

He was back in Ferners ^{by November and on the 23rd his mother}
begins her weekly Chronicle ~~that~~ of family events, this:

From his mother
83 Wellesley St. Toronto
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My dear Willie,

Your letter yesterday was very acceptable as it told of your being well and at your usual work - a busy life is yours for mind and body and ditto is the everyday life of dear Grace, things press on one as the days pass and we have need to take a quiet half hour now and then and ponder in our hearts the things of the World to come - our hearts best affections should be on things above, then the strain of daily duties is lightened when all we do is for God's glory and the good of our fellows. "You know these things, happy are ye if ye do them" I am so glad to hear of Norman doing well and of W.F. taking such an interest in his work I daresay the Spirit of his Grandfather has descended on him as the spirit of Dr Bovell rests on you, and as Norman has imbibed from you his love of the Craft. x x x

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So in MS.
Chattie was with us a couple of days, she is too busy to spare much time from home - Aylmer is taking up Jack Rolph for Thanksgiving-tide and she will be needed to look after them as R. and Amy go to Oakville for a few days. You will probably see something of Henrie she took Vaughan home on Saturday the family miss the dear little fellow. And soon they will have to part with Beatrice who is to be married on the 4th of Jany. Rachel and Miss Edgar Bridesmaids Herbert Best Man. poor lad he has had a very severe cold which has affected his throat, he went for a couple of days to Detroit having been off duty for some days. Nellie I am thankful to say is much Edward keeps fairly well occasionally reminders of twinges in knees and ankles. We have Trevor here for some weeks under the care of Dr Reeve - I hope he may be all the better when set at liberty - he is a very nice young lad, and has reason to be very thankful for her family of Mine.

I have my dear Revere smiling at me on the table. What a difference I shall find in him if I live to see him again - he used to have something of a little Samuel about him but of late seems to have another spirit, perhaps he was laughed at when he said his childish prayers and resents it, but he is one of the Lambs of the fold - in my prayers night and morning I bring all these family little ones to the Saviour and ask Him to take them in His arms lay His hands on them and bless them. He did not refuse the Mothers and friends of old and will not turn them away now even though many may desire it.

With best love to dear Grace and kisses - a many to the boy

I am,

Your loving Mother

E. OSLER.

Jennette is well, is here now but is up at Ruth's pretty much while we have Trevor.