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Dearest Bernard, your Dinan  
letter was received yesterday Vol.  
B.S. to Mrs. Ingleton. I can easily  
see from his letters, how his  
minded is expanding, & his atti-  
tude changing. I sh<sup>d</sup> not wonder  
if he wd. keep regard Westmin-  
ster abbey with wholly differ-  
ent eyes, if he passed through  
there again. How fortunate  
you were to see the people enfile  
! The best I had not have been pleas-  
ant, but I don't know where  
you'd have escaped it, unless  
by accompanying William who  
departs 50: as usual, & has some  
chillblains. I feel like you  
very much to see the lad leave  
if it were for a year, as even  
then, I wd. not mind as it might  
make a man of him, but he is  
young to leave home & social  
advantages, & live a solitary  
life for so many years, before  
he can look to a home of his own.  
I did write to Ida Berwash  
& ask her if she cd. arrange to  
take him in to board. Of course  
I put it as nicely as I cd. & I had  
consulted Harriet K. as to whether  
I might venture. She replied from  
Dunbar that she wd. think it over  
& write to me later when she

had returned home. She w<sup>d</sup> be  
an excellent person for B. indeed  
w<sup>d</sup> represent a liberal education  
for him. she w<sup>d</sup> speak of books  
& help him in many ways.  
so there is one bright streak -  
I was wondering if B. himself  
had any clearer ideas as to  
whether he wanted to learn  
more or not. I have wondered  
whether he c<sup>d</sup> not take simply  
English, French & Physics, & then  
go on to Chemistry, Biology & Geol-  
ogy. but of course that has the  
disadvantage of leading to nothing  
& again confronting him with  
all his weak points. & conse-  
quent dis-couragements. Do your  
best to make him think it out  
for himself. We might tell him  
that if he does well with the  
business, that at the end of a  
year, he can again choose if he  
finds he wants more education  
& I suppose he is not bound to  
remain with the bus. if anything  
better turned up. Now we can  
see how he stands the work  
physically.

Col. has had a hard time  
studying in the great heat, &  
the day of the exam. was over  
90° & it must have been a  
wonderful crowd that assembled  
Col. reports that he answered  
correctly 7 out of 8 on his first

paper - & thinks he is all right  
on the 2<sup>d</sup> also - I will enclose  
his letter. I sent a check to  
Joseph to pay water bill, Christy  
& the \$25.00 per for Conrad at  
the office & I will send him  
one of my own checks - for the  
\$20.00 due at the camp. I sh<sup>d</sup>  
have had more of your check  
as often to send smaller sums  
we have been convenient  
& I sh<sup>d</sup> not send them, as I  
had so few - but I will  
get through all right. I will  
enclose Coris letter if I can

you will be sorry to hear  
of Mupildis death, I cut the  
contract from a h. H. paper sent  
to you - the other enclosure  
Joseph asked me to forward -  
he has had a splendid trip &  
much enjoyed it -

I told you that Merrill Cas-  
siti's wedding was to be on the  
26<sup>th</sup> & suggested the possibility  
of your getting a present - did I  
not - We still have vague  
ideas of where you go after  
London - but am sure you  
will enjoy it - only hope you  
won't have un-pleasant in  
Scotland - it can be so dis-  
perately wet - there -

It is quite chilly here now, & we had rain last night but not much, under the spruce trees has not been wet since we came down. Even the potatoes they say, are little use, the old are done & we have to search for the new, which are as small bullets.

Ann is to have a birth day tomorrow - so we shall be in fête - she is a dear girl she is going over Lady of the Lake with Will, & I don't see but will have a more friendly feeling to the "Lady" during the winter in consequence.

Lais has stuck to the Arctic melic like a leech. I have given her 25<sup>cts</sup> a week to encourage her & add to her small pocket money - I am still much exercised as to Will's going to St John's as a weekly boarder will have to write about a week of week & am hoping that I may hear from you on the matter before long. It is so very difficult to tell best but must not waste time this year if anything can prevent.  
Sincerely  
Anna