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KLINGENDER, CHARSLY
& DICKSON.

Bank Place.

Melbourne 23 May 1879

Dear Andrew

I have only time to
write a few lines & excuse
myself on the grounds of
pressure of business and my
present somewhat uncomfortable
surroundings. I am staying at
the Yarra Hotel in Flinders St
until I get lodgings (ugh!)
at St. Kilda.

We had a speedy but
somewhat rough trip across &
reached Melbourne in 23 hours ^{on Saturday}.
I turned up early at the office

where I found nearly Everything
in Confusion & large arrears &
Receipts of work awaiting me -
I shall have a double
allowance of work for some
days & nights before I get through
in working trim & this, added to
the fact of the oppressive weather,
accruals for my present sickly
frame of mind - Shall I go in here
for a little A. S. G. - No, I refrain
for I think I see the paternal
frown arising, &c, with a sigh,
I subside into resignation -

I have written to Dodds
& I dare say you will hear
from him - Matters remain in the
same state as far as Pat
negotiation is concerned, - I await

your wishes & the course of
Events.

Remembers me, ^{affectionately},
to William & Jory (thanks to the
forms for newspaper) and presents
my best & most grateful regards
to Mr. Clark & ^{lovely} "Bubbly Cubs"
check for me - Heigh ho!

I mean to try & get over
my despondency & settle down to
another year of unremitting labor
& do what is possible under the
circumstances. This is a big coast:-

'Tis not in mortals to command success,
But we'll do more, Imperious, will deserve it,

I must thank you warmly
again & again for the affection
you have so often shown me & for
the happy hours I spent in
your delightful home - I often

Think of that most charming
break in what was otherwise
a somewhat dispiriting holiday
tour. Believe me I will
Ever honestly strive to merit
the place I hold in your regard.
When I get leisure I'll
send you some legal queries—
One of the actions we are going
to try in February turns on the
power of an Agent or Factor
to sell or pledge his principal's
goods for his (factor's) debt.
Has the question ever come before
you—When writing Cesare to ask me
for any information you desire.
Reply soon. Believe me to
Ever your affectionate friend
A. J. Clark Esq. W. Hill