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My dearest Mother

I know you will feel anxious to hear how our little Deedie is and will feel truly thankful with me that she had no return last night and seems ~~to day~~ this afternoon decidedly better. I was very sorry after I had sent my letter to you that I had not known in time to tell you that the Dr would return in the evening and stay all night so as to go out shooting this morning. and it was a great relief to my mind to know that there was a Dr. in the house I can assure you. By the time he got here yesterday morning she was so much better that we began to think that we would be thought equal to the Dillon's. I gave her the dose of oil and she took it beautifully, mixed with ~~milk~~