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July 19<sup>th</sup>.



Alderburgh

Thursday

My dear Emily

Thanks for your letter. I was glad to know how much the lodging would cost before speaking to my father about it. As the rooms are 16/ a week I think it would be better for me to stay at Bayswater till the 1<sup>st</sup> Sept, then spend one month at Gloucester St, returning to Louie's



New house as soon as she can  
 admit me. There is no special  
 advantage in spending three months  
 alone in lodgings, except that these  
 are nearer the hospital than Louis's  
 house is, and I do not value  
 this highly as the walks will be  
 very good for me. There will be  
 a good many necessary expenses  
 attending my education & separate  
 maintenance, and I am really

anxious not to incur any that are  
 needless. Every one seems to fear  
 that my health & nerves will  
 break down, and this sad affair  
 about Mr. Bell (suicide) has been  
 used as an argument against  
 me. Therefore I am determined  
 by God's help to keep in good  
 health, if care can do it. I shall  
 ride as often as my finances will  
 admit of the outlay, and I think  
 with an occasional saltpetre, frequent  
 bathing & daily walking I shall

be able to prove that it is not  
necessary to break down under  
the physical or nervous difficulties.  
I had a long letter from W. Freeman  
yesterday, exhorting me to abandon  
the attempt, & another from <sup>my Aunt</sup>  
P. this morning to the same effect.  
I was very careful not to imply  
(in writing to inform my friends of  
my intentions) that I wanted their  
advice; this caution has been useless  
however, for they all seem to think  
it necessary to give me a most liberal  
dose of it, & when I cannot follow

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it there is some awkwardness in  
Thanking them for their kind solicitude.

My parents have gone to Malvern  
this morning, to attend Mr. Bell's  
funeral. Miss Ayres & Agnes & Philby  
have gone to Woodbridge with ST  
& I mean to go to Mrs. Mitcalfe &  
tell her my design.

Love to Jane - Yours ever

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