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Dear Howard

Many thanks again for your letter & will you please thank Emily also for her epistle which I will try to answer too before long but tell her that the time which I ought to have spent in replying was taken up in endeavouring to find out its meaning so that she must lay all the blame on

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herself if she does not hear from me.
I am glad Cecil's lecture was a success though it would have been surprising if it had not been so + I am glad too to hear that Mr. Hutcheson is improving + earnestly hope he may continue to do so rapidly. With regard to what you say about Evans. I really think it would be much better as far as real education goes

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if they could be entirely discarded but since this is not practicable + it is a choice of the lesser of two evils I do certainly think that the Oxford (or Cambridge) is less unsatisfactory than the Preceptors the only ~~dis~~advantage of the latter seems to be that they tell you more exactly how you have done in each particular subject. I know Evans. have their good points but they have very bad ones + do

not help in real education much
as they do inevitably lead to
cramming.

Thank you for your flowers. We have
here been enjoying the most lovely
weather + everything is commencing
to bud - hawthorne trees in many
parts are half-out - almond trees are in
full blossom + primroses, daffodils +
crocuses of course abound.

Have you anything settled about Easter
yet! All I know about myself is
that I am going to read hard.
This is absolutely necessary if I wish to