

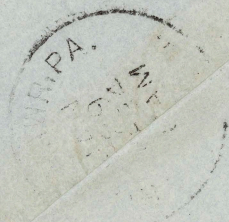


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I wish I could tell you before I go to sleep
to-night, my darling, whether the blizzard
drive to-day increased your cold - I am
so afraid it did, for that coat was cer-
tainly not warm enough - It was a great
pleasure to have the drive with you, but I was
so sorry about your missing meeting & all -
Well, my history is that first, I found Mary
B. & Miss L. in the waiting room on the
look out for me & got them off by their hair
(wh. was 12.35!), but alas! when I got
to Dr. Da C.'s, the servant said he had
waited for me until 12.10 & that I must
wait no longer & that my telegram
had arrived after he had gone, & further,
that his dinner hour was 2.30 when he
knew I'd be in but possibly not.

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As I really th't it best to see him, I
decided to wait ^{overly} & if necessary ~~wait~~
in the 40' cl. train, so I went to the
Bellevue & got a very comfortable
lunch. Then drove out & enquired
in Mr. Childs' ⁱⁿ whose condition the
nurse said there was "no change"
and then went back to Dr. Da C.'s &
waited until about 2.40 when
he came in & in a moment or two
came in & read my letter. He
was as nice as possible at first &
I explained how it had happened.
As soon as he heard me cough he
got out his stethoscope & proceeded
to listen very carefully, with the result
of finding that I have a little
bronchitis, wh. he wishes to cure
as quickly as may be. I had a
mixture filled as soon as I left

with a dose immediately. He told
me to be careful about night air, to
breathe as little as possible, but that I
might go to Dr. S.'s in a closed cab,
if I was better. To-morrow if
I shall not go, however. I thought
as I certainly want to get rid of
it. He much approved my being
away from home under all the circum-
stances & quite agreed that it wd
not have been easy to get rid of the
cold there. Do not be worried, my dear
one, for I can take ^{care of} myself here & cer-
tainly will do so. He is going to send
me a diet list to-morrow & will they
in a little later tell me what he
wants me to do next, but justly
all he wishes to dispense of the
cold.

My hair was very combed &
I got up here before 7 & left Mr. B.

waiting in the rooms, Miss L. Sharp
 fine & dainty - I'm will be pleased
 to hear that they had were registered
 (by M.B.) as Miss Ganett's maid and
 Miss Bond - The rooms will
 have to be changed in the morning
 but he seems ready to do everything -
 In spite of his telegrams, he had no
 room ready in Miss L., & said he
 that I wished 2 beds in my room &
 my maid in the room next me -
 He has plates because they are in the
 doves of the rooms - Tell Mammie
 our duties was very good, so that
 I hope she is going to be promoted with
 her mistress at the table -

Dr. Da C. said Mr. Childs was a
 very ill man & that he felt very
 anxious & troubled about him -
 He did not say there was no hope
 and I of course did not say

but I inferred ² that he thought they
was none — He  is about 67 or 68,
he thinks —

I have just stopped to write a
note to Dr. Da C. & shall not go out
until I hear from him, so Marys
can feel easy — And now my dear
I must say goodnight for I bed,
as I am very tired — I hope you are
in bed & will wake up a little less
tired to-morrow — Don't forget to tell
me what you do all this month
and please, please be careful about
letting mixed up with it —

Even that little glimpse was a great
comfort & will make the next sleep
easier — And so, goodnight again,
with so much longing to say it to
give you the kiss that I love yours —

Mary S.

Don't forget my message to Miss M.
and give my love to Mamma & Papa