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for yourself
yours very affly
Sybil Watson

My dear Lady Dawson

I've not been silent

for want of thought or desire to write
to you - I return with many thanks
your bible-lesson on prayer, which I
enjoyed & which it was most kind
of you to entrust to me.

Before going farther I want to thank
you for sending me a paper, with
the news about Anna's little
daughter, will you give her my love
& tell her that I will send her my
congratulations in a few days.

You will be so glad to have this
time of trouble over.

I feel as if I were quite near to you

my kindest regards to Sir William, & Mrs Florence & with much

because I feel daily that I am
one with you & I always plead
the promise that you & I are asking
the same thing. that is; that Rankin
may come out a Christian. I rarely
forget to ask twice a day, & feel as if
God put him into my mind, some-
times I remember the Moffats but they
dont come to me in the same way.

I like so much what you say about being
prepared to receive the answer to our
prayers. And really I think that this
bond of definite mutual prayer is a
very close & very happy one, I should be
glad to continue it with you, if God
helps us to do so. Could you feel interested
about little Oswald, my sister's boy? as
you said to me, I dont want to lay any
burden on you; but we have not heard a
word about him for more than a year, I
think, & looking at his circumstances from
an earthly point, nothing could be worse

than Capt. Bells influence on a boy; still I
always feel that he is in God's care, not
his Father's; but I've been so longing for
news of him -

I know you will be glad to hear that I am
very well, I've not had a cold since I
saw you & I feel better than I've done for
years. it is so nice to be able to carry
on my work without interruption. &
so many delightful opportunities for
service have been given to me -

My bible class is very interesting, I
divided them into two afternoon teas
& so got to know them a little which
is a great help in teaching them - two
of them are undergraduates of the
college. On Saturday we had all
the lady students to tea & some of the
"Professorines" to help us, & really we
liked them very much & thought the
party quite a success. They have
formed a Y. W. C. A. & asked me to give
them an address next Tuesday (this is
private) as I don't like being supposed to be

a speaker; but of course I am specially glad to be able to exert any influence for Christ in the College & to do them I would help them in any way I could. Is Eva in the Sunny South & are you alone, you must miss her frightfully, I cant fancy you without her.

Papa is greatly troubled just now about Prof. Young's serious illness - since I was interrupted this morning we have heard of his death - he was a fine old man & a great favourite with the students - he leaves two nieces to whom he had been a Father.

Kelly says "most decidedly," when I ask if she wants to send her love, the pleasant aroma you left behind, she lingers in all our minds - with warmest love I was about to conclude; but I pause to ask what became of William for he never came to Toronto - His name reminds me of Mrs Priestly, who was here the last time he called & from her my thoughts go to Mrs Doire, whom I think you knew, she is now a widow, poor thing. Please give