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My dear Chattie

I will try to fulfil my promise though I feel very unlike writing or any thing else save downright lazyness, so if I go on making mistakes in every line you need not wonder probably you have heard from Willie that he intends to be with you on Sunday and with us on Monday, what stay he makes he does not say, but I fear it will be but a day or two.

Your letter was very acceptable this morning, it made my bread and butter very sweet to hear that Charlie was so much better and the other children so far free from the enemy. This is a most difficult house to get any time to settle to any one thing. Nellie has been trying to read the P M Budget to Father and it has been up and down stairs many times in a half hour. I had to postpone writing till after dinner there were so many interruptions and now must hurry to finish this and write to Aunt Lizzie for I had to put her off last week with a P C.

Jennette went home (?) on Monday evening, she has her time taken up with so much writing people have found out how well she can do it and keep her at it, but she likes it so it is not an irksome duty.

Nellie went yesterday out to the Junction to form a W A Branch at Mrs. Thompson's church, and she is wanted at Allandale for the same purpose indeed I think she might be kept at the work all and every day, the vice P Mrs. Dumoulin was in all the morning confabing matters about the W A work, - the more done the more need of doing, there is an awakening as to the needs of the people at home and abroad. May "Holiness to the Lord" be stamped on all the work. BB went off on Monday early, he may be home tonight he is better, but does not feel that he can take time now for a rest which I'm sure he needs.

Carrie has a good deal of rheumatism and feels disheartened for she cannot comfortably use her crutches and the nurse from Walkers is with her every morning. Annie expects her eldest brother out to spend Easter for which I think Evelyn is rather sorry as she feels they will expect her home with him and she is very unwilling to go till well on in summer. Herbert shewed himself for a while on Sunday not feeling very bright some of the fellows had developed measles and H was disposed to think he would be in for them, but I do not think he was one of a few that hoped to ~~ix~~ have them and so be excused the exams, he promised to send a card if he was in for them as no card so far we conclude he is all right. Norman is uite proud that he can accomplish the feat of raising his G Father from one chair to another quite easily, and as Father came up stairs yesterday he followed in case of a slip but was not needed Alec being taller was called on now and then if Chisholm was out of the way. Carter was absent without leave three evenings last week, and as he got a dismissal from Mrs. Ray we began to think as to what would be done but the man straightened up and is still kept on. Hannah is prospering in the kitchen, is a tolerable cook, and is clean and quick too quick over the ironing which she fails to do satisfactorily.

Our dear love to all the birdies, what holidays have they at Easter? And what do they mean to do with what they may have?

Ever dear Chattie  
Your loving Mother  
Ellen Osler