

THE MAPLES,
EGERTON PARK,
ROCK FERRY.

Sept: 12th 102

My dear Clarette,
I never thought
Sept. would find me, as I left
on the wharf ready to leave & I
do trust - you will not find
things difficult. & I feel so hard
about - the boys - going away -
but, I will make the best of my
time & if I have to go to Holyhead
for a week, I will just - sit in the
open, & absorb - Here we do not
sit - out - much - What - with work
& mind, & the little engagements,
we do not - take as much garden
as we might.

But - this is to be business -
Don't forget - butter? I generally
take in an empty trunk a small
trunk, & it - sh^d go with you, or
it - runs a risk of being spoiled
& Mrs. B's generally sends me
two large trunks of 60 lbs each to
Montreal. about end of October
she charged me 20^{cts} last year
it - has been 18 - till then.

arrange it - I have never surely
help you get in don't let her be
pugged out - at the hotel's closing
or house opening - you might
write to Day Nursery, Mountain St
I engage Mrs Wilson for two days
or so, she is a very good cleaner
& quiet & tidy. There, that is home

As to G. M. it is most sad
that her old age sh^d be made
so sad. I am sure you all
do your best. The more much
R is at our house the better
or someone else at G. M. - she is
incapable of resisting his depres-
sion, & can only share it - which
is most bad for both. Like you,
I hope for better days. but I can
see no light - to show how or when
but - do you constantly declare the
house giving up is right don't let
us go back on that. There is a
nurse about - walking in darkness
& light coming - that recurs in my
head - I will try & find it. &
put it in

Much love to all especially G. M.
I have heard so little of him lately.
& long so to see him. I think if there
anything you wd especially like to take
up next winter - you have not to
seek a vacation of M. & the home

needs are a wide one for you at present; I don't know how we could manage without you, but - I would be glad for you to have an outing or visit of some kind a little later -

I hope Mabel is better give her my love -

Your loving
Mother

How do you think it wd be to let Ruth practically drop studies & devote herself to reading: if she cd see her way to a definite preparation for a vocation that wd be best of all = but I doubt if she is ready for that: I wd like her to take that history course - I wish we cd all take it - It is a great field that always appeals to me - I seem foundational =

No. I think I paid 18 for the first
trial & 20 for the later one, but it
has always been satisfactory
with one exception. Don't forget
try egg, trouble for nothing.
Kilda will make us comfortable.
I hope you spoke to Agda about
it for she complained of Kilda
so much, & wanted to leave be-
cause of her: & I should be
very sorry to lose Agda, she would
do very nicely for the downstairs
& waited much better than Kilda.
When you get home give Agda in-
ward about being upstairs
practically at 7 a.m. What
will become of Jeffries. I half
hope you might get her for
housemaid, she seemed such a
nice little thing. I would
like to find out before Mrs
Cooper leaves if she has any com-
plaint of Agda for both last
years cooks complained of Agda
& Kilda. & I would like to know if
both were annoying or which.
You will see that Agda does not
get too much to do if Mrs C. goes
she really is due a holiday, &
you had better speak about
it. If she wants to go away
with Nellie we shall have to