

36 Norfolk place, Bryanston Square, London  
 27<sup>th</sup> September 1837. Wednesday

Mon cher Ami,

In answer to your funny letter (which I could not help reading to my friends and exciting in them the same risible faculties which tickled my sides at the perusal of yours & it,) the time does not allow me to give free vent to my feelings in order to react upon yours in the same laudable way, as the Doctor returned to town and gave me a lot to copy. I must, therefore, be brief. I have no doubt that he will write himself to your paper, I heard him say so. But that you may quiet yourself as to the day of your departure, take any number of the daily papers, and there you will find an advertisement issued by your "Dy-bloo" (as you call him) Dr Morgan, by which you will learn that he opens his course on the 16<sup>th</sup> of October. So you have fully a week to at least to enjoy, the healthy, balmy, life and love inspiring country-air, of Ulceby Grange.

Some one is publishing a pamphlet against Dr Lardner. He has done something at the British Association, which, as a matter of course, did not please ~~the~~ the pamphleteer - and hence the curious exposition. Dr Lardner moved a Committee on Railways at the British Association, to prepare a Report at the next meeting of it at Newcastle-upon-Tyne (which last is chiefly owing to him).



Dear Sir,  
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. in relation to the proposed Association of the Friends of the Cause of the Colored People of the United States. I have also the pleasure to inform you that the same has been forwarded to the Executive Committee of the American Society for the Propagation of the Gospel, who are the only body authorized to receive applications for membership in the said Association. I have no doubt that they will give the matter their usual consideration, and will be glad to receive from you any further information that may be necessary. I am, Sir, very respectfully,  
Your obedient servant,  
Wm. L. Chapin, Secretary.

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He moved another Committee on Steam Navigation, and already he prepares the necessary circulars, which circulate first under my palm as under a printing machine before they shall circulate in the world.

Your kindness to my Countryman as well is highly esteemed by me and most cheerfully acknowledged. -

If I can find a fit person for a groom I shall feel great pleasure <sup>in</sup> recommending him to your papa; but, at the same time, I must say, that I will not recommend one who will not bear the strictest scrutiny as to his character, and therefore I shall be very difficult to please. I have one in view, - an excellent fellow - but he has this very common foible with such men that mixed with other fellows he is very easily persuaded by them to join in the glass of port or so. But when left to himself, he is perfectly and always sober. Still it is a disqualification in my judgment.

Last Sunday week Miss Gardner invited me to Dinner to Shepherd's Bush. Oh! the behaviour of the boys! their language! their tormenting her! I speak of Bourgeois & George Gardner. I assure you I was sick, and tho' they invited me to an Evening Party, where they expected to have <sup>much</sup> dancing (such an inducement for me!) I would not go, remembering all this. Now they are quiet.







How four brace of partridges and a hare in a single day! horridum! so many lives lost! so many free born British subjects butchered without mercy! Oh if ever the partridges you killed will plead against you, will seat in judgement <sup>upon you</sup> ~~against~~, how their number will astonish and terrify you, as it now delights and ravishes your heart. Amen

Now my Compliments to those at home

- To your excellent, jovial & cheerful Papa Present my compliments
- To your adorable, amiable & dear Mama Present my compliments
- To your inquisitive, well dancing, blue eyed sister, Miss Massam Present my compliments
- To my beloved, mon petit oiseau, mon butterfly, Miss Maggie, Miss M. O'Farrell
- Miss Margerets Present my compliments.

- To the estimable and venerable, Mr. Beantson, your Grand Mama Present my Compliments
  - To Miss Cooper, <sup>the</sup> well instructed & well instructing Lady, Present my compliments
- to those abroad

- To the kindest, pleasing and manly Miss Updeley Present my compliments.
- To the smiling, musical & talented Miss <sup>and reminded <sup>her</sup> of the hooks & forks of the bat</sup> Nicholson, <sup>the slow</sup>, Present my compliments
- To the hearty, love inspiring & charming Miss Mary Nicholson, Present my compliments.
- And to all young ladies of the neighbourhood Present my compliments
- To the friendly Mr. Updeley, the father & the son Present my compliments
- To the young, gay & company loving Mr. Whobgate, Present my compliments,
- To the handsome & good hearted brother of the Misses Nichol Present my compl<sup>s</sup>.
- To the good humoured, loud & keen Mr. Simpson, Present my compliments
- To the modest, elegant and accomplished Mrs. Simpson. Present my Compl.
- And to all the Misses White Present my compliments.

Did you read in the papers, the Don Juan was wrecked last week

Mont. W. Field  
Wheat, Gray

Your affectionate Brother  
Cecilia







28, New-ford place, Bryanston Square, London  
28<sup>th</sup> December 1837. Thursday

Mon aimable Pigeon,

Vous avez bien voulu vous vous souvenir de moi? Oh! comme cela m'enchanté! L'on distingue tant de beautés, l'on prend tant d'intérêt dans un objet fait exprès pour servir d'un présent - d'un souvenir! C'est un nouvel anneau que votre bourse, dans la chaîne d'attraction qui me lie si fortement à la maison de vos chères parents; c'est un don qui me fera rappeler <sup>avec plaisir</sup> votre bonté pour moi - quoique, pourtant, on n'oublie pas si facilement des états si gentilles comme vous. Mille grâces, mille grâces encor! -

Mais, mon aimable Pigeon, - une question: Est-ce que votre maman vous permet de faire de présents aux Messieurs? - est-ce qu'elle vous permet de leur écrire? - votre Gouvernante vous dira que c'est une question embarrassante pour une jeune demoiselle - mais, peut-être, votre bonne maman voudra que vous avez bien fait. Soit. Vous n'avez consulté, dans ce cas, que vous-même; mais il y aura des cas où il faudra consulter le gouverneur et le maman.

Je trouve, en examinant votre ouvrage, que pour l'écarter vous avez un besoin et des







The first thing I did was to  
 go to the bank and see  
 how much money I had left  
 after the expenses of the  
 last week. I found that I  
 had about five dollars left  
 which was not much but  
 I was glad to see it.  
 I then went to the  
 store and bought some  
 provisions for the week.  
 I also bought some  
 clothes for my children.  
 I then went to the  
 school and saw the  
 children. They were  
 all well and happy.  
 I then went to the  
 church and saw the  
 service. It was very  
 interesting and I  
 enjoyed it very much.  
 I then went to the  
 office and saw the  
 work. It was very  
 busy and I was glad  
 to see it.  
 I then went to the  
 house and saw the  
 family. They were  
 all well and happy.  
 I then went to the  
 bed and went to sleep.  
 I had a very good  
 night's sleep and  
 woke up in the  
 morning feeling  
 refreshed and  
 ready for the  
 day.



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materiaux) - et du temps - et des instruments. Les instruments qui vous ont assisté le plus ont été vos petits doigts - qui ont été guidés par votre œil bleu (et dites à tout le monde de ma part que l'œil bleu est plus précieux d'après moi que l'œil noir; vous avez du noir dans chaque cheminée, vous n'avez du bleu que dans les cieux). Ce n'était pas le travail d'une <sup>heure</sup> ~~jour~~ - vous y avez passé pendant plusieurs jours: donc je conclus que pour faire un ouvrage quelconque l'exécution demande 1<sup>o</sup> des matériaux; 2<sup>o</sup> du temps; 3<sup>o</sup> des instruments; 4<sup>o</sup> de la pensée; 5<sup>o</sup> et surtout un régulateur, qui est l'œil bleu dans ce cas-ci. - Que le Dieu qui vous a donné cet œil, cette pensée, ces instruments, le temps, et le choix, vous bénisse lui-même dans tous vos entreprises; et qu'il vous rappelle, sans cesse; que vous ne pouvez rien faire sans lui; qu'il donne tout. Vous êtes entourée des objets, tous soumis à votre choix, à votre volonté; mais vous pensez bien si vous pensez que personne ne pourrait les créer, en ce point le Dieu lui-même. Et, de l'autre côté, les matériaux pourraient rester toute leur vie (je dis vie parce que chaque chose est vivante dans le monde) sans être jamais utiles, si <sup>vous</sup> n'avez pas des instruments. Et qui a créé ces instruments? Encore le Dieu.



Dans tous vos occupations, donc, tournez toujours votre pensée vers lui, et jamais vous ne ferez rien que de ce qui pourrait ne pas lui plaire et ce qui ne serait pas applaudi par les mortels.

Je vous donne ces remarques <sup>en échange</sup> pour votre jolie present, et je crois que j'ai le droit puisque je suis de beaucoup plus vieux que vous.

Je vous ai envoyé, aussi bien qu'à mon petit papillon, quelques dessins Vendredi passé par M. W. Field jun<sup>r</sup> de "Sal" pour vous, et "la procession" pour mademoiselle votre sœur.

Bonne choses à votre bon papa, et à votre aimable maman, et mes compliments à Mad<sup>elle</sup> Cooper.

Tenez moi pour votre  
Leonard Piodawiecki

Je suis bien fâché d'entendre que Mad<sup>elle</sup> Uppleby ne se porte pas bien; elle a quelque chose dans son caractère qui m'a plu beaucoup, donc je suis avec beaucoup d'amitié pour elle.

You may send your purse which you are making for Willy the shooter, in the same way as you sent mine the one for me, taking care not to put M.P. after the Hon<sup>ble</sup> M. F. F. Strangways name. He was a M.P. and the addition of these two letters to his name caused the letter to be sent to his brother's who had a seat in the house of Commons. So he explained it to me when he lent me your



I have been very much interested in your  
 account of the late war, and am glad to  
 hear that you have been so successful in  
 your military career. I am sure you will  
 continue to distinguish yourself in the  
 service of your country. I have been  
 thinking much of late of the state of  
 the world, and of the progress of  
 science and art. I am glad to see  
 that you are so well informed on these  
 subjects. I have been reading much  
 of the history of the world, and of  
 the lives of the great men who have  
 distinguished themselves in various  
 branches of knowledge. I am sure  
 that you will find much to interest  
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your letter containing the pretty purse. It was  
delayed a little, owing to the above mentioned  
circumstance, but most happily it came to  
hand on the very morning of Christmas. Willy  
says that he is particularly anxious that the  
linings of his purse should be of a  
substantial character.

I am commissioned by my excellent Willy  
further to request, to send as soon as possible  
to 9 St. Queen Street, Westminster, by the next  
opportunity a considerable quantity of pork  
pies and sausages.

When Parliament is assembled, a letter  
addressed under cover to "Philip Henry Howard  
Esq. M.P. London", will always find me.

You have another way of writing to  
your brother: Enclose your letter under cover  
to S. M. Phillipps Esq. Home Office, London—  
all letters addressed to Dr. Lardner and ~~sent~~  
dispatched under cover to the above gentleman  
will reach Willy whatever be the weight.

In enclosing a letter for me it is necessary  
to write on the cover so: "The Hon<sup>ble</sup> W. J. F.  
Strangway Esq. Foreign Office London".

The paper sent to your mama contains  $\frac{1}{4}$   
reams; <sup>and cost</sup> the letter paper  $\frac{3}{8}$ , and the note paper  
 $\frac{1}{9}$  altogether  $\frac{5}{7}$ —and is charged to your  
papa in Dr. Lardner's acct.

Mrs. Marianne Field  
Belby Grange, Barrow

(L.M.)







36 Nufford place, Bryanston Square, London  
11<sup>th</sup> February 1838 Sunday

My dear Miss Marianne,

As a memento from me you will be kind to ~~receive~~ <sup>accept</sup> a small box of scells, and a few drops of the real otto of roses brought direct from Constantinople, which I promised you such a length of time - a single drop of these poured into what is called rose-water will convert it into excellent perfume.

I hope you are enjoying yourself, and that you have recovered from the fall of the ladder on your foot. We got a pretty Winter - the Skaters are delighted with it - and I hope that you enjoy it too.

With many, many compliments to yourself, and to all <sup>our</sup> kind friends  
I am,

My dear Miss Marianne  
ever sincerely yours  
Leonard Niedzwiecki

Miss Marianne Fielts,  
Alceby Grange



Bruxelles

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Hotel de Belle Vue

9<sup>th</sup> February 1839.

Saturday

My dear Mr. Field,

To fulfil my promise, no less than to gratify my propensity for epistolary loquacity, but above all I should think as I feel it now, to remind my pretty "darling" Miss Margaret that I am alive and that I have not forgotten that within next three days her birth-day comes on, I sit down to write you a letter and to give you a brief summary of my sojourn here. - I confess that either the English have just cause to be proud, or that there is something in the spirit of anglicity who has once imbibed it as I have done, or there is something in man that predisposes him to view every thing with distaste which is foreign to him or at variance with his notions what it should be, that I have beheld every thing abroad not only with indifference but with a kind of grudge. Which of the three enumerated <sup>causes</sup> has acted most powerfully with me I cannot say, may be all three together; the result, however, is that I like English what is English more than anything else.

Pereambulate Bruxelles from north to south, from one end to the other in any direction if you have the courage to accomplish, - and two broad distinctions will stare you in the face, will accompany you all the <sup>through</sup> town, - and they are - the want of thoroughfares which make the boast of London, and the substitution of females for men in the shops which in London deal in all the articles which belong to the fair sex, but <sup>is</sup> which exclude that sex from having any thing to do with them. So few, therefore, in Bruxelles, that second distinction adds to the gracefulness of the town, which may sometimes console one for the want of the first. Think what was <sup>was</sup> my surprise, when in the news Room frequented exclusively by Englishmen and where exclusively the English papers are kept, I found

And don't know as you know how I shall stay here

By the way - my name in Bruxelles is only M. Leonard.

Wm. P. P.











the English Secretary of that place to be an English woman. Thus the infection of other people's habits is so powerful as to be subversive of those which are inherited by an Englishman before he is born.

As this letter goes by post, I cannot allow ~~it~~ <sup>to</sup> ~~to~~ <sup>to</sup> grow though I had many curious things to tell. - The aspect of Belgium is military, and the aspect of Netherlands is military; but they are afraid of fighting: they resemble two honest men that meet accidentally at night in a back room. Each thinking the other to be a dangerous and desperate thief is afraid of attacking him, and so they stand motionless but trembling from fear, till light is brought in and they are extricated from this unpleasant situation. "Unmannered dogs" as Shakespeare calls some people ~~that~~ the Belges were so clamorous for their independence and separations, through several years they have borne an enormous tax to keep the army, and when they are on the eve of coming to hostilities they are afraid to fight, their voice for independence softens nearly subdued, and they are beginning to preach against the enormous <sup>charge</sup> ~~charge~~ they will be called <sup>on</sup> to pay in case ~~the war breaks out~~ <sup>should actually</sup> break out. Most absurd logic! they are prepared to live for twenty years and through all this time to keep an army to be ready for war rather than to have a war and to end all in one year. But fortunately the King of the Belges who is a wise man, has not allowed their courage to cool; he has called to his <sup>some</sup> British General who was our Commander-in-chief of our Army during ~~the~~ our war, a brave man among the bravest, and whose name, as the Journals have expressed it now, is "a tower of strength." - And what was the consequence of the admission of General Wynnecki into the ~~the~~ Belgian Army - ~~nothing~~ <sup>nothing</sup> than this, ~~that~~ that the obstinate King of the Netherlands has accepted the articles which he refused to accept through several successive years, and has despatched in all haste a messenger to London to announce that he had done his poor soul! he has no relish for fighting, and still he would not like to part with his prize. - But I am afraid of embarking into politics. - politics are a sea and you may err on it for years without finding its limits



So I shall touch upon some lighter matter. At Ghent, (a town as large as Amurles) I got invited to a ball at the Governor's, and I saw many beauties of that place. The most remarkable among them was one Mademoiselle Ida d'Enterghem - young, full of vivacity and excessively beautiful. It is a rare fortune to meet with one like these, and therefore I mention it.

The state of my health has undergone no change, though I inhabit the air devoid of smoke and may be purer than that of England; still I have no doubt that a sojourn on the Continent would bring on a considerable alleviation to my pains. But as life in continual pains is of no value to me I don't care how long it will last, and this indifference has made me rather careless. I owe to Doctor Gardner kindness, good-heartedness and friendship, but I owe him at the same time a part of the injury in my health, which has been produced I should think ~~by~~ through excessive work. But God forbid that I should accuse Dr. Gardner, for I know that it was always in <sup>my</sup> power to leave him whenever I pleased - but his kindness ~~had attached~~ towards me has attached me too much to him, and made me too much regardless of myself.

and pray, how is ~~of~~ Miss Appleby - is she better - I think she should, for ~~on~~ on my part, her kindness, candour and endowments of her mind, were such as to make me ~~wish~~ wish that she should, and to make me think that she ought. The whole family of Appleby are excessively amiable.

The deepest emotions of my heart arise in me, whenever I sit down to write to you - for, for a perfect stranger as I am to meet with so much kindness as I have experienced from every member of your family is more than is necessary to move a human heart and on its ~~own~~ present always in the memory - therefore allow me always to express that I stand indebted to you for more than gratitude can embrace.

Pray remember me kindly to Mr. Field, and all our friends and embrace Miss Margaret for me. ever sincerely yours,  
Leicester Hill

My dear Miss Margaret. I find only this little corner in my letter to write to you to congratulate you once more on your birthday. Grow in wisdom as you grow in years, & prepare your heart to bear the strokes of fate before they come, for they come unexpectedly, and our long life, long as it is, is constantly exposed to them. I am sorry that fate has taught you this lesson too soon, that tears have so prematurely opened their source in your bosom. But God that permits us suffer, holds in his hand consolations: happy is he on whom the grace of God descends like manna on the people in the desert. - Give my compliments to Miss Agriamne and believe me ever sincerely yours. Leicester Hill.







Rue Sainbourg Du Roule N° 25.

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Paris, the 20<sup>th</sup> May 1839. Monday.

My dear Miss Mariaum,

The gaieties of Parisian life, which are proverbial in the world, were not yet able to put out of my recollection the day on which you were born, which opportunely enough occurs in the finest month in the year and simultaneously with that of the birth of your Queen. As a proof of good memory ~~even~~ I lay claim to, I write this letter even in anticipation four days before its due time. Thus it happens that my letters of felicitation to two young sisters are forwarded at different times from two different places, one from Brussels to Miss Margaret my sunny friend, and another to yourself from Paris a seat of pleasure and all bewilderments of life. Still I had a hope and it was in my wishes to come down to Brussels on Friday and personally assist ~~at~~ the rejoicings of the place and day, but I perceive that the longer I live the farther and farther <sup>I am</sup> removed from the places which I thought not long ago not so distant. We are like a leaf of a tree thrown upon a boisterous sea - one moment cannot be the prediction of its fellow-to-day here, to-morrow there, and after to-morrow God knows where. Our wishes are a writing on the sable till the almighty gives them substance.







You are at an age already in which a married  
 young and hopeful being to form his own habits and  
 naturally enough the spirit of our life being to be  
 I cannot want to make my visitations in order  
 to be in the expression of a wish that you  
 of the great desire of your heart to always follow  
 to the satisfaction of yourself and that of those  
 you will be content with.  
 Unfortunately for me that I have always been  
 true than I want, or else I would have given  
 you at some length the description of some curious  
 I have been abroad. One thing I cannot omit to mention  
 to mention - it is the Parrot at the Great Garden  
 a Comestic Parrot (which is a Parrot) has appeared  
 only a young one of a Red Parrot of an excellent  
 form and superior to the genus. This genus has been  
 the form a wandering bird in the West to the East  
 evidence of an accomplished actor and to be  
 well. The Parrot runs and often in  
 evening Parrots are without any for exhibition  
 sometimes to more a sight of the Parrot is  
 the is but to perform the act of the Parrot is  
 the Parrot runs before the time of its opening to  
 I should advise you to buy one of these to be  
 the is a wonder and a very curious one of nature.  
 I should like very much to know how it is  
 kept. I have no thing to be - I have no thing  
 for me and believe me you will every year  
 I have no thing to be - I have no thing







25 r. fg. du Boule, Paris. 1454  
February 7 (Lutege) 1849 Friday  
noted.

My dear Miss Margaret

The year has run its race and will soon add another ring to those which <sup>encompass</sup> ~~surround~~ your tender life. Oh! I should be so happy to see that rosy child now which I beheld with so much pleasure two good years back! to see what progress her mind has made in proportion to that of the body which must have ~~of~~ very naturally (during that time) grown most luxuriantly. Every thing around us has altered since - but change has not affected my wishes which I sent you for the first time on your birthday nor those of the last year - so, <sup>that</sup> they remain the very same now. Be happy and be loved by all that is the sum of all our wishes - and so be

To set your beaming eyes a-laughing you will receive a book from me. But you must have some one to be sent for it in London - to 15 Burlington Arcade, Piccadilly at Mr Jeffs who is a bookseller. I thought proper therefore to write this letter so early in order that you may have time to get it just in time.

I shall write a longer letter to you the 12<sup>th</sup>. Meanwhile present my most respectful compliments to your mama & to your papa and to Miss Marianne and to Mr David - and all and Miss Margaret hold all over me ever sincerely yours  
Uleby, Barrow, Lincolnshire

The enclosed circular you will give if you please to your mama  
I hope you will permit me to send some presents to your mama. But don't  
forget to send me some of the 15<sup>th</sup> Burlington Arcade, London, when  
you have time to do so. I am ever your affectionate friend  
and so be



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The name  
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Paris, rue du faubourg du Roule, n<sup>o</sup> 25.  
25<sup>th</sup> May 1840

My dear Miss Mary Anne

You will find in London (15 Burlington  
Arade, Piccadilly) a book which bears your  
name and has been dispatched to welcome  
you on your birthday. You will be kind to  
give orders to Mr. Jeffs, the bookseller there,  
~~who~~ how he had to forward it to you.

Please to tell Miss Margaret ~~as she~~  
that I charge her as the youngest of the family  
to remind Mr. David constantly that I have  
asked him to find me a pointer - and which is  
destined for a friend of mine in Norway who  
will be glad to pay for it. But it must be a  
puppy.

And from time to time pray, yourself or  
Miss Margaret (for I dare not trouble with it your  
mama who was exceedingly kind towards me  
in this respect) to write to me for I begin to forget  
English - and if no one writes to me, my stock  
of English words will soon go to winds.

I write a long letter to your dear mama  
to the contents of which I must refer you.  
Give ~~greetings~~ <sup>greetings</sup> to Miss Margaret for me and  
Believe me

Miss Mary Anne Field ever sincerely Yours  
Wlady, Pawel Leonard Niedzwiecki  
Amesbury.



The first thing I did was to  
 go to the office and see  
 what was going on. I found  
 everything in a state of  
 confusion. The papers were  
 all over the place and  
 nobody seemed to know  
 what they were doing. I  
 tried to get a few things  
 straightened out but it  
 was no use. The men  
 were all so busy that  
 they didn't have time  
 to talk to me. I was  
 very disappointed. I  
 had hoped to get some  
 work done but it was  
 all so much trouble that  
 I had to give up. I  
 went home and thought  
 about it all day. I  
 was very angry with  
 myself for not being  
 able to do more. I  
 decided to go back  
 tomorrow and try to  
 get it all done. I  
 was very determined  
 to succeed this time.

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