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Dear Monsieur Guizot
It is painful to me
to think that you may
learn from some other
hand than mine the
news that has fallen
upon us. You are so
kind in allowing me
to share all your joy &
grief, that I feel myself
ungrateful not to have
written the very hour
I knew that my dear
Sister-in-law was no more.
But my first thought &
duty were to hasten to
the house of mourning

came up early yesterday
morning & when I got
up I found it impossible
to write my dear Brother
for the time being
a letter. It was
his 40th anniversary
of his wedding day & you
can imagine what joy
this added to his
life. You have so char-
acteristic insight into the cha-
racter of men, that I am
gladly understood
the lack of union that
existed between these
single hearted, pure, pious
affectionate couple. None
was devoted more entire-
ly willing & loving than

that of her who now his
sister & life partner in the same
of her tender & useful acti-
vity. Indeed, I think she
gave her life a ~~lasting~~ ^{rapid}
for his. Her long anxiety
& wearying exhausted life
that remained of her vital
powers, & surely was he
recovered, when she said,
So, most assuredly, he
would have chosen it
to be. Her decline was
slow & peaceful. At the
very last, the even midst
her wanderings, she was
striving to avert from him
every painful sight &
impression. Kind & loving
to us all, no man here
children occupied her as
he did. I never saw so

expecting an example of
the indistinguishable nature of
true love. At 72, feeble in
mind & body, often uncon-
scious, still the tenderness
of a bride was in the heart.
& I am frightened at my
own solitude & I
am earnestly determined
this is to be remedied.
His three children are
surrounded with families
large for an old man
celebrating his 20th year.
He was born in field
with him - but that
enough for an old
man to be
under care of a wife
- happy in this as
you, dearest Sir. Your
brightest may hope to

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remain with you to
the end. It is impossible
to have more dutiful &
loving children than
my father has - but they
are all heads of families
too unwieldy to become
parts of my ménage.
I was in Norfolk
when the news of my
sister's dangerous state
reached me. I went to Long
to see little Janet
& then on to Norwich
where I lived a few hours
with the departed &
with those who remember
them. I was going to spend
a day at Rotheringham

when the news reached
me which brought me
to London.

Will you let me hear
something of my dear
Henriette. Is she in
her husband? I suppose they
have left you.

Give my kindest love
to Fanny &phine
and always, dearest to

Yours faithfully attached
Sarah Austin

Sheffield House
Oct. 15.

My husband is still at
Brighton - better. He returns
as soon as I am once more
at home.