

Amman
The earth
your
all
of the
1872.

Affection for me so long
known, my highly respected
friends, and loved must
indeed be awake, if I did
not offer my heart-felt
congratulations on your
great day. The Moments of
a truly wise man, says, "There
is a time to be born, and"
"a time to die" and I may
add there is an interval
between these two times
of infinite importance
and when can we better

contemplate the real value
of life, the Vanity of this
dying world, the worth
of our soul and need of
a Saviour, but, when the
cup of time brings round
the anniversary of our
Birth? it seems to concentrate
all the sorrows and
feelings of past years, uniting
them with the anticipation
of the future - speaking
alike to youth and age

Eternity will soon over-
whelm all the concerns of
Time when I meditate on
Futurity I am lost in
inexplicable thought - what
a miracle is man's life
viewed, ^{natural} ^{ally} ^{spiritually}
and ^{eternally} - from
the cradle to the grave
from the grave to the
Resurrection - Between
your last and present
visit - how mercifully
has your life been preserved

with the marked addition
of a superior Partner and
dear children - God bless that
dear boy - I shall not forget
him on the 29th and can
only regret I am not living
in London. Let me only see
that boy, and I have not
a doubt, he is yourself.
over again - all attention
Yours Aunt Michel was
very fond of you - and
now my respected friend
my sketch warns me to close
my prayers have already
been offered at the Throne
of Grace - God's