

London 24 July 1860

My dear Mrs. Fields

I only received your note
last evening on my return
from a my short visit to Paris
in company with Mr. Bemock.
He had a young friend with him,
and I had my boy. We
could only go into the fragments
of Babylon to a limited extent,
spending the greater part of
Sunday afternoon at Pere La
Chaise, - reading the monumental
inscriptions of the great & the
little sepulchres, but most of all

Samuel Smiles

London the 1st of July 1800

My dear Mother
I have just received your kind letter of the 26th and was glad to hear from you and to hear that you were all well. I am well at present and hope these few lines will find you all the same. I have not much news to write at present. I am still at school and have not much time to spare. I have been thinking of writing to you more often but have not had time. I have been thinking of writing to you more often but have not had time. I have been thinking of writing to you more often but have not had time.

touched by the crowded graves of the poor, & the immortelles with which the wooden frames surrounded them were hung. The Mosque with its gratings ^{full} of exhausted pleasure-hunters was also a notable sight. The weather's head at that feast. My wife is very well, and all the family pretty jolly. Our eldest girl, at school in Godolphin, has got a prize (in Latin yesterday) for good conduct, which is more than if she had taken in for mathematics or Greek.

Believe me my dear Mother
Yours sincerely
Samuel Smiles

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