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[Lady Osler to Mrs. Chapin]

Brown's Hotel, London.

Friday 2 P M [Jan. 29, 1915]

Dearest Sister

We came up yesterday for a dinner the Armours had for the acting Canadian Commissioner who has just been knighted. The first time I have been at a dinner party. I nearly cried in the middle of it when I thought. W.O has gone to the Canadian Hospital and we are staying tonight to do a play just for a change of scene and thought. Norman goes with us. I saw him yesterday in uniform. He is in luck. His unit probably goes to France at once and he has a well equipped Laboratory under his charge - and they will be one Base for the Canadian troops. They probably begin to move them next week. Norman is delighted. He knows the very things needed for the Laboratory work in a Hospital.

The Queen of the Belgians is staying here - She comes over to see her children are in the country at Lord Curzons place. Archie M. writes from La Panne that the Queen ("She" he calls her) - comes to their Hospital every week - & is very charming -

I am sending you a letter which if you approve - do send to Tillie or Fred - I have sent one to Thérèse asking her to send it to Cyrus McC- or his mother - Of course everyone thinks me a beggar but it is better to know what to send - & I don't want any more flannel petticoats - one Baltimore friend sends dozens - Marjorie's boxes are perfect - Everything useful - I am still thinking about Miss Danielson the Wonderful. Revere has not been summoned yet - any day he may go to the Hospital. An Air Raid is evidently expected here. Streets darker last night & orders placarded everywhere. Heaps of love

Grace.