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n.d. Caspar Morris incoming letters A - Betts

SIDE TWO

Yes - my dear Son telegr me the
Manager informing him you would
work for 18th so we shall probably
only wait 4 or 5 days when
you arrive for Mr Hamilton
Sadly detained here - you will
hardly credit that a telegram had
been lying here (instead of being
sent as directed to Cuddalore) since
19th July - it was only since Edmond
Shewin had been here 2 days
& after he made enquiry at
T. Office they were able to find
another & had come day
after he arrived - & only on
Wednesday last was it delivered
to me - Mr Potter (the Clergyman)
having then hurried it from
Chum at New Hotel - my
dear ones at home had made
all arrangements for the vault
at Aylesford as I so much
wished - & ~~their~~ they must
have anxiously waited wondering
why I did not reply - however

I shall not bitterly see some day
why for my 10 days of suspense
for I have not told you I heard
from home that all wishes the
dear remains sent to England
- it was too late when at length
the 2nd telegram was given me -
all was arranged - & we yesterday
at 4.10 left our beloved
one in the Cemetery at Old
Cairo - I have indeed been most
mercifully dealt with - I was able
to go with my dear children
& Col. Scratton - Mr Roper - Mr Richards
Mr Campbell - Mr Woodcock - & Grant
& Mr M'Cullum accompanied us -
But Mr Adey arose from the doubt
the Officials had of "passing" the
cases - we sadly feared the dear
body wd have been removed
& their "Regulation coffins" but
at length we satisfied them & secure
& replace water out only - this
was done on Wednesday last -
I am now going to prepare breakfast
tomorrow & tomorrow morning at