

Dec, 18<sup>th</sup> 1906.

I think I shall be  
here over the holiday  
or may go to S. I then  
for the next decade  
How I wish I could  
see you! We enjoyed  
only so much last  
summer. When  
shall we all meet  
again. Keep well &  
happy and don't  
forget your Grandmother  
and how much she

never you know by, darling think

The handkerchief  
case is a patent  
of Aunt Mary  
L. I have never  
used it for that  
purpose but think  
it might be  
worth. I washed  
it, and such  
making the bag

E. it is disgraceful but  
being in a hurry and not  
seeing any ink must be my  
apology. This night I have  
given you your birthday &  
think the color <sup>gloves</sup> is rather  
appropriate for an old man.  
The poor Dr. will say he  
he will find some pretty  
young girl to mend his  
broken heart! Soon you  
will see your dear mother  
& the others, & I trust have  
a happy time & get a good rest.

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