

My dear Husband

I wrote you a hasty letter but I was in a hurry to get ready for Wm to take the letter, as he was going to take Mr & Mrs Hector & in the carriage to Mr Jones - All was received cordially by Mr & Mrs W. Wm said Mr Worne was particularly kind to him, I think I forgot to tell you Sarah & myself were very kindly received when we paid our visit there, I should be sorry to give up their acquaintance & we were invited there to dine but we excused ourselves as Mr & Mrs Marriott are coming to-morrow - I got your letter by Mrs Allison last evening she had taken the carriage to Campbell town to meet her son - I hope Mr Allison is better in violent Dearrhea I think mutton net boiled in milk an excellent remedy & to drink rice water a small quantity of rice boiled ^{well} in water with or without a little cinnamon strained

I drank plentifully -
The woman servant returned with
word from Campbelltown first impressions
are not ~~at all~~ very favorable toward
these poor prisoner women but I think
she will serve my purpose - Old
Mary has just come in the parlour
to tell me she thinks she will
turn out well; get a man if you can
& when you can but do not give too
high wages & ascertain if you if he
is competent to do what he professes
- I hope if you see Mrs. Threlkeld you
will apologize for my not calling
on my return home, have you lost
my measure for the bidet, I repeat it
that you may see about it before you
leave I thought of it when in Hobart
town but really shopping is such a
fatigue that I must ~~really~~ ^{rather} abandon it
on take a very long time over it, the
fatigue of travelling is not an obstacle
to me & if it were not for the expense
as you observe I could take a journey
much oftener than I do - the moment
I get in the carriage I feel quite full

of elasticity & a fine puff ^{of} air seems
quite to dissipate the cares of life
I hope you will see Mr Gifford before
you leave & you had better see
Watchhorn I got the things all right
by Mr Jackson - I have little to tell
you having been little out lately
I mean to make a few visits when
there servant leave me & have pro
mised Mr Necton on her return to show
her a little more of our neighbour
hood she also brought a letter from
Mr Wright which I will enclose that
you may answer it before she returns
to Adclaide - I am writing by candle
light in spectacles but find it very
dazzling to the eyes - Arthur had a
very fine shower of rain on Saturday
evening which passed us by that every
thing about us is quite white - do
not forget Arthur's paper he seems
much pleased with his improvements
says his crop ^{of wheat} very fine - two men
who ^{went} from here to the diggings - Wedger
the Sadler & a shoemaker were waiting
with the expence of a horse &

a. Melbourn ~~do~~ idle themselves
it not being desirable to proceed the
digging at present Mr. said there is a
fly that almost blinds them when
seeking for the gold - Doomer
went away a few days ago taking
2 hundred pounds with him
leaving Olive her little shop
& household goods but no money
she fears he will not put it ~~into~~
^{my bank} but perhaps fritter it all away I
think his & his wife's industry will
have proved more profitable than
the uncertain gold digging -
I have just had my line mached
into the parlour with a clean face
& without a bonnet much more
personable than at first sight she
tells me she can read & write
has reached the rule of three
so far good - Good night
you have not said what wages
the girl was to have it is not
in her grasp