

Worcester Aug¹¹ 2^a 1863

Dear Mr George I Marsh.

My Dear Friend

You will feel for us I know, in our present affliction - and of course I include dear Mrs Marsh and "Pary" - our dear Child Florence is now in her grave - She died calmly and without a struggle, a few minutes past midnight, on the 31st July -

For nearly 8 months her gradual decline had been going on - we took her to Lghouse for a change of air, but the disease (Rheumatic Fever) continued, and never left her until too weak for recovery. For an abscess deep seated in the thigh, had formed, but never came to the surface - Her sufferings were tremendous -

I will not touch your Charts, by a recital of what she said, and how she bore her pains to the last. It was all truly angelic! - She had a wonderful mind - and was a 'born Poet' in our way -