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Dear Willie

Many thanks for the seeds which came this morning, it will soon be time to have them in their places. Chattie under the impression that you would be down, wrote to say she would do her best endeavour to spend Sunday with us. She knows now that you cannot come but I still hope she will not alter her plans but be with us and take up Jack and Hugh on Monday. The enclosed from Dundas Nellie opened, it looked as if it came from Dr. Mc Mahon who was most anxious to see you, Chattie said. We are all mourning over your non-arrival but I feel we have no business to grumble only like a dear good son do not over work yourself the last few weeks have been trying for you and when the heart is heavy it is difficult to take up the daily routine of work with the interest required to run things smoothly.

*Control after Paul's death*  
I do not know what has influenced Father but he has given in to the arrangement of altering the down-stairs room, he seemed so averse to it that the idea was given up but now he quite agrees to it. All the worry of it will not be for long for it will be light work and perhaps it will be best but I cannot help feeling that the change will not suit him. He gets much more helpless as I think you must have noticed, today he walked round the garden two or three times.

I'm sure you have too many letters to read and write to want a lengthy one from me, again thanking you for the seeds and hoping you will get your trousers and gloves which were sent off yesterday, I am

Ever your loving Mother  
Ellen Osler

If C should not come we will send up her parcel of seeds on Monday.

\*? Little Paul!