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My Darling Edward.

I was glad to get your letter today. it really was quite a long time since you had written. but as you say, it does seem queer to write if there is nothing in particular to say - I myself hate and detest writing, and only do it because you poor Darling would get rather lonely if I did not - I wish we could have a system of wireless between us -

I have not written to Bernard yet - I really think I should have done so before you, but

I just could not.

I feel utterly lonely tonight and want you my own sweet-heart to comfort me. I wonder what you are doing, I hope not working! -

I am glad that you did not go into the ministry, I will tell you why another time, and as for myself, I don't think that I ever could have got up courage enough to go off and be a missionary, at least not in China, or Africa or such places. I think that I have probably been more interested in Dr. Green's mission

than any other³, but probably
that was because you were
there for a summer. Dr Grewel
certainly would have had a
good helper if you had decided
to stay.

I have not yet seen a set of
Dickens I must look at Foster
Brown's - he usually has nice
things, and Clare got a very
nice set for Ruth there.

As to Ruth's letter I did
not enclose it when I meant to
because I forgot - but I expect
it has reached you by now
as I posted it a couple of

days later. ^{4.}

Edward Darling I don't want
you to think that it would break
my heart to leave Montreal, for
I don't think I would mind
very much, as long as I did
not go too far away, I would
not mind going to Toronto in
the least, and perhaps
eventually we could come
back to Montreal. It's a
queer world, and the idea
of my being actually & truly
engaged to be married, positively
frightens me. I always feel
like a bad child, who should
be spanked & put back in the nursery.

I have been skating several times at the Pecks rink, the ice is not up to much, but the rink is so near, and the skating certainly is good exercise.

We have been having such a queer winter, away below zero then up jumps to the then winter & we have a thaw. Last Saturday I was going to skate but of course it was too mild, I was nearly driven desperate for want of exercise, so I got the coal shovel, and shovelled the way — after which I was exceedingly stiff.

I have not had any catarrh
yet, but perhaps will soon.

I was sorry to hear yesterday that
your mother had had a cold.
I must ring her up when I
go down stairs, and ask
how she is.

The Cotalt arrangement is
rather better than you had
hoped for isn't it? - It
would be nice if you could
come back for the 12th. but
I will not count on it.

Would you like to hear
a little about my derms
though quite unexciting

Oh bother this ⁷ dress, every time
I sneeze, I hear something go with
a bang!

I have made several designs
for my white cups, and am
gradually finding out about
how to put on the china paint
So I hope you will see
6 beautiful hand painted
cups when you come back.

I went to supper on Sunday
with the Hubbards, but it was
quite dull, no particularly
interesting people.

Eva & I are going to the
hockey match on Friday

with 2 Swains^{8.} - I expect I
am asked to do the chaperon
deed.

Even is in the next room
making most extraordinary
sounds - which is at least
disconcerting -

Please write to me soon even
if you have nothing special
to tell me. Will you? -

and with much much
much love & a bears
hug from

Lois P.

Ruth told mother that you must
not call it "ting" - I'm afraid
I rather like it. !!!!!!

P.M.O.



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