

est sights I ever witnessed or ever
expect to witness. I am only sur-
prised that more do not go to see
it. We passed in rapid succession
through Vienna, Prague, a delightful
old place - Dresden - Saxon Switzer-
land, and Berlin. At Berlin I
found Jan Benschoten, and with
him I spent three pleasant days.
At Berlin I was afraid I was
to have a bilious attack, but I
kept perfectly quiet one day, and
I soon recovered. Mr. Sweetland
desired to be very kindly remembered
to you all whenever I should write
you. We got on very well together.
We met no American travellers,
but between Berlin & this, I fell
in with numbers of English.

What a place this London is -
I have almost walked my eyes
off already although I have only
been here two days. I have been
revelling to-day in the British
Museum, particularly among
the Elgin sculptures and the
Minoan rooms. I spent last
evening at Mrs. Gurnis, and may
wonder the questions I had to answer.

work of art has been very much admired,
with particular regards to Mrs. Hill, Mrs. Mason,
Miss Balwin, & the rest of your family and so
about you all. What a nice
little fellow Sidney is - I imme-
diately began talking to him in
Greek, and he chided in beau-
tifully. I looked at the comet
through Stamford Green's telescope,
which I had heard a good deal
of. You will read accounts of the
awful fire that has taken place
near London Bridge - it is still
burning - I saw great columns
of smoke rising in the direction
of the river this afternoon. The
death of Mr. Braidwood is very
much lamented.

Many thanks for forward-
ing that letter to Mr. Andrew,
my dear Dr. Hill, I must tell
you what a misfortune has
happened to me. I cannot
comprehend it. If you could
have seen me yesterday morn-
ing when I had completed
buying my boys of their
contents and not finding what
I was looking for, I have no
doubt my appearance would
have been well to mind Carry

when he appeared before you
the other day and announced
that he had lost the letter you
had given him. What will you
say. Dr. Hill, when I tell you
that I am in a similar predic-
ament. That letter of introduc-
tion to Mr. Braeburn which you
so kindly gave me is missing;
how it has been lost is a perfect
mystery to me; I was quite
confident that I had put it into
my portfolio where I had put
all my papers, and which I had
not touched till yesterday morn-
ing, when to my utter dismay,
on looking for it I could not
find it. I do not know what
you will think of me for losing
the letter. Indeed I scarcely
know how to excuse myself at
all, nor can I comprehend how
or where it was lost. I am very
very sorry, Dr. Hill, and I do
hope that you will forgive me.
I'll try and not do it again,
as the schoolboy says. —

And how are you all?
What weather have you? Here
the weather is perfectly delight-