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My dearest Mother

While Deedie is asleep I will begin my letter to you and first let me tell you how much I enjoyed your nice long letter last night Saturday's letters are always particularly acceptable as I am alone always that evening and then it is so long from Tuesday until Saturday.

I was very much gratified by Annie Perot's invitation and shall certainly have great pleasure in accepting it indeed I felt, before I read the latter part of your letter quite at a loss how to answer, it was so pressing and kind that it seemed to me that it would be rude to decline it. Little Mary does sleep in a cradle and while I could get along without one it will be very like