

The older they grow, the harder it is, & will be, on her. I do think anxiously of her, in the long winter nights - bad roads & storms, when she & John are alone on that place - not a soul within reach or call, in case of sudden illness to send for a Dr. or help. But I hope they will be spared that trial, as they have been, so far.

Kenney goes regularly now to his little School & enjoys it. The regular exercise, & occupation & being with children, will be good for him, in every way, I hope; & the gentle firm, discipline & control of the teacher, I have great hope will show itself in his improvement.

Baie is stronger now - but all thro' the fall, she felt the effect of her long & serious sickness. Kenney keeps well as usual.

Baie G. came on Tuesday, for a couple of weeks, & you know, how thankful I am to have her. I cannot get reconciled to being separated from the girls & Loupierre - tho' I am almost half the year with the girls. But except when we are to ourselves, in their own room, it is so different there, & no pleasure. They have not suffered, from cold, as I feared they would do. In case the coal failed, they have a gas stove, which we keep their room, warm as they want it. Loupierre has kept very well & has some pupils - but lost some because of the heavy work required by the School teachers. No time left, for music. I trust after