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13 Norham Gardens, Oxford.

(~~Mar. 8th~~), 1917. (1918?)

Aug. 31, ?

*as the same day to*  
and the Special Judge the choice of Robert Howard and Harry's lawyer;

Dr & Mrs. C. P. Howard

Dearest Campbell & Otilie.

You will be desolated, as we are, at the loss of the dear boy. We have been steeling our hearts for the blow, but now that it has come the bitterness is much more than we thought. Dear laddie! he loathed the whole business of war, and I dare say is glad to be at peace out of the hell of the past ~~six~~ months. Was it not a blessing that <sup>H</sup> Harvey was with him? This really softens the blow. We have had no details so far. Harvey wired yesterday "dangerously wounded but conscious and comfortable" and then in the eve came a telephone message from the W.O. that he had died at noon. We shall take up our shattered life and do the best we can. All our other dear children, among whom are you dears, will be a consolation. A little letter came from my darling <sup>Marie</sup> - to whom give a *love* and twenty kisses and some to the dear boy.

Yours loving,

Decie O.