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(Lady Osler to Mrs. Revere)

(7, Norham Gardens, Oxford)
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Dearest Mother

I mean to write a little every day - so that it will seem as natural as possible and not give the letter an unusual appearance of being spread out. You would think us quite at home could you look in I think. I will make one of my usual drawings. The house is comfortable from an English standpoint - and the lawn & trees lovely. We have been so busy getting unpacked and settled. I have felt very pleased that all Willie's books I brought in trunks came perfectly - not a scratch or a paper torn. I may join the Fidelity Moving Company having proved so successful a packer - The library here is full of nice books but enough space left for the treasures. Willie had his first consultation today - He is busy arranging his work at the Medical Department. Today we have been hunting a tutor - who is hard to find at this moment. Marjorie came down today as her friends were not ready for her. She will make this her headquarters and go and come as she pleases. We have been on the river two afternoons - The College races have been all this week and Oxford is packed full. Such looking girls I have never seen - perfect frumps. As Marjorie & I walked home in our short foulards we were gazed at well.

Friday, June 2nd -

Your letter written as you were going to Salem came yesterday dearest Mother - It is so nice to feel the mails have begun - & this morning brought a letter from Bill & one from the angel McCrae - I can never forget his angelicness. Yesterday was a busy day - House hunting & arranging for the tutor. The latter more successful than the former - no decent house - but a nice young man engaged with whom Revere is now closeted. He is to come for 2 hours every morning - and every afternoon - for rowing, cricket and picnics. Revere seems delighted.

We are gradually getting unpacked & settled but there are interruptions as usual. I send a sketch of the Mansion. It is in the modern part of the town and like Cambridge or any University town - all houses with grounds - The weather is wonderful, very warm & fine - It seems very quiet but I am glad enough - I seem to have been weary to the bone - Wasn't it delightful about the American yacht winning? We passed her one evening but all thought her too far ahead to be a yacht. I hope you got our Marconigram -

Friday Eve.

We have had such a nice visit from Miss McDowell the head of the Decorative Art in Baltimore - She came down for luncheon from London - She has been in Italy & Paris buying, & sails for Boston on the Arabic next Friday - She will be at her sister's on Newbury St. when she arrives - the one who has the Hospital and has promised to telephone you. She was our first guest -

Our bestest love to you all

Aff^{ly}

Grace

I think Miss N & Marjorie were amused with Ned's kissing them.