

1906 - at art school 19 East 41st Street

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Saturday P.M.

My dearest Mother,
So glad to feel
your letter & also one from
Clare from Woodstock. Thanks
also for the paper. Another
week gone & I feel that
we have gained a week
more in our drawing. I
did three compositions for
the class last Wednesday
to represent "winter" which
was the subject given -
To my infinite surprise
two out of my three were
kept & one of them got
almost more praise than
any other. As Dr. Pond did
not keep more than seven or
eight altogether, so you can

Imagine I was pleased. Sad
to relate all the best things
I am doing you will never
see ~~but~~ because they are
kept for the exhibition in
June! This weeks subject
is "labour" & I am struggling
with a scene in the glass
works - which being very
ambitious will probably not
be successful. All week with
my drawing of the life I
felt very much discouraged
- I did not feel seem to fit
it at all right, however when
Mr Foste came round he
initialed mine which is always
supposed to be quite an honour;
there were five or six others
who got it also this week.

2) I never got such a surprise
as when I saw the fish
swimming round the walls,
so to speak - they looked
like series of wonderful,
coloured moving pictures. I
had expected that they would
all be in tanks & that we
would have to look down on
them from above. The way
the lighting was arranged
you could see the movements
so wonderfully & the marvellous
semi-transparencys & colour
of the fish. I am just longing
to go again. We got home
for tea as Mrs. Molson was
coming to have it with us.
We dined with the Fred Molson
& Mrs. Mack. Molson Thursday
night at such a nice hotel
n 35th Street - the Georgian

then went to the theater after.
We had a most amusing time
sitting there. We took the cars
& only got part-way when
we had to get out as there
was a fire & the way was
blocked with hose & reels
& all sorts & conditions of
things & people. Poor Mr. Molen
had such a time looking
after us & he was so funny
over it. He would "say come
along first" to the 4 of us & then
every now & then he would
'turn around & count to see
if all were there. He vowed
he never again would undertake
the responsibility without an
assistant. What do you think?
But you must not mention
this! Mrs. Blackader wrote
(without Elsie's knowledge) to
know if we cd. get a room