

written touching her conduct, I have bidden
her good night, and sat down to devote a sheet
of her paper to your service.

I am very curious about your noble authoress
- up and her poem. Tell me the title of that
which is to appear in Bentley's Miscellany
when and how you write. I also should like to
know which of the queen's ladies is sister
to Lord Thimess, and whether she was one
of the bevy of beauties whom I saw in the
Abbey occupy a box at the corner of the
Queen's transept; a very favourable spot
for flirtations entre nous! These ladies
all wore white roses and trains of watchet
blue satin and made a lovely group.

Thank you much dear Mary for introducing
the circular to Lord Thimess. I feel greatly obliged
to his lordship for his great kindness in sending
it to the dearest Lady Thimess.

Lady Stradbroke has kindly sent her proxy
for George Dary, and recommended him
for votes I believe to many others.

If you see "Friendship's Offering" be sure
and read my tale "The Cohens," for love
of me. The second volume of the Queen
is nearly printed, and all the embellish-
ments engraved. It will be a nice draw-
ing room book I hope, and I should be glad

it were put down in lists that are sent
to libraries and reading societies, so that will
extend the circulation more than any thing.

"The times and times of the Queens of England
^{in 3 volumes}
By Agnes Strickland will be the title
I hope it will be out next month.

I fear you will consider this a sad egot-
istical scrawl, but I have so entirely con-
jined myself to my trade, that I have no-
thing else to think about, talk about and
worse than that, to write about! so well I should
wring your quite out I will say good night
and with sincerest wishes for your health
and happiness with love unfeigned

I remain

Dear Mary

Affectionately yours

Agnes Strickland

Friday night near twelve.

Hyde