

go - but I did not consider my wife strong enough (for she has had some very uncomfortable attacks lately) and I do not well leave her for her own sake, nor conveniently for my own, as her attention to my foot is so continuous - it is I hope going on well, but not yet quite healed. And nothing could be more considerate or kind in the matter than the feelings of these dear people in London. - We have long thought he was wearing himself out by the restlessness of his professional life. I have often wished he would come here for a few quiet days, even if he brought what he could of his work with him - but in vain - we never could get him here since the time when he so kindly came to remodel this house for my dear Father to join us - & our only chance of seeing him was in London. - It was a great mercy for him that his only daughter, long frustrated by chronic illness, had so far

recovered of late years as to come up & see his most tender & efficient nurse in his latter days. —

You will be glad I know to hear that I have received a specimen of the type of Cal. Obj. which looks I think very well. Klein's book - my acquaintance with w.^{ch} is entirely due to you, has been very useful to me, & furnished me with many improvements.

Thank you for your repeated information about that curious 15 puzzle - you will recollect that you gave us the form 2134 for the first line - the rest as usual. My wife had solved this one & over again - but there seem to be unsolvable cases of that form. And - to go back to the beginning of them all - I never understood from the first in what position the numbers are to be placed before beginning - if they are to be taken from the table & put in the frame at the plea-