M's are usually pointy

lower case D's curve backwards

Mitford uses the long s for double ss's within words.

Record all dashes

MRM does not pick up her pen when going from capital I to the next word (here, I am)

There is another double s here.

Record obliterated words. Try to read underneath (Here, [illegible])

A comma

An Ampersand: &

But

of my [2 words]

still. MRM does not have clearly crossed t's

This is a lowercase f.

Inn. retain caps where MRM uses them

Coach, caps also

expence. Retain MRM spelling but code alternatives

Note torn ms. Code possible words (here, MRM's signature)

MRM usually spells your's with apostrophe

Tuesday Morning. 15

My dear Friend

Pray forgive the trouble that I am going to give you — Will you have the goodness to ascertain from Mr. Moncreaff whether it is actually necessary that I should see him to hear himself his suggestions respecting ~~[illegible]~~ Florence & talk them over with him, or whether they are such as may be ~~[illegible]~~ transmitted through you — If he wishes to see me will you have the goodness to appoint a morning the end of this week, or next week or whenever suits him that I may wait on him at Hampstead for that purpose — & first let me know by one line when to come up. Pray pray forgive this trouble — But you know there is good cause to fear Mr. Monckreaff's leaving London without letting us know & the time is drawing on. — Or if you think it necessary for any other of my [illegible] to come up — I had rather not of course — but still my dear father is now so well recovered (though still [illegible]) that I can leave him without fear — & as I should keep at the decent Inn [illegible] Coach price up & only stay one day there would be very little expence or inconvenience in the journey.

One more I beseech you to pardon [illegible] the trouble I have given — kind regards from [illegible]

Your most faithfully yours M. [illegible]