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My dear Mary

I have the remainder  
of a 5 note and am much  
pleas'd with thy short note  
of yesterday - I drove over  
to Reddish yesterday morning  
dined there + drove through  
Manchester to Totterdell  
in the afternoon, and a  
more thoroughly wet drive  
I have seldom had  
there was later on some  
heavy thunder &c.

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Farah was very busy  
washing and she had a

most excellent small bit  
of Mutton in ~~the oven~~  
some most excellent potatoes  
baking in the oven - She  
cooks that dish well I  
can vouch - I wish we  
had more of these potatoes  
there are only about 2 loads ~~they~~  
are called Forest Reds, ~~they~~  
are my own growing, and  
very sound. In passing  
Walmleys I ordered 1 loaf  
Flour to be at Mr Speares  
tomorrow, but we must  
take some bread with us  
on Friday - it is a  
great pleasure to see to  
think of being all together

at home again, indeed I shall  
hardly think of any thing else  
until then - I have ordered  
the "Bus" to be at the Victoria  
Station at 3 O'Clock unless I give  
orders in the mean time to the  
contrary - do not fail to let  
me know what is finally settled  
Poor Hab! but he was not  
so badly used as the poor  
boy who lost 8 teeth! I  
quite intended seeing the  
Yesterday's Guardian, but  
have forgotten it at Fort Stenton.

Brown & Eliza went home yesterday  
afternoon - she is looking very  
well and strong - but not fat.  
Brown wanted that they intended  
to have a dinner about 4 days  
and wanted to know how

it could be managed - I said  
by giving at least three weeks  
notice and letting everybody  
know every body, <sup>also</sup> that was going  
so that travelling arrangements could  
be made - if it comes off the  
pleasure will be problematical  
the fatigued + trouble certain.

Amirshah has just called  
to ask me to spend the evening  
with him + eat oysters ~~his~~  
I have promised to do so.  
Leigh is complaining of rheu-  
matism in his knee - it  
came on yesterday and he is  
no better this morning, but  
he does not appear much  
sore + I think any excitement  
would make him forget it.  
Today is miserably wet, but I  
must turn out after business  
Ever thine H. F. Barker

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