

Hardwick Vicarage, 31 May 1872.

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My dearest Arthur.

I am very sincerely obliged both to your dear Parents and yourself, for the contents of your Card - But - sehen sie da - how my matters stand on that there Tuesday.

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Then - a journey into the City - to my bankers, & to hunt up an agent far East -

To Somerset House -

To my very aged Uncle - away at Barnsbury - whence I cannot hurry away. -

All this I know - besides the probability and more - of some other excursion or so, on business - With all this I think you will see it would be a piece of un wisdom (or no-wisdom as Clarendon would have said) to tie myself to any appointments, however pleasurable (and most pleasurable it would