Darlinghurst – May 22nd

My dearest William,

I have only time to write a few hasty lines today. As I am so busy preparing for the Sale at the School on Thursday – & also for the Ball on Wednesday – Jessie & I are going, & Mr & Mrs E. Campbell go with us; it is to take place at the new Govt House – he cannot persuade Emily to accompany us, tho I am happy to say she is a great deal better. At times, when he are alone. is quite herself again, but she does not like to go into Company at present – I think perhaps she will go to the Sale – I must leave this unpleasant subject now, to talk it over with you at some future time, for I am quite tired of writing about it, having been obliged to invent it in writing

to Grandmama & Louisa Macquoid — it was Emily's turn to write to Louisa but of course she felt unequal to it just now, so I wrote her a little volume by the Caledonia ok sailed yesterday — I suppose I must also mention it to my Cousin Emma (Mrs Feazer) when I write; I think I forgot to tell you that we had heard of her marriage — L. Macquoid mentions in her letter that she had seen my Cousin's marriage in a newspaper — & since that, my Uncle has sent us a Canterbury paper, containing the following announcement — "On 4th at St Peters church, Canterbury, T. H. Feazer Esqr of Gloucester Crescent, Regents Park, London, to Emma, daughter of the Revd F. P. Fearnes, Rector of St Peters, Canterbury." We have also seen it in a London paper, so that I must as soon as I can, send Emma a congratulatory letter — We have no letters, & therefore cannot tell why it took place so much sooner than my Uncle had given us reason to suppose it would. With respect to what you say about writing to Papa, I think he gave you an answer when you were here — & that if a Church was in a fair way of erection, & such arrangements had been made, as would entitle the people in your neighbourhood to a Clergyman, he would then do what you wish — & there would be no further difficulty — but till these things are settled, you know very well that he will not consent to it if however this difficulty was removed (as I trust it shortly will be) of course, I should acquiesce in any arrangement that you & my dear Papa made — This is his birthday & dear Emily's — Pray write soon, & believe me to be my dear Williamy's most affectly

W. F. Broughton —

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