

Dear Mr. Parker

Minster Y[ar]d Sep[tember] 1. 43

I have been much employed today in look[ing] at convenient Lodgings and shall this even[ing] have [applications] from 2 female attend[an]ts, of all that part of the business I have no fear and I also consider that lodgings should be a preliminary step - afterwards a House, or whatever might be further thought more advisable - The main difficulty is how are we to move the Lady - I have thought [of] this place her original Lodgings at Heworth Grange are now at liberty - I might come over to Shibden and endeavour to persuade her to [recurve] herself then for a friend, that she would be better protected, and in the interim care would be taken that her property w[oul]d be secured to her entirely - she w[oul]d also recover her Health, which I thought had been seriously affected by her anxieties and privations - I might hint that her refusal might lead to an [Commission] before the Lord Chancellor, and his sending down someone to manage the property - If any [other] mode suggests itself pray communicate it to me. I confess I am by no means sanguine of the success of this, and I fear you will have to resort to a Commission, unless she can be made sensible that it will be wiser for her to submit to friendly advice.

I [should] wish to hear from you before I make [further] advances and if possible I w[oul]d propose com[ing] over on Monday [week].

Very truly y[ou]rs
H.S.B.