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Staverton

January 21. 90

7.30. —

My Dear Wife,

William is better

So we all think — his appetite is very good indeed — A great number of people are bad & dying with Respiratory disease —

What do you say to me running over on Saturday and looking at the intended Brick Field if you don't come home before — I went by train to Ashchurch this morning — the driver

Gil's horse back and then Harold & I took Mamma in and brought Gilbert back — old Jim Yardington was taken ill on Saturday

I died this morning with Bronchitis & Pleurisy — I saw Wills in the Plough Yard today and he said he received a letter from you today

I wrote a few lines to exam giving distance

of Chell from Moat signed. Truth //

Robt Parnell was here some time last evening — Gilbert is going over there tomorrow evening to meet Parnell the Architect — I will leave the span until Post tomorrow in case there may be something to answer.

I hope Mamma got on all right she has been a very good girl indeed quite looked after Gilbert

two Enclosures — good bye accept my best love

Believe me  
Ever affectionate  
Husband

9.20 a m Wednesday

Post not come

yet

very rough copy but embodies the spirit  
of my letter to Mr Holloman

My dear Sir  
from Harriet  
Mrs. I. Leighton

January 1890

in answer to your letter as to permission

to address the Strand Conservative Ass<sup>n</sup> on  
the reasons which have led to the formation of the  
Newly-formed Women's Franchise League and the  
introduction by Mr Walden M.P. of the <sup>League's</sup> request  
of the "Women's Disabilities Removal Bill" - Mr

Barbott has ~~kindly~~ informed me that he will  
ask your permission to kindly grant the use  
of the Barbott Hall - May I further supplement  
that request by asking you to do me the honor of  
presiding - Mr Walden's Bill is sound in

principle - and proposes to enfranchise all duly  
qualified women householders & ratepayers whether  
unmarried married or widowed whereas Mr Woodall's  
Bill specifically singles out specifics that ~~under no~~  
no "woman under coverture" shall vote - Thus

excluding the lady owner - The married woman trades  
the deserted wife - &c. <sup>If they were not before which they are first reasons for</sup> the Married Women Property Act  
of 1882 made these women bona fide ratepayers - & Mr Woodall  
has no right to <sup>try to</sup> put a statutory disability on them when  
the franchise is conferred on women generally

Mr Holloman M.P.

belonging to her