

10. NAM 11/6/5/2

Taal Chapel
le Trith Derbyshire
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I will write you a note my dear
instead of a letter that I may have
some chance of a reply - I want
much to know how you do after all
what I am certain you have suffered
during our ~~most~~ beloved & excellent
King's illness and the Queens poignant
affliction which must have affected
the most insensible but deeply
wounded such a heart as yours -
God be praised our ^{sadness} ~~grief~~ is turned
to joy! and I trust His Majesty
will consider himself more than
he has done and endeavours to
preserve a life of such infinite ^{value &}
consequence. It does one good to
think of the overflowing happiness
our amiable & exemplary Queen and

The Princesses must feel - May
they never again experience the
anguish of mind they have done!

Her Majesty was ever deserving of
the highest respect, ^{attachment,} & admiration, -
she must now not only be admired
respected & loved but revered as a
shining pattern of Christian piety,
for what else than a firm faith, &
reliance on the Supreme Being could
have supported her to act in the
manner she has done when under
the heavy pressure of such an affliction.

I have just rec^d. a letter from Mrs
Granville with a particular acct of
Mr. Waddington & ^{am extremely} pleased to find Mrs
Waddington has so fair a prospect of
comfort & happiness; as I imagine
you hear ^{frequently} ~~often~~ from her it would be
needless for me to send you any
intelligence respecting her. If Mr.
Astley is at Windsor pray remember
me very kindly to her. What a fortunate
circumstance that our ^{dearest} ~~beloved~~ friend
Mr. Selamy did not live till the King's
his Majesty's

illness she certainly will have died
 of a broken heart long before
 it pleased God he should recover.

~~If Mr. Schumblum is at Windsor~~ May
ask her if she ^{has} need a letter from me,
I sent her one wth I entrusted to a private
hand of beginning of this month. I hope
she does not suffer so ^{cruelly} terribly in her health
as she used to do.

It will give me great pleasure to hear
that Mr. father is well. don't fail to
remember me very cordially to him.

My love to Mr. & Mrs. Smelt wth many
thanks to him for his kind ^{friendly} ~~reply~~ to my
letter w^{ch} I rec^d. yesterday - If Mr. Digby
the worthy friend of Mr. Digby's wife you
~~will~~ ^{will} do Mr. D. one of favor to
present our ^{most} affectionate regards to him,
do you not like Mr. Digby? he is a
man deserving respect & love -
How sich you are to have both him
& Mr. Smelt.

Mr. T. insists upon my sending his
love to you - he is very well as is our
little darling - whom I think you
will like for her own sake - at least
I flatter myself so. I am ever most
affectionately
Yours
M. Dickens

I beg you will ^{inform me} ~~let me~~ know if Mr. & Mrs.
Fisher are at H. - tell Mr. & Mrs. F. want to see him
last summer & was much disappointed not to find him at
home. I also wrote a letter to him to which I never rec'd. an ans.
How is Mrs. de lae? pray tell her & Mr. de lae that I
have always y^r. sincerest regard for them.

Do me y^r. favour to enquire of Mr. Schellenberg
after Genl. Freytag & Mr. Hagerdorn.

Yours affly
J. A. Schellenberg

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