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(Dr. W. S. Thayer)

24th. (Jan. 1917?) 13, Norham Gardens, Oxford.

Dear Thayer

I do hope Sister Susan has kept pretty well for Xmas. We were glad to hear from Marjory that she had been better of late That was a great Xmas present that you & those other dear fellows have sent. Such a gem! & I had seen & bid on this very copy years ago. It is a very rare issue. Of course I am delighted with it.

We have been busy wringing the neck of Wilsons peace Dove. I am so sorry he has made this mistake as it ties his hands later. He will be answered in Lincoln's words. It is wonderful how Father Abraham is quoted here - his words are so appropriate. We do not want peace except on terms that will guarrantee its permanency & we all realize what they are.

I have had a sharp attack of bronchitis- I think a little alveolar involvment toc. tho. I had fever for only 3 nights. I am all right again & enjoying a good rest. Revere is pounding away on the ancre & seems very happy. 'Tis a hot spot He is with A.l. men & he is getting accustomed to the incessant whizzing of the shells. Love to you both. & best wishes for 1917

Yours ever

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