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My dearest Mrs. Hill

I recommend to you
the bearer of this, (Arthur
Hugh Clough - editor of
Plutarch - husband of a
cousin of mine - employed
in the Education Office -
which he is said to have put to rights -
ordered abroad for his
health - wife cannot go
with him, because there is
a little reason about to
be born.)

I don't say, "I hope the

pleasure of the acquaintance
will be mutual," though
I think it will. But I
say, I throw him on your
tender mercies.

His is a very valuable
life to save - or I would
not ask you - He is one of
the best and ablest men
I know -

He is, I am told, one
of the best clergies in England.
which will suit Mr. Hill -
And he was considered during
so many years he was Fellow
& Tutor at Oxford one of the
ablest men there.

He has been resident in your
United States - for which he has,
though so silent a man, a
passionate interest. No one
would suspect under his cool
exterior the curious things this
passion of interest will make
him do! He chose to remain
in Rome all through its siege
in 1848.

His disease is - having
exhausted all his vital force
by drawing too much upon ^{the nervous energy in himself} the
- his fear is, irritation or
congestion of the Brain - the
remedy is, I see, I hear, to
move about - outward impressions,
in short. But then he is
very likely to overdo it in a

Country, which will interest
all his classic associations.

And no one but yourself
and Mr. Hill will be able
to tell him what to do and
what not to do - & put him in safe hands
for the purpose. I come to you, as I have

always done, as a beggar -
A general of Frederic the Great
prayed to God "that, if He
would spare his daughter's life,
he never would pray to Him
again". You see, I don't
do this to you - I'm auld lang
syne -

Ever yours overflowing
Florence Nightingale

*He ought not to make any fatiguing expeditions;
and would be very likely to get Fever, Coup
de soleil or Diarrhoea

Forwarded by A. D. Clough Esq.

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Mr. Hill

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