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(Lady Osler to Mrs. Revere)

(7, Norham Gardens, Oxford)

Monday Eve Nov 20th (1905)

Dearest Mother

Your letter came Saturday Evening just as we were going off to a dinner party so I read it on my return - Thanks for the article on the Modern Nurse - I read it in the Transcript and sent it to Miss Mary Smith in the Edinburgh Infirmary - Did I tell you she has been accepted? She is delighted with her work and says she is so very happy. We had such an enchanting dinner party at Magdalen College Saturday Eve - It is so beautiful and the Presidents house although comparatively modern so charming and thoroughly warmed. It is very entertaining to hear the apologies offered for a comfortable house - the people seem to think it almost criminal to set aside the traditions of having a frigid house. We are really most lucky in having secured this house for thus far we have been perfectly comfortable the hall stove warming very nicely - they burn coke in it - I find the dinner parties where the Vice Chancellor is present are always nicer for he is such a jovial soul and keeps everyone cheery. He and I are great friends.

Wednesday A.M - 22nd

I went off to London yesterday morning rather suddenly and have made no progress with my letter. It was a gorgeous day and I thought I better make the most of it. As we approached London there was a heavy fog and the sun a huge red ball. It is such an extraordinary sight - everything was white with frost which did not melt all day and made the city look very beautiful. The King of Greece is in London so all is gay and the place perfectly jammed - Buckingham Palace surrounded by soldiers & scenes of great festivity - The King sprained his ankle at a shooting party the other day and is hobbling about with a cane at present. I did errands and got home at 6.10 then went to a dinner party. So had quite a day of it - We get back at 10 o'clk from the dinner parties which is a mercy. Marjorie is in town for several days at the Howards. Louis Chapin is coming for tea this afternoon with Mr Millet - the artist's son who is in college here - he came for tea Sunday - It was very amusing - about 30 undergraduates called Sunday afternoon - Billie was here and we had some nice music. I think I must always have a girl here it makes it very attractive for the men. Marion V. B and I are having a great correspondence - I hope she can come here next week. We are to dine with the American undergraduates on Thanksgiving night so you can think of us. No more

Love to all

Grace.