

1855 - 1872.



Letter to Mr. S. Fane & Mrs. S. M. Fane
from Miss Eleanor Man, who was Governor in
the family of General & Mrs. Michael at Sawlin
where Mr. S. Fane resided in the care of his Aunt from
1821 - to 1825 when he went to St. Bonas School at Harwell.
Miss Man sends a Silk Handkerchief, that had belonged to
his Mother, Fane, which was found the week of Mr. S. Fane in 1821
when he travelled from Don Tyrrell to Saxton -

Miss Man in June 1823 gave to Mr. S. Fane a Book of Common Prayer
matching the Bible given by his Grandmother Anne Fane (Wife of Mr. H. Fane of Paulbacke)

FANE 6/10/83

Grantham

Calcutta Seenoatho

TAME

6/10/82

Decr 28th 1855

I cannot allow the year to close
without sending you my best
wishes for the approaching 1856
which will open to us all (if allowed
Decr 28th) an unwritten page of the
glorious future, to be filled with
our deeds and testimonies indeed
every year is a solemn Division
of Time, which ought to make the
most reckful pause, and the
most thoughtful - Think - The
Year hastens from us - as We
are hastening from the world
Friends and Relations being

removed, and dying around
us - therefore as the end of all
"things is at hand be ye sober"
and watch unto Prayer - Tell me
what is our life, from the days of
childhood, through all its intermedial
stages, only one view can be taken
"all is Vanity and vexation of
spirit" - I should not suppose it
probable you feel as I do (an old
woman) but Xmas has long
ceased to be a periodical season
for rejoicing, for does it not
naturally cause retrospection
and recall to remembrance the
removal of those who once

joined with us. In our first days
of bright youthfulness, when the
heart had acquired a force of
enjoying, free from the astringent
powers of care. Can you not recalle
with me the feasting and revelry
at Dulish, and Vincent puffing
the whole strength of his lungs
into his instrument, and sending
forth tones more powerful than
blowing. Then the General sending
the awfully looking Mummies
up home which little Maates
Terre Terribly enjoyed. "But oh"
what sad changes since - all
Gone - happy hearts and
merry faces were

then congregated together, and
now I am sinking into the
extremity of decrepitude
and your mind and pursuits
affording a painful and vivid
contrast from your former
and present - Self - - -

Believe me I shall ever feel an
interest in your Welfare, and
will not close my letter without
one short sentence "Be ye also
ready" - ready in the righteousness
of another. It will always

give me sincere pleasure to
hear from you, and the feeling
would be (Sorrowful)
could I be separated from you

pen, you had given up
Dunry-Corant & co. "he that"
"is given to please me is dead"
"while he hath" - feel assured I
desire not to preach to you, but
I know you believe have your
Spiritual welfare at heart
another hint let me give you,
burn all my letters and say
not I have become your
correspondent. I have rather
no notice of the Michels. The
least said is always best.
I wish you saw the evils of the
Hanna no I did at 26
years of age, tho' I ^{was} ~~may~~ play

mad, for doubtless the Theatre
is a fascinating place to the
natural Man or woman -
Can you fancy the General
spearing at me because I would
not go to Garry Lane with your
cousins - I shall never forget how
he invented me - "fortunately
your Aunt Michel vindicated
the feeling - so it was soon amicably
arranged - you must long for
a close with every kind and
affection - wish believe me always
your attached friend
E M -

2 April 11th 1863

* I asked who he
was, she said
"Lord. Iovaine, he
lives in. Portman
Square. Miss"

I must ever feel pleasure in
hearing from you, my dear
Mr. William, and think it is
particularly kind of Mr. William
to take the trouble of writing to
me, which will of course prove
the channel of my hearing how
your little daughter gets on. I
shall never be in London, (your
are quite sure), without calling.
I fear Mr. Graham (now there is
no longer Miss Graham) will not
visit the Great City this summer.
I feel sure, should she do so.

I shall have an invitation, but
as years roll on, I feel encumbered
infirmities, which must be expected.
The conversation to which you
allude. I had with Mr. Neville
Fane; I well remember it was
in 49, and I little thought at the
time, it was to make any impression.
We can only say "Thy word never
returns void." There is the warrant
of Scripture, "May we be enabled
to remember our days that
we may apply our hearts unto
Wisdom, "all other knowledge
in comparison, is but drops

and soul. I have long felt my
mind impressed with the duty of
speaking and acting for God while
"his day" conscious that "the"
"night cometh when no man can
"work". In writing to your memory
traces many past events connected
with your early childhood, and
restores an ideal reality to scenes
which are gone for ever, they
live again in revived imagery,
and I mentally see and hear with
renewed emotions, circumstances
connected with yourself at Dulish.
There certainly was a certain
something about your manner
in church for a child

which must have been very marked
and peculiar, as the Rev woman
in Mary Le Bone church would I
never have been directed by a gentle
⁺man to ask me "who you were"
which your Michel Conins must
remember. "Nothing" made you look
off your book. I could relate much to
which gave testimony of a gracious
work having begun - and may that
Grace which shone so conspicuously
in early life have influenced and
prove you to be a vessel of Mercy
and during your future life become
the Instrument of Spiritual
Good to your family circle.
Ever yours in the best of Bonds
Eleanor Mann

you can believe I
never had the name of Joane
without thinking of you. We sat at
dinner and his friend was
sitting

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William Fane Esq
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Hyde Park,



London
Min. E. Man. Governor at Dulich 1820-1830
W. S. Z. attention - in a London Church -
FANE 6/10/80

Silk Boudoir -

May 26th

1868

Halstead

or Sevenoaks.

I cannot refrain my highly
respected and valued friend
from taking up my pen to address
you in consequence of seeing
your place of Residence men-
tioned in "The Standard" in
reference to your late Uncle's
affairs, whose premature removal
I very sensibly felt, having known
him when quite a young man
How shocked you must all have
been at receiving such melancholy
intelligence, and how to feel

that his demise should be the
channel for my obtruding on your
time, you, whom I have not seen
since 1862 - when I was introduced
to Mrs William Fane whose kind
condescension I may gratefully
felt - I cannot close my letter
without adding The Little Handkerchief
you wore round your throat
on your first arrival at Unlich
Marked with red - Pl. H. 14
which belonged to your Uncle
Sir Henry is Now in my "drame"
and should we ever meet
again, I shall have pleasure
in giving to Mrs William,

who will doubtless prize and
value it as much as I have
of course at my advanced age
80 next month, I cannot expect
to see many more years -
and who would value it
when I am no longer of this
world? ever yours Respectfully
and with many apologies
ever yours Sincerely
Eleanor Mason

May 30th Katschart
1868 W. L. Linné

I must not, dear Mrs. Lane,
begin my letter of thanks to
you with repetition as to what
I have written to Mr. Lane
relative to the number 20.
Still, some acknowledgment
is due as to your kind
invitation, which believe me
I should have sincere pleasure
to accept but for the reason
assigned - I omitted in
my last letter, referring to

I must
not begin
a 2^d sheet
but hope
for the liberty
I have given
my pen
in writing
to feel
and with
many others
believe the
best years
with me
most
pleasant
man
poor dear Mrs. Helyar's
state of health, of which believe
me I was not unimpressed
indeed, when I think of her
and Mrs. G. whom I am sure
decided invalids I feel sincerely
grieved and concerned the former
may be pronounced better, still,
I fear she inherits her Mother's
constitution, as all her symptoms
strongly remind me of Mrs.
Michels painful attacks
during the time we were
abroad - her complaint was
decidedly jaundice - I heard

from Copington a few days
ago. The Colonel much tells
wonderful to say after all he
has suffered. Mrs. Graham
not so well, after all the advice
she has had, I really do not
think her complaint is thoroughly
understood. I now feel
dear Mrs. Fane, I cannot close
my letter without expressing a
wish to know, which I hope you
will kindly attribute to the
true feeling of affectionate interest
relative to your children.
Can the Elders for her aged
pretty well? how forward
is your youngest? It will
give me sincere pleasure

to hear every particular about
them - I don't know little dears
they are healthy. I well remember
an Evening Prayer this dear
Religious Father repeated to
me - which I will copy - If I
can remember it well - There
was a simple reproach reverence
in every word, which repeated
with great gravity and deeply
seated feeling - you know he
is constitutionally (what a long
word) solid, thoughtful and
serious - should he have forgotten
the poor woman in Mary's Lane
church and Jos. & Louisa
the word serious - is heartily
applied - The Michels can vouch
for the Truth

Sir Henry James Esq. Handkerchief.
written by W. D. James when he travelled from Devon to
London in 1821 -
Oct^r 14th 1868

Will you kindly excuse my
troubling you to let me know
does Mrs. James, if the
small valuable parcel I have
just sent, arrives safe
as we have reason to think
either at Exmouth or
London, there is vigilance
as to the post when small
parcels are forwarded
I shall be truly anxious

to hear I do not feel quite
sure as to Mr. Fane's age, I
think when he arrived at
Berlin he was 6, at all
events it is more than 40.
Years ago, I dare not say
so, if I alluded to a young
Lady - The chances were very
strong that his sister was to
be placed under my care,
but Mrs. Chapman objected
to having the care of an un-
early Boy! - The little Men

The Treasure she refused—
I add the above with Smile
of heart and Not to please—
I find in my old age I am inclined
to be Romantic, for while trying
it up— I held a kind of con-
versation "Something like
Clementina when she talked
fanorfully to the Myrtle Sir
Charles Esaunder's Gift"—
Kindly present him with my
respectful regards, and
accept my Grateful and
Sincere wishes for You &

Safety! It is long since I heard
any thing of the Michael Belish
family - how kindly Sir John
has invited me to pass a few
weeks there, and truly happy
should I feel to have the
bodily power to accept the invitation.
I am completely confined to my
bed! Today is very damp -
our house is cold, from
standing alone - with apologies
for troubling on your time -
believe me, dear Mrs. Lane
Yours respectfully obliged
Charles Mann

Oct- 20th 1865

I delayed thanking you, dear Mrs
Fane, for having so kindly acknowledged
the receipt of the Neck Tie, which
with news on much have made me
appear very inattentive and remiss.
But as you so very, very kindly
mentioned the 20th Instant being
Mr. Fane's natal day which
immediately called forth many
thanks for the information, and
the intention of sending my con-
gratulations, I felt I would not
trouble you with a letter, but enclose
in my epistle to him - and now
dear Mrs. Fane I have to add
my thanks for letting me know

your intention of sending the dear
children to Mr Alexander's, only
2 miles from Sevenoaks, I have a
little plan in my head, but as all
things are so uncertain, relative to
my own State and standing I am
going to take the liberty of asking
you to let me know the day you
intend them to leave London, and
as far as you can promise, how
long are they likely to remain at
Mr Alexander's. I have a few
purchases to make at Sevenoaks
and the last week in this month
must go to the S. Bank to change
a B N Bill, tho' of course I could
go the beginning of Nov^r not

being tied to time - My head quarters
are at "The Crown Hotel" - and
if your children could meet me
there, it would give me the greatest
pleasure to see them; tho' I feel
while writing - I must be prudent
and not lay myself up for the
winter - This is the plan I have now
in my head - Seal is about 10
miles from Flathead - How I should
like to see them - I cannot be quite
in my greeting - or they would be
frightened at my manner - I can
have a comfortable room at
the Crown just for an hour
tho I could keep them 20!!
However we have plenty of time
to arrange

I remember Miss Lewis a Flane
marmyng, but forget the name
tho' that of Alexander I know full
well - His Father I believe was an
Indian Painter - Is it possible Mr
Lane will be 52 tomorrow - he was
without exception the most perfect
boy in Temper - Manner - Sense and
Tact - Mr. Nichol saw him with
my eyes - it was beautiful to talk him
over with her - The day the General took
him off to London - for School - I
thought my heart would break - he
was so truly Loveable - and so he
is now - You will with reason
say - respectfully yours obliged
Eleanor Mar

Prayer Book 1822-

May 30th Katocthon.
1869.

I feel gratefully sensible
for your kind letter received
this morning, and as you
mention your intention of
leaving home on the 3^d of next
month, I desire to lose no
time in thanking you for the
pleasure I felt at being favored
with your hand writing.

When I read your
account of the Prayer Book
I could not help feeling how
far you exceeded me

When compared with Th. F.
Take our years into consideration
you were a young child, removing
from one school to another
and not likely to take care
of such a poor gift. I could
say Much on this Subject—
but do not intend it— (Can
it be possible you are turned
of 50? I think you were 6 when
we first met. I often look back
at our Delish days— and
feel the sad reality that
the Heads of the Flower
are no longer of this world

and soon very soon, the same
tale will be told of us. They
lived, they died and are gone
we must meet Death, Go to
Judgment and Eternity!
and I believe Heaven is a
prepared place for a
Prepared People
My highly valued and
respected friend you gave
very early evidence of being
a child of Grace - The seed
sown may have remained
dormant but it is in the
heart - My word must
return to Me - Void

I must enclose a few lines
to Mrs. Fane, who so kindly
has given me an invitation
to Norwood - take away 20
years of my life, and I should
have pleasure in accepting it
and delighted to teach your 2
dear little girls, Do you remember
Mrs. Brown's Catechism, I have the
book now - you know every
question, and answered
with feeling - I think poor
Mr. Henry Michel was jealous
and with reason - with many
thanks for your kind letter
believe me yours respectfully,
attached.
E. Mann

Feb 25th 1869.

I cannot sufficiently express
how sensibly I feel your
kind condescension, dear
Mr. Fane and desire not
to lose testimony to
acknowledge the merit of
your letter - indeed, indeed,
language is powerless to
express all I feel. Believe
me I have often thought
of you all, but felt it would
be a liberty to obtrude
on your attention, it would
appear to be talking and

advantage - you can therefore
judge how truly & sincerely
I welcomed your letter. As
you so kindly ask after
my health, I have been
confined to my room 1 month
from Influenza, which is
trying at my advanced age
but thro' mercy I feel much
better - We know Influenza
will go thro' its seasonal
stages. I am truly pleased
to hear Master Lane is so
well, I think he was better

The 26th or 27th of October
and really thought of offering
my congratulations, but then
as I thought are such, it
was not probable you
might be from home, or
out of England, dear
child. "I am so pleased Mr
James has a son, May his
early childhood resemble
that of his unblemished
Father. Whatever I may say
of him, we know, his friends
Michael can affirm to be
true, for a child, his
Religious

her actions and feelings were
of no ordinary stamp, and
what could be a greater
proof than the circumstance
at Mary La Bone church
which the Witch well remembers
Poor Molly Wells who knows
General Witch said "On
Mon' even if a mad dog ran
into our church (Witch)"
"Master James would not"
"Bridge on In ch, he is so
intert on his back" This is
word for word he wanted
his Lordship returned him
he was the most perfect way
Jesus know - with his
Silent Voice!

believe all I write, dear
Mrs. Howe, and that I am
not for a moment thinking
of pleasing you - all I know
is this, when the General
took him from me to go to
School, I painfully felt the
separation, and could not
help feeling the painful
contrast of being taken from
a happy home, to be thrown
with most probably evil
companions! and this will
be your feeling when your
dear boy is launched

among others of his own
age - - Thank you for so
kindly giving me the English
outline of his and School
rooms I can fancy most
kindly many circumstances
were given in Mr. Harris's
history - I heard Lady Michel
had made many alterations
as an advance in life, we
like all the old things, at
least I do. The General
told me I should not
know English. I heard

This man from Dublin, an
very independent report of
them all - Sumner, the Colonel's
right hand very ill, confined
to her bed, Mr. Kennedy under
the influence of a severe
cold, and the Flannery man
taken suddenly ill - Just
Mrs. Lyabram had not con-
sulted any medical adviser
but I hope she will not
delay. I believe her complaint
arises from Nerves, and
how few medical men can
administer to them, I believe

Medicated baths are the
only safe remedy I keep
to offer my best wishes for
this season of the year at
united to respectful regards
to Mr. Fane. May God bless
rest on you and yours
and may you be both permitted
to see your children's children
May give Master Fane
a loving kiss from your
Gratefully obliged.
As he grows
older, his Gleason Man
love for his Mother's will //
Daily increase

Leeds 5th
1870

I very sensibly feel your
condescension dear Mrs. Fane,
in so kindly letting me hear
from you, and begs offer
my grateful thanks for your
letter, believe me, I have often
felt a strong desire to take
up my pen to you, but always
felt it would be a liberty
to intrude my enquiries -
I really did not forget Master
Fane Octob. 29th and busily
pleased do I feel to hear
he is growing up a dear
little boy - with his kind

backward in talking, there
is no rule, I have known
a child not able to articulate
till 3 years and a 1/2 and
she was a favorite Eve!"
I shall ever feel interested about
your children, you are fortunate
in being able to procure in the
Country a daily Gazette.
Kindly continue your report
and let me hear if you are
satisfied with her instruction.
I can scarcely believe you
have been married 9 years
does Miss Fane get on with
her music? - has she any

in her it - and does she
give token of a Voice, as
you kindly tell me, she sings
Hymns - May they both receive
instruction with an anxious
teachable mind - I think Mrs
Steward's work explaining
the church Catechism was a
powerful incentive as to re-
ligious teaching on Mr. Jane's
mind, when a child, it was
written in India, and under
false names the stories are
true, Mrs. S. enters spiritually
into our all breaking the 10th
Commandments - Master Jane
when he works early in the
Morning, Martha told me

had his Bible and Mrs Brown
under his pillow. Should you
think fit to procure the book
you will know who I mean
She is the God-mother. I cannot
close my letter without noting
how curious it was that Lady
Louisa Percy should be under
the same roof with the identical
little boy, the reverence of
whose manners in church
should have been so conspicuous
that he had been noticed.
Truly his cousins must
well remember it - I could
now fill a sheet with his pranks
Extremes - his remarks

his speech to Sir Henry and
 his Uncle G. Michael, in short
 they are green in my memory
 and when he was taken from
 me to go to school, I really
 felt broken hearted, he
 was such a lovable boy
 God in His infinite mercy
 grant his beloved Son
 may be equally blessed
 We have, dear Mrs. Jane,
 to know every reason to
know, seed sown in early
 life, may lay hidden for
 years - ^{but} "My Word shall"
 not return to Me. "Void"
 God's shall and wills

are not like ours, but
positive assertions
in my old age, I know
not how to spell - God
bless you and yours
and with Respectful
regards to Mr. Lane
ever believe me your
Gratefully & Sincerely
obliged. Eleanor Man
When you mention your
daughter "Milly" I conclude
it is Millie's name
I always admired.

2 Elm Villa

April 4th Canstulton

1872

Tuesday

I hope I shall not appear to
you dear Mrs. Fane as taking
advantage of your extremely
marked and undeserved attention
by troubling you with a few
questions relative to your
dear children - I certainly
should like to hear how they
are getting on with their early
studies, if they had a Talent
for Music, which between
ourselves ^{is} a very difficult

branch of education, to teach
Music requires much patience
and perseverance, and really
when we think how many
things, poor children, have to
learn, one must at times make
every allowance - And how
does Master Lane get on?
does he take after his Father,
in attention and Solidity of
character - how I wish his
Aunt Michel were alive
for we had only 1 pair

of years. eyes between us, ~~and~~
as he and Master Henry were
nearly the same age, the
contrast was very striking -
one all animation & frivolity
the other deep in thought and
for a boy remarkably superior
I do not say so - to please!!!

Facts are stubborn things,
and the day he left me for
School, I was nearly broken
hearted! - It is as vivid
on my remembrance, as if
it happened yesterday - he
was the most lovely mined
boy I ever knew, my

Sister in Law has had 2 boys
not one to be compared
to him - I am distressed to
hear that in addition to Mrs
Graham's complaints, she
is now suffering from Influenza
I hope Mr. Helyar is with her
She, I hear, has lately parted
from her son for Jamaica
I know he was to have sailed
on Tuesday last. It must
have been a sad trouble to
her - There can be no doubt
some people have more
trouble than others, and

My poor, dear, little Miss
Charlotte is among the tried
ones. I wish Mr. Frederick
could come back soon to
England, it would be such
a comfort to have 1 child
with her. I believe Jamaica
a very trying climate, but
much depends on young
men being temperate, yet, how
few are so, for of course
the heat of the climate
comes thru, I had a nephew
who lived in Jamaica
3 years

and when he came to Hutton
could not drop himself his
hands were completely useless.
I should very much like to hear
if Master Sam knows his
letters - I ought to remember his
age, and the month in which
he was born, but the infirmities
of age will plead an excuse.
I really feel when I take up
my pen, my hand writing is
attuned, I do not write
so easily to myself as I once
did - Sometimes I feel the

dear boy was born in Cal^{by}
I know you were in London
Time travels rail road speed
the weather now is very damp
and trying - I cannot refrain
dear Mr. Fane from telling
you, the united liberal gift
I received. Greatly assisted
me in paying a Medical
Bill, as you may suppose
I am seldom without one
Oh! what a liberal gift it
was - " " and then to think
I need enclosed a few lines
of thanks. Self accusation

is very painful but what
claims can I have on such
kind friends. May the blessed
God prosper you and yours,
and may Both be spared to see
your children's children.
I have never forgotten the natal
days of all the Michels, kindly
send me Master Fannie Senior
3 Michels born in Sept 1st - 5th - 8th
with respectful regards to Mr
Lane, who I trust is well,
believe me dear Mr Lane
Yours gratefully attached
Eleanor Mann

Oct^{br} 10th Elm Villa
1872 Canthallton

I cannot express how sensibly
grateful I feel, dear Mrs
Fane, by your refined and
marked attention in having
so kindly forwarded the
photographs - to me - truly
valuable and highly prized.
As to that dear lovely
Diamond Boy, his very
looks call forth hisses
by dozens - there is intelligence
in his countenance - now
I would pronounce on his
character - solid - attentive,
knows every thing that

is going on - of course, dear
Mrs Lane, when writing
to a Mother, you say things
to please - but I can only
add, while looking at the
likenesses, Mrs. Mann said
"What pretty children"
I admire the expression
of Miss Grace's countenance
certainly very pretty. Miss
Mellie is of a more sober
cast. Well so I remember
Mrs. Fabyan asking me if
I thought her first born

good looking - "Certainly"
"Not" was my answer -
I really think your children
so nice looking, and I should
like them all if under
your roof on a visit -
may you and yours
dear Mrs. Jane, bring forth
fruit unto God by Grace
Here, and Glory for ever
I feel extremely obliged
by your kind condensation
in entering so fully as to
School room discipline
you are fortunate in having
a French lady for a

Southwell to instruct your
children 3 times a week
and an English Lady
It will give me great
pleasure to hear you are
settled with a Governess
I appear forgetful of Mr.
Fane, but truly grateful do
I feel that he has recovered
from the effects of his accident
May it be God's will, that
you both may be spared
to see your children's
children - With respectful
and grateful regards
ever believe me your sensibly
obliged - Eleanor Mann

1872.
Affection for me so long
known, my highly respected
friend, and loved, must
indeed be asked, 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
curse of time brings round
the anniversary of our
Birth? it seems to concentrate
all the experience and
feelings of past years, uniting
them with the anticipation
of the future - speaking
alike to youth and age

Expiry 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, naturally, spiritually
and Eternally - "from
the cradle to the grave
from the grave to the
Resurrection - Between
your last and present
situation - how marvellously
has your life been preserved

with the marked addition
of a Superior Partner and
dear children - God bless that
dear boy ^{III} 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 sleek wares me to close
my prayers have already
been offered at the Throne
of Grace - God's

Octbr 21st 1872

Birthday of W. S. F.
born 1816.

As I cannot remember
the year Mr Fane arrived
in England, so as to feel
assured of his age today,
I think he went to Dulich
in 1822 - if so, it makes
him 55 - which I cannot
believe - "How delightful
I was to be enabled to
cherish every holy emotion
I saw the choice of his
man, and as I was
to cultivate the tendings

of Divine Grace - of
this we have warrant
from Scripture - "Sow
the seed, as it in God's
time it will bring forth
fruit to perfection -
My waiting thoughts were
as a threshing sickle. I do not
feel my affections chilled
by the freezing influence
of 3 Decr. week 20, my
feelings are still as
before and glowing

towards "Master June"
as when in his childhood
there was in him so much
development of Heart
with a grateful sense
of your refined and kind
consideration, believe me
very sensibly your
Gratefully attached
Elemer Mann.

Oct^r 23^d 1872

The continued kindness
I receive from you, dear
Mrs Lane, almost makes
my home - move of itself -
very sensibly as I feel
the addition you sent
I am an orphan 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
Lane's

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

paying me a visit, my
state of health is so frail
-fully uncertain, that I
dare not anticipate a
day - I have hitherto avoided
naming my ailments, for while I
can write no one can
quite believe all I say,
I cannot drop myself, I
am lame 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
30 -

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 in-
= sufficient 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
Mr Fane, with grateful
thanks for your kind
interest; ever Sincerely
Yours obliged
Eleanor Marx

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

Tell Susan I met a lady in Smithkin
who said. "I hear your name was Jane
can you tell me anything of a dear little
boy who I have lost all trace of - who used
to be at Jewish - I used to enjoy him
hearing him say his lessons & bring home
the sitting & having the conversation in
the drawing room." She was delighted to hear
all about William - She was a Miss Lambert.