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power as regards his mind, which at one time I feared.

He has been attending to his profession very closely ever since the 1st or 2nd week in January. My daughter Mrs Barkworth is still a cause of anxiety. Her chest is weak and she does not gain flesh. They took a house near us for a few weeks during the winter; but have now returned to their own home at Sevenoaks.

The winter ~~& spring have~~ has been a protracted one. Even now (30 May) the wind is cold; and colds & Rheumatic affections have been common.

I was almost confined to the house for 2 months; but a stay at Ramsgate by the sea for between 2 & 3 weeks, from which we only returned 3 days ago, has done us all good. One object of our visiting Ramsgate was to see my own ~~& daughter~~ John & his wife, who have just set a nice little daughter to cheer their home. He is a curate there; and I was struck with his energy and devotedness in his work: tho I fear it is not altogether according to knowledge.

He has imbibed the high notions, so current, about the sacraments: and at present I do not ~~see how~~ find any argument that seems to lay hold of him. How constantly one finds how necessary a higher power is, to open the understanding to the reception of spiritual truth. Our duty, as one