

worth reading, he is so aphoristic and pointed.  
 \* I was very sorry indeed to hear of poor Harry  
 Saunders death, the last time I saw him was in  
 Omeidia about two years ago, he said then  
 that he was tired of the sea and would like to  
 give it up and go farming, but did not see his way.  
 He was frank and full of boyish goodnature,  
 very lovable in fact, will surely be a great blow  
 to his father sisters and mother. He was a  
 friend of Risley's too.

I hope little Margaret has got back the full  
 use of her arm, as of course she ought to, and  
 that her spirits have not unduly suffered -  
 but being a child of such vitality they are hard-  
 ly likely to. Is Isabel getting more robust? Shall  
 want care, I fancy. You ought to be happy in  
 your children, and it is a compliment to  
 you when I say that I am proud of them in  
 every way, and comparing them with others  
 think them greatly superior.

I am grinding at "Eyes", and Anatomy and  
 Physiology for the Fellowship.

Note. Son of the late Commander Saunders R.N. He died in London 1893

I enjoyed a great treat in witnessing "Faust" by  
 the Royal Opera Company; it was perfect from  
 beginning to end. Usually I am not moved  
 by an operatic or theatrical performance,  
 but over this I was certainly enthusiastic.  
 The Imperial Institute - magnificent monu-  
 ment that it is - serves as yet chiefly  
 as a pleasant evening lounging place, where  
 one can view royal wedding presents, listen  
 to faultless band music and swallow Neap-  
 olitan ices. In London ice is always procurable  
 without the slightest difficulty, it comes chiefly  
 from Norway, but some is manufactured.  
 The display of ice and fish in the fish-chops  
 always stay my feet and compel admiration.  
 Did I tell you that the idea of settling in San  
 Francisco takes my mind or fancy. The climate  
 is beautiful, (see Froude's Oceana) and as the  
 only outlet for commerce on the coast, or the  
 chief one it must grow and grow. With good  
 English degrees I should be bound to get on.  
 I must try to get some exact information  
 about the place.