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DOWN,
BECKENHAM, KENT.
(RAILWAY STATION
ORPINGTON. S.E.R.)

My dear Fry

I was indeed grieved to see yesterday in the Times the great loss which you have suffered. I know well what misery this loss will cause to your affectionate disposition & to poor Mrs Fry. Emma desires me to say how much the sympathies with you both. It is no use whatever my writing, but I could not endure

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not to do so. — I hope
he did not suffer much.
Do not write to me,
unless doing something is
a little relief to you.
God bless you my dear
old friend. I hope you to
may for an fairly well in
bodily health.

Your affectionately
Charles Darwin

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