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My Dear Mrs Hill

Perhaps you will be a little surprised at the receipt of these few lines from an old acquaintance, but the delightful interviews I am now permitted to enjoy with our dear Frederica, and the warm interest I shall ever feel towards every member of your dear Father's family prompts me at this season to offer for your personal some expression of congratulation for the recovery of your dear Husband from his late dangerous illness, and of my sincere sympathy during that season of trial when we knew not what God in His Providence design-

me - what sweet communion
we have - how the feelings and
affections of former years are more
deeply riveted by the deprivation
and death of early near and dear
relatives and friends - and how
with united voices we can say
from our hearts 'Thy will be done on
Earth'. I will trespass no longer on
your time than to add my renewed
expression of joy for Mr Hill's recov-
ery - and my kind regards and love
to him - and for myself that you
will always think of me as one
who will ever remember you
with feelings of much love and
affection.

Affectionately yours
Jane Washell

and for the sorrows of your heart
in the praise and thanksgivings of your
soul.

Many - many years have passed
since you and I have met, but in
the retrospect how short appears the
space of time - and during which
altho' I have passed through many
cares - anxieties and deep - deep - sor-
rows - God's mercies have been very many -
and I can truly add

"In each event of Life how dear
His ruling hand I see." That
you join me in this sentiment I
know full well - and my hope is
that the Faith which dwelleth in you
will increase that store of earthly
happiness which the recovery of Mr
Gill's health will enable you richly
to enjoy. I cannot express fully to
you how very dear our Faith is to