

They were 89.59 went to Colonsay from Skye Aug 30th - Strathcona House.

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(Dr. W. S. Thayer)  
Colonsay House, Island of Colonsay.  
Aug. 31st

Dear Thayer

I am so distressed to hear of the death of your sister. Mrs Osler saw notice of it in the Transcript. What a grief it will be to all of you; & how sad particularly for your mother. I hope you were able to be with her.

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We have been in Scotland for three months - at first with the Phipps, then for a week on the Island of Skye and now here with the Howards on this out-of-the-way Island with some three hundred people - the home of the McNeils? Strathcona bought it a few years ago & his daughter is living here - She married Campbell Howard's half-brother. We are still unsettled at Oxford no home in sight. We have Mrs Max-Müllers for the year which is a comfort. I have had a quiet summer, getting rested. I was very much used up after arriving - just squeezed dry but I am now feeling in good form. Things look hopeful at the Radcliffe - there are several nice young fellows who are willing and anxious to work & I think there will be material enough to keep us going. Camac was with us off & on for several weeks. He seems in very good form. Ike has fished all the good pools on the Char & at Beaufort caught his first big fish - a huge pike. Welch we hope to see again on his way from the Continent. The picture bids fair to be a success. Welch is very good. I do not like Halsted or Kelly, & H. says that mine is awful but I think when hung & looked at from a distance it will be a good representation. We sail about Dec 10th - to spend Xmas in Boston & I hope to spend Jan with you all at the Hopkins. Do set to work at the Heart material, so as to have it all ready for the articles. I forget in which volume you come, 3rd I think.

Love to Sister Susan.

Sincerely yours,

Wm Osler