

at 24 Old Buildings - in your Lincoln's Inn,  
- which was the quarters of Thurloe, Cromwell's  
Secretary, & find out whether there is rather  
very curious tradition connected with it - & if so  
please make as particular a memorandum of it  
as you can, for me. - This of course will  
tell after all your better is happily at an end.

I was in company this afternoon with an  
elderly Chancery Barrister named Craig, who  
was getting his £2000<sup>per</sup> ann: & might by this  
time <sup>have</sup> become Vice-Chance: - but a terrible deaf-  
ness intervened, & literally "put him out of  
Court. He has distinguished himself by his writ-  
ings & seemed a pleasant sociable man, tho'  
compelled to use a flexible tube to hear anything.  
- I have to go to Hereford this day week - till  
Monday - to preach in the Cathedral - like many  
others of the country Clergy by turns. Nothing of  
ecclesiastical controversy you may be sure. In the  
interim I am to be upon the Dean's bread & salt.

A pleasant man I believe he is. And I am to  
have £3.3.0 for the undertaking. - I had no  
chance of telling you in London that as my printer  
& myself cannot be ready by May, publication is  
fixed D.V. for October.

We earnestly hope your dear Mother is better  
notwithstanding cold winds - please tell her with  
our kindest regards

Yours most truly

your very affectionate friend

Deffo - mae Dydd.