

practitioner was called in who removed the mis-
chief, and though extremely weak she was going on
well, & everybody was rejoicing in the prospect when
she suddenly sank last Wednesday week, & I had
to follow her last Tuesday to her final resting
place. — It has been a terrible stroke when
parents (she was but 23) and the poor widower
looks 15 years older. And we have felt it very
much — tho' from her having lived so far away
near Matlock since her marriage we had seen
very little of her. Strange as it may seem, it
was altogether a love-match — & their short time
together was very happily spent. She was of a
very practical & domestic turn, & likely when
done much good in the situation to which, as we
might have supposed, she had been appointed by
Providence. But ye know not what shall be on
the morrow! — And there is surely a lesson
in it for us all; — that when He cometh we
may open to Him immediately.

I much now turn to some other matter to
tell you that I have had great comfort & ad-
distrance from my cousin (1.st cousin's son) W^r. James

Eyre, whose mother (such a dear sweet creature!) died while we were abroad — & he has come here on
a long visit, & the Bishop has very kindly licensed
him as Lay Reader among the poor, by whom he is
much beloved, as he lives in the neighbourhood & was
very kind to the people formerly. This has been of
great use to me, in enabling me to proceed more
uninterruptedly with my dear Father's book, which
is making at last some progress. But a day or
two ago I received intelligence — which I had been
getting rather apprehensive about — that a new
edition of Celest. Obj. would soon be wanted —
Nothing could well be more importune. I
wrote to Longman to say I could do nothing to it
till the other — for which so many persons have
been waiting so long — was finished. To this he
gives a very reluctant assent, being evidently
impressed with the danger of competition. I own
— concited as I fear it must appear — that I
am less afraid of it than he — not that a better
book might not be produced — (!!!!!)
but simply because it has got (I thank God only
for it) a kind of standing which would not be
likely to encourage a dangerous competition. I