

(Mrs. Robt. Brewster)

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Dear Mabel

I am so pleased to be asked to be Godfather to the little man, and am counting the years with wonder if I shall hear him the Creed, the Lords Prayer and the Ten Commandments 'in the *Vulgar* tongue'. I hope so, tho' tis a bit doubtful. Give him my blessing. Sue Chapin is sending him a Paul Revere porringer, which please have marked with his name. How I wish I could see you all at Avalon. I have been sharing your anxiety about the infantile paralysis, but I feel sure you are taking all precautions. You will be kept late in the country but all the better for the children. Revere has come for three days leave before going to the front. How I wish you could see him! He has developed so much, & we are boon companions, and he takes such an interest in my books. We shall be terribly anxious of course, but the cause is worth any sacrifice. Grace is slaving, as usual - big workshop for the base Hospital. <sup>and</sup> The Hotel is full as usual - so many coming & going. A delightful Texan, convalescing from fever and a nephew with an ankle cracked in a German dug-out are with us at present. I am away a great deal - Hospitals & this Welsh Univ. Commission; but I keep well.

Love to the lassies. How delighted they must be with the baby. Expect R.B. is doing a little baby worship himself!

Affectionately yours

WM OSLER

Love to Uncle Ned.