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The continued kindness
I receive from you, dear
Mrs Lane, almost makes
my pen - move of itself -
very sensibly do I feel
the addition you sent
Mam and supe must
not be separated, from
not having the pleasure
of seeing you more than
3 or 4 visits, I cannot
bring your features to
my remembrance, but
the moment I saw Mr
Francis

There were the features
of childhood - particularly
the mouth - Most poignant
do I regret my inability
to move, but the infirmities
of age are un-mistakable.
I have not left my room
for 1 month, nor been out
since June - " It is a very
bitter trial to me, but I
pray for submission - and
now I must thank you
for your kind and
concluding offer of

Praying me a visit, my
state of health is so frail
-fully uncertain, that I
dare not anticipate a
stay - I have hitherto avoided
naming my ailments, for while I
can write no one can
quite believe all I say,
I cannot denp myself, I
am same with my right
leg, and woefully deaf.
As you so kindly interest
yourselves about me, I
like you to know I am
living with the widow of
one of my nephews - aged

and have much daily
attention - She was the
daughter of Major Welch
and is the mother of 2 little
girls - I mention these
particulars to give you
some impression of my
position - Dear Mr. Lane
when you name Nov^r 1st
the daily accounts of sad
& den deaths, come with
Power - and I mentally
exclaim, "Perhaps no longer
of this world" - I don't
feel respected friend, equal
to the exertion of seeing

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I have gradually become
a wreck of humanity -
As you purpose being in
London next week, and
will not be at Norwood
on the 29th I hope the dear
boy will be allowed to open
his letters - I do sometimes
indulge the hope my life
may be prolonged, and if
so, may it be God's will
to give me the opportunity
of personally thanking
you both, for your nu-
-merous gift, and kind
un-merited interest.

about me - I should like
to know which of your
little girls is Miss Fane
I am greatly interested about
them - How does music
get on? - Have they any
voice? May you have fine
weather while in London
Respectful regards to
Ms Fane, with grateful
thanks for your kind
interest; ever Sincerely
Yours obliged
Eleanor Man

from Addin to H. P. F. 5 Oct 1872

Tell Susan I met a lady in Smith's
who said "I hear your name was Jane
can you tell me anything of a bear with
by who I have not all trace of - who used
to be at Sewick - I used to enjoy some
hearing him say his name to Miss from
the sitting & having the conversation in
the drawing room." She was delighted to hear
all about William - She was a Miss Lambert.