

Homer June 14th, 87

Mr & Mrs Youcye

Dear friends

Perhaps you

have not heard the awful
news that my dear Husband
was killed May 30th at
Carlton by the explosion
of a boiler at the shop
where he was working
he lived to be brought
home and nearly one
hour after in dread full
agonny. one of his limbs

was broken twice in ~~the~~
the other once one arm
broken and thigh crushed
and he was scalded
badly beside. he was
my patient and made
a prayer and spoke to
me. Oh! it seems so
hard. and though and
sudden it seems more
than I can bear at
times he was a kind
noble man, and all in
you. know I own my
share in my affections
and he was my all.

I have not decided
what I shall do I have
a place here a home,
Crew, my, and children.

I should like to stay
here but cannot as I have
no one to help me. my
father is here for a little
while, and Hill's father's
widow, hoping I have
not troubled you too
as ever your sincere
friend

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