

"Meramar"

Carnoustie 27th July 1913

Dear Gabrielle,

I have your Post
card of 23rd, with addition of
a few lines from Willy, for
which, many thanks.

With regard to May's eyes, there
is no improvement so far,
altho' I am glad to say, they
are not getting any worse,
which is a consideration at
least.

Now that you are very kind,
and willing to help your
poor relations, altho' perhaps
rather mean of me, I am to
take advantage and hit the
iron while it is hot; if you
really wish to do me and
your sister a good turn

it would be for you and your husband to lay your heads together and try to think of some work for me to do in Rio. I know you will say it is not Easy and I acknowledge you are right, but there is no use giving you Easy things to do, it would be no credit to you but with the high position you hold out there it may not be so difficult a matter as it might appear. If you wish to really help us, that is the help we most require!—

I do not ask this to be done at once but on your return to Brazil you might give us a thought now & again.

My dear Sir,
I have your letter of 23rd with addition of a few lines from Wally, for which, many thanks.
With regard to Mary's eyes, there is no improvement as far as I am glad to say they are not getting any worse, which is a considerable relief.
Now that you are over kind and willing to help poor poor relations, perhaps rather more of me, I am to take advantage and tell the even while it is hot, if you really wish to do me and your sister a good turn.

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It would be for you and your husband to say your heads together and say to them of some work for me to do in this. I know you will say it is not easy and I acknowledge good are right but there is no use giving your head things to do, it would be the right to give but with the right position you have and then it may not be so difficult as to write as it might appear. If you want to really help us that is the best we must require.
I do not ask this to be done at once but on your return to Bristol you might give us a thought when you return.

Now Gabi, I have been frank
with you and I hope that
you won't be angry with me
for being so, your late
husband George had strongly
advised me not to leave
him, but all are liable to
mistakes, and I thought, at
the time, I was doing it for
the best on account of my
health.

With kindest regards to
yourself and Willy, in
which May joins

I remain
your affectionate
J. Ritchie

Dear Sir, I have been thinking
with you and I hope that
you would be angry with me
for being so late
in sending you my letter
but we are all so busy
mistakes and I thought of
the time I was doing it for
the best or account of my
health. With kindest regards to
yourself and Miss. W.
I am, Sir, your obedient servant
J. M. W. Turner