

My precious,

I never can tell you what these weeks have been, nor thank you enough (only thanks don't come into it with us, do they?) for all your loving care + the [even more?] time spent with me. I thought yesterday if i had a nice independent character like our friend I'd have met you at H. station + let [Hearn?] send for my bag, but I didn't, I just [tamely?] came back + rested, + A. Paul came + spent night! Leaves this a.m. it has been lovely seeing her + I'm not a bit too tired. Isn't this a surprise on Bob's part? I'll telegraph him that we are expecting to be in G. town with Shippen + Esther. Things are so uncertain, but I must send him something

positive so he can plan, dear thing.

I'm sending you Lulu's letter please explain to S. + E. + then send to Uncle H. will you?

I'm sending Arthur the time tables + wish he were coming on Friday. It would be so much more restful + peaceful to have an unhurried visit. Do tell him so if you talk to him.

Thanks a thousand times for your dear + welcome letter. I wish you were here now this minute. I do miss you most [drefful?] but the time doesn't seem long, not a bit like looking into a vague indefinite emptiness. I feel as if I were just pausing to pack my trunk. Good bye [lovely?]. A. H. to send back. A.P. will leave while I'm doing it.

Your [underlined] loving [/underlined] mother

And much to S. + E.

Wednesday

[written in margins going around page:] Don't say any thing after all to A. [Helen?] about today, [father?] will come very soon + it will be lovely to see him here. Had nice nap. Am now going out for 1 ½ hrs. I wish you were here this minute [Mother?]