

It is a handsome panne velvet  
beats with peacock feathers and  
has a moderately nice brim -  
It is so handsome and cheap and  
near perfect somebody to enjoy it  
if I can't have it. It is quite like  
the hat Eugenie sent to Mary Belle  
so I would rather like to offer it to  
Ellen - if she should want it.  
It is really a little nicer than  
the one Eugenie sent as it  
has a little more peacock &  
I do not know whether  
travels it or not. I suppose she  
does not get out much, and  
would feel as Gertrude does to  
eliminate any thing which is not  
useful. I will have to see if Miss  
Potts can change it any for me  
in case it is not wanted elsewhere.  
Gertrude is home now & will take this  
one, but as always - Mary & I like

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My dearest sister Ellen,

Thank you for your letter  
always so glad to hear from you  
and more than glad to know  
that you are better in health.  
You know we are looking forward  
to a long visit from you next  
Summer - you and dear Mary -  
here or at Oxford, as I have to be  
there next year again. I had  
such a wonderful fire in  
my dear home at Oxford  
and you know what that means  
because you enjoy your home -  
so do I enjoy it to the full, whether  
I am there or not, just the  
remembrance of past days and  
what is that dear home mean  
so much to me. I never cease

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being thankful for that home  
in dear Oberlin. Sometimes  
get married for fear you will  
try to part with it, and then  
get nearly wild with fear.  
It is sweet you have dear Ellen's  
lovely name to enjoy with dear  
Will so kind and true and the  
dear grand children there -  
You think all much love from  
me. What a grand time we  
all had at Evelina's wedding,  
one long to be remembered.  
I hope you did not long feel the  
ill effects of your terrible bump  
the night of the wedding when  
you drove out to the Lake.  
Grandee why you have such high  
blood pressure. Are you careful  
about your diet. No meats, no bread  
very few potatoes or re-n-

I know you always have had great digestive  
trouble so much the thankful for. I am wonderfully  
glad that you may also order your dear Gertrude to  
do nothing at all as concerning things. Especially just  
now, I do not see how she can get along - but she is  
so faithful to her instructions. I am much kinder  
about. But I must hasten to a close as the day wears  
and I am writing now so peculiarly to save you  
Evelina's letter. so I can't quite understand whether  
my hat would be a pleasure or a bother to her to wear.  
For if she does not like hats much. I should have had to  
for I wear a hat so little - yet one must have a hat!  
The hat I think I prefer - so I am sure I should have written  
best - looks so of it - never had been worn - I do not think it is  
very becoming - I am so glad not to wear it -