1028/58/51 (Lady Osler to Mrs. Revere)

7, Norham Gardens, Oxford. Friday Eve Nov 10th (1905)

Dearest Mother

Such a nice long letter from you of Oct 30th etc came Thursday -I also had one from Joe - he says he may bring the children up for Christmas. We wanted to sail to Boston but could not manage it. W.O cannot leave until the 16th as there are examinations until the 15th. I think I told you I always meant to go ahead of W O & Revere - but cant get up the courage now. You see Mrs M M is coming here to stay in our absence and I should want to have everything arranged before leaving. Fortunately the Ivernia sails from Boston January 23rd Five weeks from tonight we hope to be in readiness. I sent you a card yesterday asking for the sizes of gloves I sent the children and also about the dresses -I was in town this morning and looked at the sailor dresses. I want to know the length of skirts and if Susan's must be larger than Margarets with her nice little poky out behind. Do her flannel petticoats catch up still & worry her? have just had a nice letter from Marion Emmons - she says she will come here after Bessie leaves her on the 20th which will be very nice. We have had to decline another invitation to Cora's which is very annoying We have so many dinner engagements ahead. Last Eve we had a most delightful dinner in the Common room of Corpus Christi College - the Common room being a small dining room where the Tutors and Dons lunch and have their dessert. There were some very interesting men who told me lots about the older Colleges. It was so mysterious & queer there. There was a dense fog and our coachman could hardly find his way there -When we came out Willie & I walked about among the College buildings in the fog with the Moon shining through. Willie's delight in the College life is a joy to see. I went to town this morning and did some shopping Billie and Rachel had tea with me at the Club, both very jolly and bright. I will finish this in the morning

Saturday morning 11th

The first real, heavy rain & wind storm we have had since we came over is raging just now, but does not look as though it would last. Tell Ned I have a letter from his tailor about his clothes and will bring them with pleasure. The Howards were all coming from town today but have been prevented which is a good thing on account of the weather. Much love to you all -

Affly

Grace.