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Carolinian's letter come to us - I had been
 feeling that you ought to be made acquainted
 with the state of our dear Mrs & Miss Estlin
 but almost daily expecting that Mr. W. Kim
 would be a "living epistle" to you, I delayed
 writing - to give the particulars of what I know
 would be deeply interesting to you. Promising
 that they are doing well - as Mrs. Follen told
 me last evening that she had not given the par-
 ticulars - I may state - that this morning a fort-
 night since Mr. Estlin on waking found his
 right hand & arm powerless! that "good night
 hammer" that has been used to blip thousands,
 this whole frame has ^{been} in a degree affected by the
 stroke - but happily his mind is clear & his
 speech unimpaired. There has been no pain nor
 sickness - only great febrile heat - and the great care
 has been to watch, that what strength there is
 should not be overtaxed. Mary, the darling, is
 of course vigilant itself - that the talking or
 the reading, both of wh. happily have almost
 from the first been allowed - to some extent &
 now to the amount of several hours during
 the course of the day, - should not be un-
 der prolonged. Within the last few days there
 has been power to move a little the thumb &
 two of the fingers - giving strong hopes that strength
 may one more come - to that "skilled instrument"
 J. Russell evening Mr. Estlin is able to be up &
 to sit in the drawing room - into wh. his bed-
 room opens - till 10 o'clk - No company has as
 yet been admitted - Mr. W. Kim's pleasant de-
 tails of his experiences of London life - give interest
 & variety without weariness - & Mrs. & Kate Perkins
^{about} members of the family contribute to relieve
 his monotony - of what might be weary days. How

who undertakes to write to Mrs. Kim from the Hall and the many partners -

early mistakes
 & the partners
 the whole
 Henry the
 were happy
 to hear of
 her going
 with them
 what a
 game
 playing
 at N.Y.
 Emma
 coming
 to day.
 Mr. Estlin
 is back
 in the
 Henry St
 of 24th St
 her - the
 made by
 he found
 himself
 to me
 she - 5
 in a
 bright
 you can
 find, in
 all line. S.P.

is this "dispensation" home? With that cheerful
resignation & confiding trust - that adorned
the daily lives of these dear friends - whose
present feeling is - that "He, in whom they confide"
doeth all things well. - ~~But~~ I might seem
that it would have been very desirable to be
in Park St. at such a time as this - but Mary
says that could she have planned - things could
not have been better arranged for them. - In
London the best of medical advice, (Dr. Parker
& Bright have been in attendance) - being in
lodgings, - not are very comfortable, - she is relieved
from numerous cares - that would press upon
her at home - and in London they can com-
mence a seclusion which would have been
impossible in Bristol. Their good servant
Ann. is in attendance - and as there is little
or no nursing, ^{house} labour is comparatively
light - and I am happy to state that, so far,
her health - has not appeared to suffer - you
know her great endurance - of ever present
invalence. - To be with her at this time
a witness of her watchful devotion - & self
sustaining power - has been to me a privilege
& a happiness. - What further stay in the
place - must be made - does not yet appear.
The doctors - recommend continued quietness,
not as yet - a short drive, - so that a week
a fortnight or even more may elapse - before
it is thought wise to move.

There is much, very much, about the cause
in its present aspects here. That I long you should
know & about which we crave your riveted mind
I am not without hope - of being able to talk
them over with you. My present plan - is to go to
Switzerland with dear Mrs. Follans - they propose
to go through Paris - stopping a day - If we could
all be together over hour or more - much might
be said - that it seems impossible to write. I have
just laid down Douglas's paper - in which he attempts to
demolish - the American Abolitionist in the Advocate.

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