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4 P.M.

Dearest Minnie,

What shall I say to you for not taking part of yr. "numeral" to tell us the result of yr. talk with David Scull or at least to give me an idea of his tone? I hope I shall fare better to "numeral" you -

Re, Inquire about the sum - I am only wondering whether by any untimely chance anyone will try to investigate the present condition of affairs at the school as to discipline, intercourse with boys & the rest - I wish the sum had happened when we had a more creditable representative than Mrs. Colvill at its head.

To "numeral" I suppose I shall have yr. ans. to my opinion on the eye subject - My dear, you are apparently pleased if that I shall spend no time at all at home before going to Chicago when you quietly suggest "in the week" after. The end of that

② week after being May 6th, just one week
before we start in Chicago - I say
nothing of the difficulty that I spoke
of of getting glasses right in a hurry -
I have always got it rather a slow
business - Of course there is no prospect
of your being able to come on here next
week and what do you mean by saying
that if I came in "straight" we would spend
the last day or two better ditto the
next week? The next week is the
wedding of course but the week before
I do not understand how you could -
My cold I think was almost gone this morn
when I woke up at 7.15 (wasn't that
doing well?) but it came back afterward
a little so that I am still taking med-
icine & feel very uncomfortable.


I feel so much better however that
I think I can read Peter & began to read
the 1st chapter & part of the 2^d with great
enjoyment & then to my distress - feel
ill - or I suppose I was not quite

up to it & after luncheon went hurried
back to Gold's "Lancet Bulletin" & finished
it just as Dr. C. came. The volume of
her note for you all the student, & says she
will be in much better condition to work of
than she was before, just little "W" p.

I am so sorry that you have begun wheezing
at night again - are you still taking your
tonic & your wine? Answer please -
shall I send you some more wine? You
certainly ought to keep on with it and to
keep up your wine & I am afraid you must
let them more than half the wine even
when you are normally taking them -
How is Annie?

7.40 P.M. - Being tired I stopped here to read
a little more Pater, this time without going
to sleep & when I got tired of it, turned to a
very different order of things, namely
wh. I had got this to get for me this afternoon
having had now for some time a desire
to read it - Then Lucia came & stayed
until dinner time & she left me a message

④ In sum, that I can have the cottage she has
taken at St. Hubert's Inn in the Reserve
for all or any part of the season except
the month of August when she expects
to use it herself. I can have the refusal
of it for 48 hrs. There being some one else who
wants it. He has just heard that she has
it & it is very desirable & attractive. a
charming sitting room & 2 large bedrooms
on the 1st floor with a big piazza, 54 bed-
rooms on 2d floor with an attic, with a
bath room & wardrobe & plentiful supply
of delicious water & the Reserve people
take care of it for you so that there is no
need to take anyone but a maid unless
you wish to. If I could say in July it
would be to stay this August it would not be
easy to get rooms with in Hotel in one
of the cottages. What do you think of staying
it for Sept. 1st until end of season or would
you take it for beginning of season, in case
of Isletto proved desirable I will away
to go there for August & then to St. Hubert's
you come to me at Isletto and go
with me to the other dacha

Let me know how this strikes you and
 to return mail, and I must give an
 answer. I think  if I do not hear
 from Mr. Mayer to-morrow I shall
 write him again, as it is 10 days since
 I wrote & the 13th is not far off. We
 must know about the possibilities of
 the western plan.

I am afraid I shall miss the mail,
 so good bye. I will give a letter to-mor-
 row telling you how things are for I,
 Love of yours,
 Wm. S.