

Jan 24 - 1906 .

14, BELVEDERE GROVE,

WIMBLEDON HILL,

S. W.

My dearest Katie

This has certainly been
much the worst treatment
I have ever bestowed on you,
& I feel that your patience
with me will certainly be
at an end now. To think
you have been away
now for over two months
& that I have never written
is just terrible, & looks as
if we had forgotten you
altogether, but do believe
dear Katie that is not the

case - we wish constantly
speak of you. Christopher etc. Do (if you can forgive
us, for "Katie Bell's ball" we) write & tell me
is in constant use, & all about your life. Do
he generally calls the room you live with the lady, &
you were in "Katie Bell's" is she nice? I do hope
room" maybe a good many you are happy in your
others have had it since work.
you. He remembers you Many thanks for the
perfectly, this parents often sent me at Christmas
wonder how you are it is so natty & so neatly
getting on in your new wish like yourself.
work. I do hope it is It is on my writing table
congenial work, & that in the drawing room 72

find it constantly
useful.

I have felt rather over-
burdened all this winter
with work, & up to now
really never seemed to
have a free moment.
& all my letter writing got
hopelessly behind. Mr.
Moody Stuart my great
helper has been ill all
winter & I am terribly
stranded without her, & it
looks at present as if
she wd. never be able
to much outside work

again.

Had a delightful little

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visit from WIMBLEDON HILL,

S.W.

Jessie for one night last week.
It was most delightful to get
hold of her for we had not met
since her change of home. She
was commenting that you & she
have never met since her
marriage which I did not know.
They are all so happy & healthy
at this new place.

Minnie has let Dunreagan
from May to December! She had
this offer & we all thought she
ought not to refuse it. The youths
have been quite a success
but she & D. not have there
after May in any case. &
this is good for establishing
the character of Dunreagan
again. I wonder if you read

What poor old Mr. McAllister
died very suddenly in
midst of all the wedding
preparations, but Jessie did
not postpone her marriage & is
now Mr. W. or Peterson.

Abba has made great advance
in all directions even since
you saw him. He has had one
pretty bad cold, but otherwise has
been splendidly well.

We are all in great political
excitement at present of course.
Babe turned to W. Gladstone the
other day & said "Bad man.
Katie Bell said that". So your
words of wisdom are not forgotten.
Truman of course is tremendously
uplifted. Our poll is 2 days, but it
is not thought possible to oust the Conser-
vative here. How much love dear
Katie & do write soon to me &
give me all your news. Your very
affectionate Christina Macneil