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Dear Boy-

When I went up to my room tonight to put Andrew to bed. It looked so comfortable and pleasant. I wished you were there - It is an immense relief to have the children all well again and to be out of pain with my hands. I can't bend that first finger yet without feeling faint but it will probably come right in time. It looks all right but is contracted. The Mary nurse continues to do very well. Emma is noisier than you can imagine and does as she pleases with her Grandma who buys her fresh flowers and also whatever she demands. She grows so nothing for her. And Andrew has outgrown everything she has. She is fearfully thin. - No trouble to content -

glad the work I have to do. I'm all
legs myself. Dudu sends you her love
and lots of kisses says she wants to
see you - Emma is insatiable about
stories takes them all in - she is very
smart and independant - she sleeps
in her Grandma's room and I have
Dudu and Orey - Pann is well and
happy - he is very much improved -
his clothes have all worn out and
I shall have to buy him some more -
Orey has a terrific cough - Today I
took Dudu around to Julia's with
me - you don't know how we miss
Leanie - Tomorrow I expect to go
to Greenwood with Mr Thornton
to look for a lot to bury little
Leanie in - as they don't want to
keep her in the vault any longer -
Julia is so sick she will probably
not be well enough to go - she does
not dare go out alone she gets so
faint - I went to the Dentists and to
the dress makers with her yesterday
and she was very sick.

you know dear Boy that if my inclin-
ations were consulted I'd go home to
you very soon - but I do think it
would be wrong to leave Mother
now - she'd be entirely alone, as
India is unable to take care of
herself - Father is not to be depended
on for any care of her - and she needs
watching and cheering - I feel dear
Mercedes that I ought to stay - and
I believe, hope and pray that it
is all for the best - You can make
yourself comfortable and I will
go back to you and you will be
able to appreciate me better and
I can do as well by the children
here as there. I know it's very lonely
for you and I wish I could be
in two places at once. It's not
easy to keep smooth with all
here - but I and the children are
comfortable and I do not have to
work at all since I hurt myself so.

For your own satisfaction I hope you will
snake a turn in blocks sometime -
I don't expect you to send me lots
of money and do not need it I
think I will not send Pam to
School after this term which ends
the 11th of April - unless you wish it.
Give my love to the Taylors and Randalls.
I am glad the Country is looking
so nicely - You must write me how
you are feeling - I wish I knew what
you think best for me to do. Good
night. Perhaps I'll have a letter from
you in the morning - I am
your
sincerely -

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