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(Lady Osler to Mrs. Revere)

7, Norham Gardens, Oxford.

Friday - 10.30, Sept 22nd (1905)

Dearest Mother

Your post card of the 11th came yesterday and found us all flourishing and revelling in glorious days. The fact is everybody has said such dreadful things about the weather and climate here that when the sunshines I am really very much excited - altho' it has been so fine ever since we arrived that it has kept one's spirits up splendidly. You would laugh to see your grandson established in an English school. He went off pluckily on Wednesday - and by now has a full outfit for football - awful looking boots - short flannel trousers - heavy socks - bare knees & jersey - He goes at 9 - comes home at 1 - having had an hours football or gymnasium - Back at 2.15 for carpentering for $\frac{1}{2}$ an hour - studies until 4 - & home. I hope he does well with his books but cant expect too much - he is so good & obedient and such a happy soul that I shall try to keep from worrying about his lack of interest in books & pray that it may come. Willie Francis is enjoying sightseeing. W.O was gone Wednesday & yesterday in the North seeing about some medical matters - Wed. I went to Ewelme to meet work people who are to put the Master's rooms in order so that we can stay there if we want to. Willie Francis went with me and was much interested in the dear old church and greatly entertained by the people. I have had another letter from Dorothy Fay - accepting my invitation for Oct 21st - apparently with great vim.

I am interested and busy getting rooms in order in Christ Church - bed room & sitting room - then this Ewelme place to be done and W.O's rooms at the Museum where he attends to all University matters. No idleness about here I assure you. I am just off to London now to be fitted - I had to get a dress for Paris - a high neck evening dress for dining out. The trains are very good to London 1.10 minutes and no stop - so I pretend it is only like going to town from Canton - I read all the way and it seems very short. I never heard anything from Miss Kimlen. There has been an invasion of Hopkins nurses - so many calling - Willie is becoming interested in the infirmary here & will have work there.

9.30 P M

We are just up from a very late dinner. W.O & Willie F. went to Fairford to lunch at the Abbeys to meet the Dr Whites from Philadelphia - They missed a train and got back very late. I returned early from London as I had nothing much to do. I met Mrs Tom Leaming in a shop and we pattered about some time together. They go home tomorrow in the Lucania. She was expecting Marion Emmons up today to spend the night. I hope she is still free from pain.

No more - good night. Amy Gwyn will be with us when you receive this and you can think of us going to Paris on the 30th to be gone a week. We will stay at the Hotel Dominici with the Jacobs - but you can write here - letters will be forwarded

Much love

Grace