

Precious Father's last letter
written 2 weeks to the day
on which he so suddenly
passed away —

M. 19/35

(3/10/84)

Dear Mrs S A Stevens

I should be be very
glad if you would appoint
my son Thomas Bourne
rather as ~~co~~ executor as
life^{is} uncertain and I may die
at any moment & I feel
prepared at any moment
I may be called away for I
continually ~~live~~ in a state
of preparedness for death
at any moment I may be

called away so that I have
no fear of death at any
moment for all I fear
is a state of unprepared-
ness which I deprecate very
much so that in whatever
state I am there with to
be content so that I may
be prepared for all events
and consequently have no
fear of death at any
moment but am quite

prepared if death should call
me away suddenly as I feel
safe at any moment I may
be called away for I live
in a state prepared at any
moment for I do not fear
death whenever I may be
called away

Yours very sincerely

& Respectfully

Richard Mather