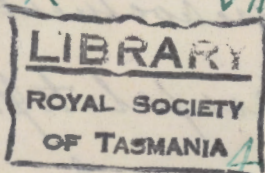


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My dear Annie

I regret to say it is a long
time since I did myself the
pleasure of writing to you, but I
have heard of you and yours
very often from my dear Sister
at the Hunting Ground.

I have just heard of the death of
your dear little daughter Florence.

and I now offer you my sincere
sympathy in your bereavement.
It is at all times painful to part
with those we love, but when we
see them suffering severely, and
are not able to alleviate their
sufferings, we ought to feel thankful
to the Almighty when they are
released from them, especially
when we know they have gone to
be with Jesus. This is, I feel
assured, ~~is~~ the happy experience of
you and your dear Husband.
You have much to be thankful for,

All your other dear little ones are
sprung to you in good health,
and I trust they may be great
comforts to you hereafter. I am
sorry to hear that your dear Papa
is still an Invalid, perhaps the
change to Geelong may quite re-
store him to his former health
and strength. I sincerely sym-
pathise with your dear Mama
in her present state of anxiety.
We are building a new Church in
the Grange, the "Chalmers' Memorial"
Church, and have been so fortunate

as to obtain for our Pastor, the well
known writer and sacred Poet
Dr. Horatius Bonar. We like
him much, and I trust he
may be able to do a great deal of
good in this neighbourhood.

The climate of Edinburgh agrees
well with my sisters and me, and
I very much enjoy a walk on the heath
snow. My sisters send their kind
remembrances to you and Mr. Archer.

And with my kind love to yourself
& your dear little flock, and very
kind regards to your Husband

I am my dear Annie

Your Affec. Aunt

Jane D. Clark