

60-11-11

Dearest Ellie.

Your delightful letter was most welcome

I will write a few words in reply tho' to reply^{years} to such a perfect & charming letter would be quite out of the question for Caroline

Amelia -

I should think you would be simply dying to see your eldest

son after all his long time
and all you & he have been
through with us all this time
I can hardly wait to see my
son after a couple of months.
I am perfectly delighted to
hear he is coming home for
the Christmas vacation.

I was glad on many accounts
to get your letter. I think it
is simply fine, the work you
are doing in Oxford - no doubt
that is one reason you are sent

There instead of coming here
as soon as you had expected.
Keep all your papers & give
the same study class here
with you? We need it in
a desperate way -

I have loads to say - No
you are the first idea I had
that Willie was coming -

I think it is perfectly lucky
that Willie is on the front
fall team - if he had been
in the other position it would

how soon - I'm sure of that
only think of Milla being
able to be a football and
able to be in Glee Club - I
should really think that
you would burst with family
even if he is "bunged" up.
I am so glad MMT's is going
to housekeeping, it will be so
much more fun - I know
eight teachers here who have
two flats & keep house & like it
so well.

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I think her house is
dear.

It was nearly that I
could not be with you all
on Friday - but I was
ill in bed that night
& Sat. & ought to have
been on Sunday & today
So doubtless it was the
best thing that I was

not out in N.Y.

Please tell Mary to be
sure to let me know

when she comes to N.Y.
as I want to see her.

I have a number of things

I want to talk with you

about - too long to write.

Just come better let

me know when she comes

back to N.Y. or she will

find me not speaking

the next time I see her.

I think it will be long to

have a big family in these

coming Christmas days -

doubt let us try to give

presents, & give beyond

our means - but just have

a good time together -

I shall simply die for

that darling Gertrude - at
Christmas time - I hardly

From her to placed it to
limits of not having her
time at that time - in
all so go mild on her
loneliness - and all so
exceeding fond of her -

I am off now - Do
you call this frightful
rambling a "happy
gift" - I am sorry not to
spare you - I'm so busy &
have had so many calls. Love
Catherine