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The Close,
Winchester.

April 21

My dear Friend
Your letter is
most true - I am
"Sick". but your words
are very comforting
too. I am going thro'
a dark tunnel - but there
will be an end to it.

How kind your
invitation is. I should
like to stay some
days with you, but till

The 30th I shall
have to be here.

The Dean & his wife
leave to stay a little
longer here. I am in
a corner of the large
house, with a little niece
& my son George comes
when he can for a night.
It is a convenience to
me, resulting from the
fickleness & indecision
of the old Bishop who

cannot make up his
mind about the new
Canon. It saves me
the expense for a time
& the risk of warehousing
my furniture, nice books
& drawings &c.

Between the early
part of May & the 1st of
August, I shall probably
be at times rather homeless.
So I will with all my
heart come & stay with
you at any such time,
probably in May.
I am not taking any

house. I shall have to
live economically — no
trial to me. My son
has taken a sort of Cottage
at Wimbledon, we will
be ready in August, &
he will give me & my
furniture house room
at any time.

With loving Thanks
Ever y^r affec^t

J. B. Butler