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[Lady Osler to Mrs. Chapin]

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Dearest Sister

Of course we were delighted to have a cable with word about the boy. I was taking a morning in bed - Sunday - as I was rather weary - and thought about you with your wee grandson in your arms - undoubtedly very proud & happy. I have sent a line to Margaret & hope all is going well. Your letter about the money & Neds came yesterday - I think it is wonderful how much you got and if you knew the blessing of it - That American Miss Kohnweiler who now has a small house in this street has loaned her house for 3 months - Boffin the baker has loaned a house for 3 months and we have taken several. It is almost impossible to put them in lodgings on account of the food and young children. Sir Arthur Evans has had 10 people out at his house - Yesterday one family moved into a house Wanda M.M got - and you would have laughed to see us - The landlady fooled her about the cleaning and as we were determined not to disappoint them we pitched in - and the stylish Mrs M.M & the rotund Lady O. were to be seen making beds vigorously & wiping paint. I enclose a letter to the Transcript which please have put in and also let me know if there has been anything to pay on these notices. The news is encouraging now - if our men can only hold out & the Russians can push on at the devils heels. Calais seems so near - men are coming in now who are only just wounded & it seems so near. The Canadian Hospital near Folkestone is full.

I have just wired Liverpool again about the Case - as it has not turned up & I am wild to see it. I am promising myself to go to town tomorrow - a dozen times I have arranged it and when the morning came - my heart failed - but I am in rags & must, and to see Adèle. She says Cochran has sent her \$1000 for Belgian relief - Rockefeller has sent me \$1000 - to use for the Science men - Louvain - part of it must go to Cambridge as some are there. It is splendid. I must't write more -

Yrs

Grace

Hug Martha & Henry.

Do you know who Miss Mary King is - who is Margaret Pearces friend? She has something to do with Nina Chapin & Albany connections I think -

Poor Margaret is very plucky but so anxious of course - Jim P. is now with the Yeomanry at Gen Frenchs Headquarters

I hear of English wounded in Mrs Stickneys Chateau. Fancy what a joy to be doing it. Change from Waltham and Fanueil Hall Market + Pa.