

Little Melis
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Dearest - W - It seems ridiculous
that I have not managed to get
a few minutes to write to you
the past two days, but everything
seems to be verging to a climax
& there has been so much driving
& sailing, & in & outing, that every
moment has been full. Mrs
Mrs Malson is leaving on Friday
& insists upon going by the
Kalifas express at the very early
hour, Tucky, Miss Holmes & I
have all opposed it, but in
vain, so thus it is. We have
had a great feast of melons as
two or three times a basket
has come from Piedmont & they
have been delicious. The toma-
toes too are wonderfully good
owing to the heat -
your last letter was to
Hath Lois from Linnus, we
cannot decide how to pronounce
it but it looks familiar as also
St. Malo from the "Travailleurs de
Mer". It is most surprising that
the people still consider themselves
Bretons, not French. & yet -

the Welsh w^d not-call themselves
English w^d they?

Really everything seems to
have worked together for good
in your trip, the Peterson boys
will be very good for B.S. & V. I
dare say Maurice saw more
of the country than usual when
he went-fishing with him -
Mrs B. is always charming & in
for the wily head, I can well
believe that he is smart local
as a family man - What is
Willie going to do now? I
was surprised at your sailing
so late as the 20th but very
glad also, for both your sakes
I suppose you will write to
Mr. McLaughlin & tell him when
B.S. will be on hand. By the
way do get the last 6 pairs of
whiter socks, he knows what
he has had, two pair of drawers
not-lamb's wool but went ^{days} ^{ago}
ties, gloves ^{etc} - It will cost you
much less than at home & they
are really needed - I will have
to go with him when he leaves
Cow does not enjoy the
camp, he says they have to wash
very hard, both day & night
the weather frightfully hot &
the food ill-cooked & starchy
I fear he has had rather a

hard summer, but the heat-
surely must be over before long
The wind will seem better if the
weather is more moderate, but
if that Mr. Kerly has the contract
you remember Victor's stories
I wd. be sorry if you do not
see glo - M. spoke of her going
to Broadstairs. What you will
enjoy seeing Lybel & Scotland
Do try & stir up what scotch
may be within you, to enjoy
the heather hills, the jaughlin
fields, the dew & fragrant tempus
& craving for education of the
people who have succeeded

We had a party last
night - Luis wishing to enter
take Maely K & Margary Morgan
we had Archie Ginn, Hugh Rich,
Teddy Toney, & two older men
Lulu Cook, & Ned Featherston
the latter has taken to appearing
on all occasions, there seems to
be a "sympatico" between the
Feathers & Harringtons. Luis & Harold
were a great deal together, &
will just adore Muriel &
Bernard might like to know that
all the men of the family are
solid in this matter
Ruth looks much more like
herself, & has done some quite
good things, made lots of
sunset-studies, but it is hard

to work here, & wish we could
stay later, I have the long clear
days - It won't be very long
now before we all are home
again. I have much we will
have to talk over, & how much
we have to be thankful for -

Love to the long boy from
all - Mrs Malson was very
pleased with his letter.

This morning Kulla & Olava
have been sailing with Mrs Cook
& her family etc. this M. M. & Olava
are driving with two other
girls & taking 5th tea - Clara
& Eva are going up to Mr
Hutch's Lake at 12th to return
after tea - Will has had less
fun than any of them, but
Kately has taken quite a fancy
to the eldest - Cautlin, whom he
spoke of as Nuff Cautlin, she
may be 8 or 9 - he rows her out
in the boat - or paddles her out
in his punt - The Wadsworth
boy was very nice & quite an
ingenious boy who loved to
chuck with tools, but he was
only here now & again - then off
to more boy-like joys.

affectionately
Aunt