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My dear Willie

Your letter and one from Chattie came together this morning. I enclose part of C's that you may the better judge of Charlies progress towards recovery it is over three weeks now since he was laid up--we know it is most tedious but if we could be sure (which of course we cannot be,) that he was really improving we could be content. C always writes very cheerfully and looks at the bright side of things but she must have many anxious hours.

Nellie went up on Friday last and brought down Campbell he and Aylmer went over to Avenue St. today. Trevor is nominally with us but on a few days visit to Mary Thorne he goes to St. Lukes School and between us we shall keep these three as long as necessary. C with five others has enough to care for--the two servants that came two or three days before C was taken ill are nice girls and willing to do all they can. Mrs. Hatfield is a capable nurse and when she is there C gets a good rest and sleep. I do not think Charlie would tolerate a stranger about him and I know that is one of C's strongest reasons for not having a trained nurse of course if Walker saw it was positively requisite he would insist and they would get one. Amy is with Carrie and writes very cheerfully about her says her last rheumatic attack went off with less pain and more quickly than usual she looks much better and is very cheerful, with a better appetite than for months past, she is likely to remain there till May. Father is tolerable, I can see that his helplessness increases these three past days he has not inclined to go out (it has been very cold too and icy sidewalks) as he sits or stands I notice he inclines very much to the left side, and he does not look so well in face as usual.

Hennie came with a cab and drove me up today to see Mrs. Cochrane she was very poorly on the voyage and has been taking a good rest since their arrival on Sunday, she told me that Edmd. had written to you about her niece who came out with her and wants to find something to do as soon as possible--either nurse, companion governess, or office work--pleasant and energetic I fancy as well as capable--age 27, I hope something will turn up for her.

We unite in love

Ever your loving Mother
E. Osler