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in the Next 9 Months and could I be Opened
that My dear Nancy could suffer the same
considerations to have an equal Effect
upon her, You May depend I should go thro'
the time with much more ease. I know for
My Sake she will endeavour it. I know for
the dear little Children's sake as well as Mine
I will also take every precaution to
secure her health as well as strength. In
deed the One depends on the Other & partic
ularly so with My dear girl. The delica
cy of her Body corresponds with the delica
cy of her Mind & requires Most mi
nute attention to be kept unruffled. Not
Glad to be, I was going to say, my task,
but it was Not a task, it was a plea
sure of the Purest refined kind to gratify
the Most refined kind to gratify
I hope to be blessed with for Many, Ma
ny years to come. I need Not desire You
to write Me; I know You will wish no
Opportunity

Opportunity,
how extremely
You Letters, especially if they
Me that you & My Dear little ones are well
the Moment I get to England I shall anxi
ously enquire at the post Office for them
& should I not meet the Letters, shall be
Much Disappointed; tho' at the same
time, I shall impute it to Others and
other Causes than Carelessness in You.
Do Not, My dear Girl, fail writing to me
often, as Next to being blessed in Your Compa
ny, My Letters will afford me the grea
test pleasure — Kiss My Dear little
Children for Me; do Not let them forget
me, for I feel them to be my own in every
sense of the Word — My best wishes attend
all my Friends with you & May
that great Being to whom be ever
thing, protect & make happy that dear Woman
whom greatly I tender
tenate ten
Bless her ever affec
tionate faithful Husband
James Clayton

Say my
wife I receive
tele
ers are well
I shall anxi
Office for them
shall be
of the same
Others and
in You.
writing to me
blessed in Your Compa
the grea
My Dear little
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