

Dear Mrs Botta.

I thank you so much for the lovely little box you sent me by Ashley. It was very kind of you to think of me.

I am so fond of Malachite & was quite delighted when he gave it to me.

My Father & Ashley arrived last Sunday. Margaret &

I were of course most anxious to find them back before us, which we did not in the

least expect.

My Father has almost lost his cold. & I think he is looking so much better for his holiday. We have had the most delightful spring in Italy. I never enjoyed anything so much, or ever imagined any place could be so perfect as Florence.

We cannot help think

ing it so much ~~for~~ beautiful than Rome. though we were not there nearly as long.

Thank you again very much - I Believe me.

Yours affly

Mary Froude

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May 23.