

They were useful. You would find them at West's
in Henrietta St. (not Court Garden, but Cavendish
Square - so it seems that Henry accomplished his
well-known feat in two places) - or at Gallais' in
Margaret St. not far from St. Paul's Church.

Ever dearest Arthur

Your very affect. old friend

J. W. Webb.

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My dearest Arthur

You will be glad to hear that we accomplished
our journey very well on Saturday - having crammed
a great deal into our 4.5 days stay in Town. Not
indeed all that we wished - but that was owing to our
plans having been laid out rather too wide. Such how-
ever is the usual tenor of our life - performance short
of purpose - but how much preferable to the alternative
of plenty of time - because there is not enough to fill it
up. -

I did not get off, however, without a bite from a
London cockatoo - or rather a discovery that I had been
bitten without knowing it; and in consequence I am
going to trouble you - professionally - and you must per-
mit me to remunerate you accordingly. - After two
failures I succeeded in getting an interview with Mr.
Aston the Secretary to the Bounty Board, & found that
the delay rested with the Eccl. Com^{rs} to whom I have
according to his advice written this morning. But he is
clearly of opinion, and authorises me to say so, that
the money never ought to have been paid into Chancery
at all. The purpose would have been effectually