

Preston Station, Oct. 28, 1864

2.40 p.m.

My dear Mamma,

I got all packed on Saturday night
and on Sunday took tea before church
with Swissey and after church
went with him by invitation to
supper at Hayes' where were also
Mrs & Mrs Bowmer. They all ^{seem}
to be the better of their Swiss tour.
I got the P.O. order this morning
but the advices not having arrived
could not cash it and shall ^{have} some
delay in Glasgow to ^{get} it transferred.
This morning I left Loughbridge
by the nice train, with Bob
who had come down by first train
to get Jesse's traps. At Sutton

very sorry to have CB Dale and
all its associations of 16 months
standing. The only person it
much troubles me to leave is
~~Wesley~~ Wesley, though of
course I am sorry to leave
the rest. I shall most likely
be with Blair till Christmas
if not longer. J.F. is very
glad to get rid of Jesselyn
and me just now, but I don't
think he likes the idea of
parting finally with either of
us. We are just at Lancaster
now & I shall try and post
this at Carlisle
your affectionate son
Francis E. Prendergast