

Dear C., _ I will not fail you on Friday at six, and Mary, perhaps, earlier. I very much wish to meet "Master Mathew", and am much obliged to the G's for the opportunity. Our kind respects to them always.

ELIA.

Extract



day, and then I will avail myself of your kindness. But holidays are scarce things with me, and the laws of attendance are getting stronger and stronger at Leadenhall. But I shall bear it in mind. Meantime something may (more probably) bring you to town, where I shall be happy to see you. I am always to be found (alas!) at my desk in the fore part of the day.

I wonder why they do not send the revise. I leave late at office, and my abode lies out of the way, or I should have seen about it. If you are impatient, perhaps a line to the printer, directing him to send it me, at Accountant's Office, may answer. You will see by the scrawl that I only snatch a few minutes from intermitting business.

Your obliged servant,

C.LAMB.

(If I had time I would go over this letter again, and dot all my i's.)