

the Expense -

This is all the News I ^{can} send you
about matters ^{in which you can} have any interest - If
I could send you anything about the Parkers
I would so - We are pretty well at home.

With kind regards to your husband, and
- what? - must it be kind regards only? - to
yourself - I beg you to believe me
(altho' you always evaded my calls at The Bedford)

Very truly yours

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My dear Mrs. Foster,

I ought to have answered your kind
letter before - but I have several excuses,
independent of my rheumatism, which generally
disables me from writing much beyond my name.

I hear that Mr. Foster has a cold, but that
you are much better - that you are very frisky
& young - & go out in boats & fish for whales -
Is it so? The fishing part of the story wants
confirmation - but the fact of your being charming
& well I devoutly believe.

I and Eschels are here - but the rest
are idling in the Country - visiting Asplem
& workhouse & drinking in the healthy air.
Trilker & Luntards at Plymouth - Campbell & Naime

at Manchester, I believe. Wilkes says
that Dr. Naime looked very much shaken till,
when he last saw him.

We have left our sunny Brighton for the
cloudy City. My wife & Edith were at the
Exhibition yesterday & report that it was very
~~cold~~ ^{wet} & chilly.

Tell Mr. Forster that Hans Browning and
Bozell left Sunday - Browning looking well &
getting fatter - Bozell poorly - he was to
sail the next day to Gibraltar - He goes with the
Misses Codrington the daughters of the Governor.
The stater himself to be completely done up,
& incapable of proceeding even with the pictures
on hand. He returns thro' Italy, & expects to
be absent for six months.

I met Sir Edw. Lytton, about a week ago, in
Great Russell Street. He said that he had just come
from Nice to which place he ^{was then} about to return. He
looks wizened & old - & rather like an ancient
dandy. I said, "I believe your son is coming
to England about Xmas". His reply was "So I
have heard." This was very parliamentary.

My daughter is still at Malvern - better - but
too much fluctuating I think - between well & ill - to
be quite in a satisfactory state. The Goldsmids are
in Italy & will not return, I believe, till February.

The Jamies have had their house done up
regardless of expense - and I have been
imperturbed into spending 12th of the year some
new windows in my dining room. I believe that
I ought to come upon your pin money for this - as
your praisers of the two-pane windows contributed to