

image conveyed to me afterwards in his correspondence. Though the two letters that follow cannot of course reveal all Hazlewood's mental characteristics, they nevertheless let us see his state of mind at the time, and the topics which were then chiefly interesting to him. The first letter was written from London, a day or two after his return to town from his visit to us.

LONDON.

JULY, 18—

*My dear old fellow.*

Since I left you there has been a rapid change of plans, and instead of going to the Lakes for the summer on a walking tour, as I had at first intended, Byrne and I are to start to-morrow for St. Maddo on the Cornish coast, where his uncle has a place. Afterwards, we shall proceed to the continent. We intend to make Switzerland our goal, and work up to it through France. Paris for a time will be our headquarters, and from thence we shall make pilgrimages into the country round about. It will be my first visit to the continent, and I am almost wild with anticipation. The flavour of your sweet home life is still round me, and I shall never forget those happy peaceful days I passed with you. They did me a world of good. They shewed me what life may be to those who love God. It is such a pity that religion is set before men primarily as a means to righteousness, instead of a means to happiness. It loses by this. Few men want to be righteous, unless already under the influence of religion, whereas all men, bad and good, want to be happy. In this age when the light of reason and science is focussed