

Vive l'empereur Cordiale: All the family are excited over it. Please excuse the quibble $\frac{1}{2}$ sheet. I am writing in bed. I took the adjacent to hand. I am not ill but lying low awhile.

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Wishes of me
dearest. And
of our friend
Heather

Love
from
P.S. Bidwell
and
family

My dearest Mary

I was so pleased to have your nice long letter last mail, & mean to write you a good sized very soon. I had a very nice letter from Joe Healter day, how very cheering; it has been for them, but hope all is well now - they happily married. You must miss her horribly.

I saw the book The Saint Healter day but only had time to glance at it, I am going to read it & tell you how I like it. Have you read The Education of an Artist by

Hind, it is so charming about Staley & Paris - all
the pictures we like - has heaps of lovely reproductions
of pictures in it. It's not new, but I happened
to light on it the other day. I am sending
you a p.c. I had taken in Reading the day
I left; some of them think it's good. I think
the expression too "die-away". I had just been
giggling & heartily pulled my features together
at the critical moment - also I was tired out
after many exams!

What do you think? My bronze relief, the
portrait of myself, is accepted for New Salon
(Beaux Arts) I got the letter yesterday
signed by Rodin!! It was quite a sudden
idea to send it in, as it was checked by
BA last year. Lambert said it was much more
suitable for Salon, so this year I sent it to
Dicksee to send in. but never thought it would
really get in: is it lovely? I have sent
a small medal of Kit to BA. but now I shall
mourn if they check it, as Salon is much more of an
honour, especially for relief, that you think so?