

Bolton 4 July 1877

Dearest Louie,

I duly received your postal [words missing] yesterday saying that [words missing] night [words missing or faded]. The lake [words missing] prettier & the weather never over 70° since I came, but I have been laid up since Sunday with bad external pile, so that I can just walk or that [sic] at all & have been unable to exercise now or anything at all [words faded] to be better [words faded] .

The yacht [words faded] times as [words faded] except to get up [words faded] have done for me to 14 mile [words faded] the house has been a lovely little hotel called the “Pearl Point House” just beyond the 100 mile house has been put up since last year – it is lovely in its size of [rooms, word missing] – first class finish and furniture [word missing] a city hotel it is [words faded] the only objection [words faded] sits on the wrong side of the lake. Mrs. Wilson is crazy as a loon again I fear & she gave up the Bolton House yesterday – altho’ it is half full & every room engaged – [words missing], the Japanese Minister & family [words missing] know yet who will keep it Mrs. Nelson will hardly be able [words faded] with her cottage – she has [?] for me to see her this morning – I suppose about her [words missing] case.

Mr. & Mrs. Stevenson & Miss Minnie & the youngest sister arrived last night. Mrs. S didn’t seem well. People are being turned away every day even now by the [words faded] the house will be [?] full – I see no [words faded] rooms in the house. I am sorry to say as [words faded] so pleasant this year [words faded] no clergyman on Sunday as it rained furiously with heavy thunder & some hail.

I am anxious to hear how the milk is getting on how the dear baby [?] – do you think you will be able to nurse him – Do you get your strength all night [words faded] out yet. [sic]

I sent you Franks [sic] letter so that you will have its contents by my card of yesterday & the letter itself today to make sure of your getting it.

The [words missing or faded] day & I get yours in 24 hours or thereabouts.

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There are a number of young men & half grown boys here & a number of babies.

Dody had an hours [sic] lesson in french [sic] & addition every morning & then [?] himself. He is looking very healthy but he is so disfigured by blotches and is too fat [words faded] coarse & hoarsely & I am sorry as he used to be a handsome boy.

Goodbye darling as the boat is cruising -- Love to all – lots to your dear self – kisses for the dear children.

Your loving husband

J B Henry

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