Dear Friends

I have too long delayed sending my own & Miss Me[illegible] subs. for the Basis. I was delighted to see it - I had hungered for it. It began to reach me the day my mother died - ~~was~~ & seemed to come like a message of hope. a something to keep me in touch with the living - the world of the living! It came nevertheless at a time when careful reading of it has been quite impossible - so I glance at each & have to store it - hoping soon to reenter once more in the thick of the fight. Our dear Uncle still lingers on the verge of death. Their sorrows & cares are ours too so that we feel still in somewhat painful circumstances. I wanted to say but paper fails: how grieved I was & how anxious at learning of the further illness. Yet you have many anxieties & cares & sorrows to contend with or submit to. - Tell

with zeal upon [illegible] work. Shortly since the[illegible] mother's habitation was removed from our sight & touch - we have had so much to occupy - of a family & domestic & business ~~[illegible]~~ character, that though we have worked early & late, almost unceasingly we have not restored things to order. for the apple season (a very abundant one this year) almost ~~entirely~~ occupies my sister & I might almost say engulfs her - & ordinary duties - social & domestic - now that there are but the two of us - come to me. I could heartily enjoy them if I could close my heart

& the "great causes" which seem to me so infinitely more important. I long to live in a simpler way - & that the house was smaller - for my powers are not what they were - I can't do much & the little I do ~~so~~ is so slowly done that it wants more disengaged ~~time~~ than I can as yet at all clearly see my way to. The parties who so bitterly spurned my ~~[illegible]~~ fellowship in the Society I had founded are doing good work - are making sacrifices for it & influencing a growing circle to think on these questions. The Anti Lynching

Your sister Miss E. [illegible] always use the [illegible] ring for my serviette - & daily am reminded [illegible]

[illegible] always yours affectionately [illegible] faithfully - C. Impey

committee too - or at any rate its brave & gifted Secretary Miss F Balgarnie - is moving heaven & earth to awaken a stronger protest from England - & she moves in a much more influential circle than I - sis a good controversial writer.
I have felt rather drooping in spirit as well as worn in body - late. We have we suppose had "La Grippe" as you call it - Otherwise feverish heavy rhumatic sort of colds - all more or less the result of exhaustion I think - consequent on several months of watching night & day nursing - But I begin these last few days to feel some promise of a return of energy & power - I long to be