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(Lady Osler to Mrs. Revere)

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Sunday Eve - June 4th(1905)

Dearest Mother

We have had a very happy day with one disappointment - We were to have had Dr & Mrs. Jacobs to spend the afternoon but she had a headache and could not come. Too bad - for we wanted to see them and it was such a glorious day -

I sent off my letter Friday finished I think after Miss McDowell left. She enjoyed her little glimpse of Oxford & we enjoyed seeing her. We have really been very busy. Revere is well established with his tutor - Mr Alburn - a dear little chap - looking like George Haven (Leila's husband). He seems to have taken a fancy to Revere & the boy to him. He comes from 10 to 12.30 - and they are working hard at the first Latin words - Willie has each day had work at the University - The work is slight - and he has no hospital work yet - nor will he do any this summer. He means to have a good holiday. His rooms are in the Radcliffe Museum. He has entire supervision of the Medical Department - I believe there are only 180 scholars. He trots about in cap & gown & looks very artistic. Each day we have looked at a house but have seen nothing. It is impossible to get an old house - they are all taken and evidently would be too damp.

Miss Nicols is doing nicely with her work - She is much interested & anxious to do everything correctly. We have had Dr. Russell for Sunday - he was in the Royal Victoria with Bill and last winter in the Hopkins - I mean a year ago last winter & is now in London - in a Hospital. He has had a lovely day on the river - & is an old friend of Marjorie's - There are many callers every afternoon - & some nice looking women - I mean some who look as though I could make friends - The Butler is a great success - and such a comfort. The cook & housemaid are Mrs. M-M's you know - I go in the kitchen at 9.30 each morning and the cook has the food for the day on the slate - Everything very nice - & well cooked - absolutely English - I will not make any changes with her - as we like the food - She makes delicious soups - & cooks fish well - The housemaid is not very much - but helps the butler and seems willing - then we have "a between-maid" - In that most amusing play there was such a character called "tweeny" - She helps the chambermaid until 12 and then helps the cook - I know you will be interested in these details - so do not let the boys laugh.

Last evening we had our first Rhodes student, young Archibald of Montreal - I believe he is no relation to our friends - Good night -

Tuesday afternoon in London

Marjorie & I came up this morning for shopping -& are caught in a dreadful rain - We have done much however. I go back tomorrow - Marjorie stays a day or two with some friends. Had your letter of the 24th and Ned's - Address 7 Norham Gardens - Oxford. It saves several hours.

Much, much love -

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Grace