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*For I find here in your letter to have the Easter visit
arrange another time in April next*

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My dear Willie

We are all more than disappointed to find that you cannot come this Easter tide, but will not be selfish for I'm sure just at this time you must be almost dazed and a few days after you have once changed quarters will be more of a rest for your dear old brains, (I won't say bones) though I fancy they are wearied now and then. A post card and note came for you last week but so far nothing in the shape of a parcel has come except the coat from Ottawa. If it should come in time to forward the trousers they will be sent direct but supposing there is delay send a card to say whether they shall be forwarded to Philadelphia or Baltimore as I suppose you will be there after May 1st. In all your turmoil I do trust you will keep well and find things fit in without much worry--the loss of those two friends has I know been a hard trial for you to bear for your heart is not of stone and you know why all trials are sent--just to make us more like unto our Master and to fit us for the Home which He has gone to prepare for His people. You will be glad to hear that Father keeps fairly well we went to Church on Good Friday and hope we may be able to go again next Sunday. Chatties three girlies were down from Thursday till yesterday and enjoyed their little visit, Miss B. D. behaving herself like a Queen--they saw one or two of the rehearsals for the Kermesse and only wished they might miss the train and so gain another day and see more of the grand doings of the week. There have been various letters from Annie they had a very quick and pleasant passage and were enjoying the Old Home immensely were to leave about this time for Aix--the boys return to school today Billie has grown so much and looks so well indeed they all look as if school agreed with them you'll be glad flooded with notes from the children telling of all their doings at the Kermesse, it is in full swing now and they have fine weather if it brings in good funds for the Home I suppose they will not mind all their trouble. Alec has an ulcer on one of his eyes and has to leave off work for a week so he has been helping generally and Nellie fills up a gap here and there where needed.

We all send best Easter love and thanks for the loving remembrance in form of cards. I did not send one this year else you would have seen one.

Ever dear Willie
Your loving Mother
Ellen Osler

*Miss B.D. = ? Rachel ("Biddie") / at age 13.
could be 8th London Marine, aged 22?*