

19 Nov 1863



My dear Sir

I am sending off the
picture today, ^{by passenger train} addressed
to you at Hooton,
with a direction outside
that it is to be
delivered immediately.
I hope Mrs Blackmore
may like it as well
as I was glad to
find, you did. The
drawing will be enclosed
in the same case -
I think you will see



That the picture has
gained by a few slight
additions since you
saw it.

I wish you a prosperous
voyage, and with
Kind Remembrance to
Mrs. Blackmore

am y^{ours} sincerely
D. Procter

W. Blackmore Esq

P.S. I should mention
that the writing on
the frame, being done
at last moment, is
still wet in sending
off, and though it will
probably be dry on
reaching you, had better
not be touched. The
poem of *Fazio degli
Uberti* quoted is one
contained among my
published translations
from the Early Italian
Poets, and my English
version says

"I look on the crisp golden
- threaded hair
Wherof, to Thrall my heart, Love
twists a net."

The best light in
which to see the picture
would be almost
opposite the light,
^{the light.}
but, coming rather
from the left :- i.e.
of the spectator -