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(To Mrs. Cushing)
(From Lady Osler).

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Dearest Kate

A letter from Harvey to Dr. Osler always make me homesick and yet I love to have them - one came yesterday. Yours ears must be always burning - for every one writes of "such a picture, Kate & her children". Osler in Rome!! It is really wonderful - our tour. We spent three weeks in Cannes which was an (un)expected treat - Dr. Osler left Paris with a sore throat & I would not budge from Cannes until he had got quite well, and also until he finished his various articles for this awful System of Medicine - Cannes was exquisite and as we had a delightful motor at our disposal we saw the country very comfortably. We are settled here for a month and if we continue to have good news from Revere I shall be very content. We have come into midwinter which is rather a trial after Cannes but the sunshine is delicious and for sightseeing I much prefer it to hot weather. - One's breath is really taken away by the wonders of Rome - and by the horrors of modern Rome - Fancy a Hotel just being finished called "The Select Hotel" - a large sign in English in gilt letters - it makes one shudder. Of course one meets Americans every where - we are to have the pleasure of meeting Mrs. Fraser - your friend at dinner - Mrs. McCagg an old friend of mine from Chicago knows her very well. Mother's friends the Bakers are here also & they know Mrs. Frazer - I hear she is a charmer - We go to Florence from here in March and play about until April 15th when Dr. Osler sails from Genoa for Boston due May 3rd. He will see my people and then fly to Baltimore - goodness - I wish I was going too. He will go to Amy first but of course be with you constantly. I was glad to hear Miss Nicols had been with you - you can't imagine how I have worried about her - For a year I had been trying to screw up my courage to make Dr. Osler screw up his courage to make the change but I hated to do it. Our long absence from home made it possible. There is no reason why she should not do very well - She is most capable & with no social diversions can work hard. I hardly know how I shall get on without her - but those doubtful situations always adjust themselves. Is Harvey coming on this summer and are you. I suppose you know Rome so that I will not branch forth into Strings of Guide Book information.

My love to those blessed darlings & your sposo. Give my love to Sophie & tell her I answered her letter but fear it was lost with one to Mother which she never got.

Affctly,
Tante Grace.