

Re Alice

Acc. 721/
"851"
of 14th 1916

Dearest Lois,

It seems so long time since we have heard a word from you - no doubt - you have been busy enough - & when there is a family & a household there are no leisure days.

We long to hear that Johnnie is again happy & serene & that he finds his ballets good as ever & the air on the gallery at 19 as sleep-inducing, as here, at 851.

I am sure Alice is busy that earnest absorption in her daily business is in her nerves & blood & what we must see to is that she applies it to the really important & repaying things - of course she wants mainly to help her darling mamma & to give a guiding start to Johnnie.

I met - in the street today, a scaly haired what-
ing a little boy of about a

year - I said a passing
word to her & she said the
child was John Edward
- Holt - Every second
boy now is John, it seems
to me - Curious what has
made everyone suddenly
think of it again -

Eva has gone to the
Laurentians, with Maggie &
a Miss Wells a mature per-
son who has been ill. Eva
has had a cold, & we thought
a little country air wd be
good for her! after her
long & strenuous labours
she has just finished 10
demonstrations of Invalid
Cooking - which sh^d be a
useful course - as it touches
quite a few delicate points
in the culinary art - Eva
left us in a blinding snow
storm - rather unexpected
like - but tomorrow may
be quite clearer again

We saw little Co. last
Sunday - he is a dear little
person - I was at a knit-
ting circle at the Mallons
yesterday - their house is
nice - Did you hear that