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Dear Mrs Fawcett

I take advantage of my wife's
visit to Gower Street, to take a liberty
which possibly may grieve you.

I have written a review of Mr Leslie
Stephen's "Life of Henry Fawcett". I don't
want to say anything unkind. I don't want
in any way to say publicly anything that
might cause you even the shadow of a
passing sorrow.

So I venture to enclose beneath the
proof of the Review.

If you would prefer not to see them
just put them into the enclosed envelope

Give them me at once without opening
them. If however you can look at such things
without pain. perhaps tomorrow sometime
or Sunday you might glance over them
& take out anything that you think is
mistaken or that you would rather not have at all.

I hope you will not misunderstand my
 motive in sending the proofs to you. I don't
in any case mention outside your own
family circle: I am very well. But time

Does get on so very fast

Yours faithfully

W. J. Stead