~did~~
Dr Elizabeth Blackwell, her
letters are really rather nice &
affectionate, I threw away some
very trifling notes which seem more
affectionate when not mixed with
business. I told Charlotte, in fact
asked her leave to send you ~~the~~ those
letters, & no doubt that ~~may~~ made

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her think about the pictures.
She was very friendly about
giving the letters (of course she
didn't want them!)

Your family party sounds very
pleasant, most people are
so awfully scattered now.

Yours affecly

Barbara Stephen

Love to Pernel.