

Dear Miss Julia

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I thank you much for your kind mention of me in your letters. I do all I can to make Mr. Bodichon's house and wardrobe as they should be. but my own deficiencies & the difficulties with servants do not allow of things being so perfect & good as I would like, next year I hope to do much better. the gowns you gave me have been of much service to me. I like now the muslin one. & find it ~~very~~ ^{truly} pretty. — I am very sorry to hear that you are suffering & wish you were here to enjoy this delicious, warm, scented air.

with much respect
believe me to be

Yours faithfully Ellen Allen.

Do you see Ellen translates her ~~English~~ french thoughts into English for you
pour moi cela ne peut ~~jamais~~
arriver — je parle toujours et écrivable
étouffé as I said to a french man.
I never think in french Ellen always does.

I doubt if you would think the house
"nice" it is rough very & we have no
luxuries. I am afraid of having a well appointed
house I believe I could not work if I had & I
want my money for other things. You must
please to remember there is only one
Dr. Elizabeth Blackwell in the world & so

