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13, Norham Gardens, Oxford,
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Dear Dr. Jacobs:-

Thank you very much for your card & your kindness in remembering me amid all this excitement. In spite of everything we have had a happy Christmas. Mother is well as usual & so likewise Dad and myself, 'for which,' as Pepys would say 'God be praised.'

Dad has given me, (I am telling every one I meet this, out of joy) a first edition of Dr. Walton's life of Herbert - a perfect gem of a book, uncut unsoiled and just as it left the hands of the printer and perhaps of Walton himself. You will pardon my enthusiasm for you no doubt know it yourself.

The fishing goes well & I find that in proportion as one's skill increases so does the Thames appear the more unworthy of the abuse which it is customary to bestow upon it. Some day I hope you will come and we will make an expedition with rods and good Waltonian bait to New bridge or Egnsham, or some other famous place on its banks. My regards to Mrs. Jacobs.

Revere (discip: Iz.Wa.)