

DOUGLAS FAMILY

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21 Grace Rd., Tauranga, New Zealand
15 October 1985

Dear Dr Douglas

1985 so far has been a year of joy and sorrow. The happy part was that I was honoured to receive advice from our Governor-General that "it is proposed to submit your name to The Queen for the honour of Officer of the British Empire (OBE) in recognition of your services to New Zealand, on the occasion of the New Year". The public announcement was made in our media on 29 December and that started a flood of telegrams, personal and telephone calls and letters from all over New Zealand. Then on 29 May I attended the Investiture at Government House, Wellington, and at a simple ceremony, but very impressive, received the insignia of the Order with about 70 others who were recipients of various civil and military honours. In the evening of that day I invited a number of my old Wellington friends and working associated to a cocktail party at a friend's home to celebrate. These people had all contributed significantly to my achievements over the years. I was extremely glad that my brother and sister-in-law from here (Tauranga) were able to be with me and I have some lovely photographs taken by the official photographer, the Press and by my sister-in-law as lasting memories.

The sad news is that since our return from the Investiture in June my brother Allan's health has been gradually deteriorating. He has been suffering from the same blood cancer as my older brother died of about 7 years ago and has known since the diagnosis about five years ago, that there was no cure. He went straight into hospital for a blood transfusion the day after we got home and was in and out of hospital having treatment until we were told about the middle of August that there was nothing more the doctors could do for him and his prognosis was that he could live for only about two more months. As I write this his end is very close. He came home from hospital about 20 August and June, his wife, has been nursing him there. She has had wonderful support from the doctors, the local hospital, public health nurses and particularly her family. But it is a very traumatic time for all of us.

I am giving June whatever help she asks from me and unfortunately it has meant I have had to forego attending the International Congress of the International Federation of Business & Professional Women which is taking place in Auckland here this very week. I had registered to attend but did not feel I could go away from Tauranga at this time. There are about 1000 women there from over 50 countries and as I know from my attendance at a similar one in Buenos Aires, Argentina, in 1974, they are very exciting and stimulating meetings.

I am most thankful that my health this year has been very much better than last. Also my sister in England has recovered remarkably well from her two major cancer operations last year.

I wish you a very happy 1985 Christmastide and everything you yourself wish for in the New Year to come.

Ria McBride

N.2.

Thinking of You
On Your
Birthday



Happy Birthday

Hope it adds some special pleasure
To the hours of "your day"
To know you're being thought of
In the very warmest way
And when your birthday's over
Hope you'll remember, too
That the same warm thoughts as always
Will keep going out to you!

From your friends at
Sydenham St. United Church

Helen McLaughlin
Pastoral Care Committee

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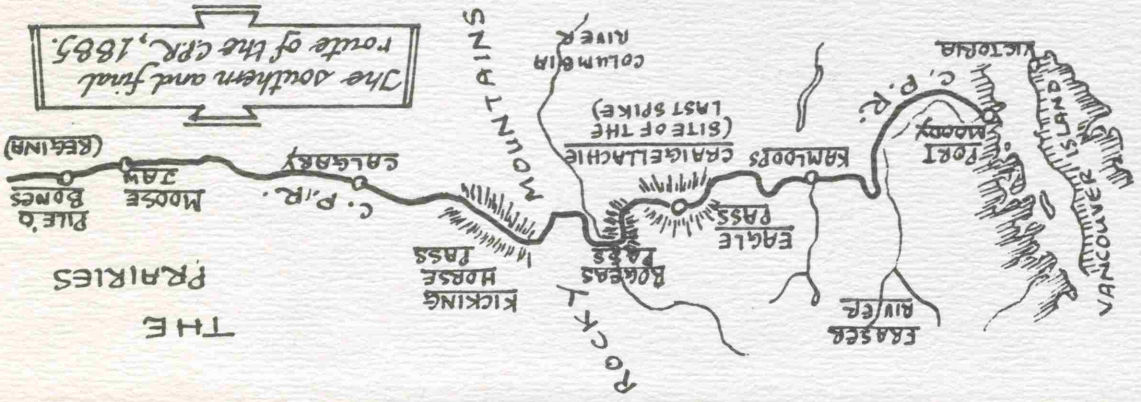
*With
Best Wishes for Christmas
and the New Year*

With love from Frank & Sheila

▲ hand WFM crafted ▲

Ocean to Ocean
 Port Moody was not the final terminus though. The C.P.R. decided on a better location further down Burrard Inlet, at Vancouver. The survey for the extension of line was completed a year later, on Christmas Eve, 1886.

—|| THE PRESENT LORD STRATHCONA HAS PRESENTED TO THE C.P.R. THE ORIGINAL LAST SPIKE, BENT BY HIS ANCESTOR'S FIRST BLOW, AT CRAIGELACHIE, ONE HUNDRED YEARS AGO. ||—



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CENTENNIAL

The Last Spike, 7 Nov. 1885

A MARI USQUE AD MARE

Canadian Pacific!

A transcontinental railway line was imperative for national development and communications, and to hold a restless British Columbia within Confederation. But the task was beset with the enormous difficulties of distance and terrain, and with financing problems. Completing the line is often described as the greatest railway feat in history!

The Last Spike

Line construction was proceeding east from Port Moody, on Burrard Inlet, B.C., and west from Fort William, and the plan was to meet in Eagle Pass, at a place called CRAIGELLACHIE. The two ends of steel grew ever closer, finally meeting at the planned location 7th November, 1885, when the last spike, made not of gold but of the same iron as was used throughout, was driven by Donald A. Smith (Lord Strathcona). Also present were Sandford Fleming, William Van Horne, and other officials, and ordinary workmen. The act was completed in awed silence, and the simple ceremony concluded with a brief speech by Van Horne; then the conductor called "All aboard for the Pacific!" The transcontinental line had been completed to tidewater, and by December 1885, trains were running between Montreal and the Pacific. What a Christmas present for Canada!

~~... on the 7th November last, at Craigellachie, B.C., after 53 months of arduous labour ... the last rail was laid ... On the same day, Her Majesty the Queen ... congratulated the people of Canada ... within 3 or 4 weeks from this time; through freight and passenger trains will be running regularly between Montreal and the Pacific Ocean."~~

from: CPR 5th Annual Report, 1886.

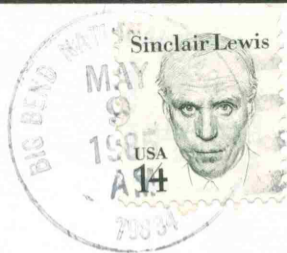
Very Best wishes to Dr Douglas
for a joyous Christmas, and a
happy New Year, and with
thanks for your kind support of the
Special Collections Publications Fund at
Queen's for my retrieval last fall. Bill Morley



RIO GRANDE AND SIERRA DEL CARMEN RANGE
Big Bend National Park, Texas

The majestic beauty of Mexico's Sierra del Carmen presents a dramatic background for the Rio Grande when viewed from Big Bend National Park, Texas.

May 8th 1985
 Big Bend National Park



Dear Aunt Allie

Texas, and especially Big Bend National Park are magnificent. The park is a wonderful mixture of desert and mountains. Rosalind and I, in an attempt to avoid the great heat, have swum the Rio Grande river over into Mexico..

Today we bathed in some Hot Springs (105°F) and then jumped into the river to cool off. The birds are

ADDRESS

Dr. A.V. Douglas

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Ont. CANADA

colourful. Thank you for a wonderful stay at 402. Please to leave me a message.

Dec

Darling beloved Pat

This Aug + Sept letter never
got posted - miserable me!

Now I have your lovely one from
Bath, Nov 25 - Isabel is a grand
little punner. Your description of
flowering bushes is so good.

Here all is grey + wet today
Mammae bicycled to classes + labs
+ is very busy + happy.

My took us to a good concert recently.

The Messiah will be sung here soon,
+ as Alice had never heard it entire,

he is coming to me for it. It is sung
in the RC Cathedral - good acoustics.

I have vivid memories of it in the
Royal Albert Hall in War years and
subsequently.

Mary comes here for Dec 15 and
Mammae has asked the Coleman + Bielen
to come to tea. So we will celebrate
my 90 years - I hardly believe it

BATH
JAN 7/1985!

Dearest Aunt Allie,
Happy New Year! We have not written for such a long time but have been thinking of you so much! It was grand to hear even a few words during your great birthday party. We look forward to letters from Stephen + Co telling of all the festivities and of the Christmas gathering in Ottawa. Wonderful that Paul Douglas was able to fly home for the holiday too. I hope they all had some great skiing days in the Gatineau Hills as we did last year when you stayed in Toronto with Audrey and Nasseem the Cat + her kittens!

We had Christmas at the School House in Howgill + friend from Surrey came up to join us. Isabel and their two children Katie + Becky slept in a Caravan at a farm about a mile further along the lane so we were not too crowded in the house. Having the extra bodies certainly warmed up the place. The first few days were very wet and foggy but on Christmas Eve dawn it cleared up and about midnight Audrey + I went for a short walk - the stars were marvelous - I wish I could remember the names you have told me so many times - a poor student! On Boxing Day it snowed - about 2-3 inches - the hills were simply beautiful - all the contours and peaks clearly etched in white + shadows. The kids had a super time sledding and getting rid of pent-up energy from so much eating. On Thursday the 27th Dec our friend left + Ingram + Monyga + Emma Cleasby arrived loaded with sleds, skis, a wheelbarrow + a telescope, pot of turkey stew, presents for us + lots of warm

to London Bridge St. + home to Beachheath in Greenwich.
 new baab in Bath + getting ready for school starting tomorrow
 + Unpacking etc. Quite a wonderful holiday! So very much love to
 you + Marianne!
 Pat

bedding as the house does not have enough
 bedclothes for everyone in winter
 condition. The Cleasbies were all in good
 form. John + Sig + Orion - your grand great
 nephew had been with them in Chester for
 Christmas but had gone back to London
 soon after. They now have a flat in
 Maeda Vale thanks to Ingram putting some
 ecclesiastical strings, and John is working
 quite hard at the bookbinding trade.

Sadly we did not see them while in London
 but I will try to see them soon. I have
 almost finished knitting a sweater for
 Orion which will probably be far
 too big for him.

After leaving Howgill on the 29th
 we visited Audrey's father in Norfolk -
 he is in good form and he + May send
 their very best wishes to you. Then to
 Norwich - lovely Organ choral in the
 Cathedral - + stayed on New Year's Eve with
 an old Oxford friend of Audrey's - very
 welcoming - they have two small
 adopted boys full of beans. Five years
 ago Christine helped bath them + put
 them to bed - this time their mother teased
 them that this would happen again - great
 screams + snipping away - lots of fun.
 Down the Suffolk Coast - walks along
 beaches - stayed at a B + B. in Southwold
 lovely Church + very neat town mostly
 retired people. Then one night at A's cousin
 in Orpington always a great welcome + happy
 time there. Then on to Greenwich + a
 3 night stay with Bridgid O'Hara Murray
 a great party with friends + Sheila + Franz
 Dawsonport + next day all the way home
 across Westminster Bridge -> Whitehall. Traffic
 Square -> Charing Cross Rd - up to Camden town to pick
 up Audrey's overcoat left in Howgill - luckily
 it was Sunday + snowy - so traffic only
 slight + time to point out some of the sights
 to Isabel - She + I had already had a wonderful
 day together exploring St. Pauls, the Barbican -
 the new Museum of London + Isabel went up the
 Monument + we walked over Tower Bridge + back

Wednesday, BATH.
Jan 16/85

Dearest Aunt Allie,

Wonderful letters arrived in the last few days from Stephen, Valerie, Mary, Christine & Daniel all telling of the great festivities at Leo Keenan at Christmas, the hockey matches, the Scrabble, dictionary and other games and the marvellous food - turkey & Goose! Now I hope you are keeping snug, and not venturing out by yourself on the icy Kingston Streets.

We have snow here in Bath not much but enough to make things quite slippery - especially on this side of the town which gets very little sun which is still hidden all day by Beechen Cliff to the south of us. No wonder in the 18th Century that Bear Past picked all the river do wells out of the town across the river and made them live in the part known then as Holloway! All the Great Crescents are built on the northern slopes facing south and catch the south winter sun. The snow is still rather beautiful.

Audrey is busy at home these days working on her index for the Westmorland and Cumberland Volume - a very tiresome job full of tricky classifications and Cross referencing - She will feel very relieved when it is finally finished but still will have, I expect Ringier's doubts "did I include this place in the right place?" and did I have all the references so well ringier correctly paged?"

Isabel is back at school and seems to be enjoying herself. On Friday JAN 19, she set off for her first ever solo trip - to London - to stay with friends who have the cottage just across from the Beck in Howgill from the little Church. (where Buzz & Anne are buried) They are extremely friendly and hospitable and Isabel is very friendly with Sophie only a little older than Isabel. They hope

I hope Marianna's thesis work is going well and the results amenable to a clear description. Get-by in Greek classes on Tuesday night and talks to herself in Spanish in the bath! - Quite strange sounds emerge! Indeed love to you + Marianna as always - Pat

But Brigit O'Hara Murray gave us a quick method of making marmalade with a pressure cooker - so we'll see how it works! We will be moving to the other side of BATH in two weeks and greatly look forward to the increased space + more sun + larger garden! We keep the same telephone number (over)

To go to a large book store to spend some Christmas money! While Isabel is away Audrey + I will make a long postponed visit to Salisbury which, of course is the borough A is researching this year - seems funny not to have been there yet but so far all the records have been close at hand at Trowbridge.

Also received this week a nice letter from Gordon Wells in Jamaica he asks to be warmly remembered to you and again says how sorry he was in missing you in 1983 when he was in Kingston for a day or so. He is very busy arranging a big international gathering for International Year of Youth in Kingston, Jamaica but he + his wife Marion, may be in England in June - it would be fun to see them here!

We were so glad Paul Douglas had Christmas at home + was able to do some skiing + visit the family in Toronto + Jacksons Point. Marie-Claire must have been tremendously busy with all the coming + going.

I'm glad you were able to have a good chat with Eugene Forsey - I remember the very nice letter he wrote to you last Christmas. I wonder if Bessie Warren's state has changed at all. She was certainly sealed away in an isolated world when we saw her last Christmas '83 - you + I.

On Sunday we were asked to lunch by my newly discovered Cousins in Bath - Anne Hale - nee Smythe - She is about my age and had marvelous photos of my granmie + gramp (Crichton)'s wedding + John Crompton gr + grand parents - Beeriemann's wedding - pictures I'd never seen. Her husband is a wine merchant - so you can imagine we had a wide choice of drinks. Very friendly people + lovely old farm house with dog + ponies - very English. Today I'm going to make marmalade with A's cousin who is semi-retired now. I'll be thinking of you + will certainly not reach your high standards.

Mr. Charles F. Patton

3425 Stanley Street, Apt. 105

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7th January 1985

Dear Ellie,

Not having heard from you this past Christmas, I am worried about you. I trust that you have not been ill; also that you had a happy holiday season.

I have next come in for decent writing-paper so, for Christmas, a couple of charming English girls had this paper made for me. Had I been consulted, I should have preferred to omit the "Mr." but in England it is

The correct thing. Looks a bit
pretentious! However I'm very
grateful and hope you are
impressed.

Did you receive my gift - a
bed jacket - for your birthday? I
sent it off very early. Must that
everything went perfectly
for the important event.

Rev. Bill McCarty of the Breese
Mission, Jean Jackson and
Marjorie Kenchum all told me
that they would be writing
to you.

Please let me have a line
when you can to tell me how
you are. Much love,

Bea

They moved into apt. 105 on same floor.

M. W. TRENHOLME
APT. 5, 4990 CLANRANALD,
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Feb. 10/85

Dear Dr. Douglas,

I don't know whether you saw the death notice for Phebe Prowse which appeared in both Montreal's "The Gazette" and Toronto's "The Globe & Mail" on Feb. 7 & 8. I helped Phebe move up to Guelph from Montreal in Nov. 1983 and saw her as recently as Jan. 13 there. She was not well enough to be dressed that day but we had a short visit. It was a week or two after that she was taken by ambulance to the Guelph Hospital and she died from an ulcer haemorrhaging on Feb. 5. I went to the funeral home in Mtl. on Feb. 8 to express my condolences to her four nieces and her nephew. Her nephew/and one niece, Phebe, live in Toronto and they had been with her as she died. Phebe looked as though she was just asleep in the coffin. The service^{Feb. 9} in the chapel of St. Andrew's and St. Paul's Presbyterian Church (next to the Museum) was a very moving one - short though it was - as the minister recalled her life as teacher and librarian and the award to her by the Sir Geo. Williams Alumni in 1952 (she received her B.A. from Sir Geo.'s). The death notice showing her B.A. and B.L.S. did not mention the McGill diploma in 1924 for Physical Education which she must have received when she was only 20. The death notice said "in lieu of notice"

flowers donations to McGill University in memory of Rosalie McDonald McLea", which I thought very appropriate as McGill celebrates the graduation of the first class of women at McGill.

Phebe always looked forward to seeing you when you were in Montreal, so I thought I would send you a personal note about her.

Another person who was always glad when you were able to make a visit to Montreal is Charles Patton, of course. He is pretty frail now but does go out, and was in Italy, Spain and England in the autumn of 1983. I often talk to him on the phone.

Phebe is being buried in the General Protestant Cemetery at St. John's Newfoundland. Her brother still lives near Corner Brook in Nfld. where one of the married nieces lives with her husband. Her sister is still alive - in Victoria, B.C. - but her mind has gone. Phebe and I had a wonderful trip to Nfld. in 1967 when I met the brother, the niece, Roberta, still living in Cornerbrook and the niece, Patricia, who now lives in Winnipeg with her husband Gwentyth lives in Vancouver.

Hope you are enjoying being 90 years young!

Sincerely,

Margery Trenholme
Margery Trenholme

Dear Allie;

I picked up your annual report
and news letter at Wednesday's
meeting of the C.F.O.W.

Jean Richardson and I want to
pop in to see you, but as she is
proctoring exams, it will not be
for two weeks and we shall
call before we come. I have been
thinking often of Mary K' and
know how lonely she will now
be without Stella. Thank you very
much for reading her letter to me

Until we see you,

Sincerely

Mary K

monument
to Civil War
Battle of
Lancaster

Looking
North



Very bad idea of view out our back
bedroom window!

Wish I could draw! There are
so many marvellous things to
sketch - I've eliminated most
of the houses! and the cows in
the fields beyond the foreground.
Right below the garden quite
a busy street runs from Bath
centre to the main hospital which
is just across from us to the south
of the house. This was once the little
village of Weston & still retains
some of the village atmosphere
but these houses are part of mine
built in the middle 1950's so are
relatively modern - but quite well
planned & roomy. I'll have
a long way to go now to swim
so will have to get up earlier!
Isabel will be able to go by bus to
school still but on fine days will
probably walk one way at least.

Stella isn't too well just now. Her legs
are swelling badly & it affects her heart
so she is having to go rather slowly which
she doesn't like. However we still get
to concerts & had the Boreadin Quartet last
week which was absolutely marvellous.
If you get a chance, go & hear them.
I am still hoping to go on a trip to Alaska
in June, but am anxious about the U.S.
situation. However way be I'll get to Kuparuk
in July & will look forward to seeing you.
Please give Henry my greetings when you
see her. All best love from Henry



Dooneey,
Feb 25 /85.

My dear Allie,

We had a most wonderful exhibition of some of Turners paintings at the National Gallery. They are only exhibited ^{once} ~~every~~ ⁱⁿ every 10 years for a month in January, to preserve the colours.

This is an early one of his.

I wonder if you know the place?

I don't as when I bicycled from

Ramsgate, I spent too long in the

Cathedral & didn't see much else.

I hope you are keeping well & are keeping warm in 402.

Your loss in having Pat & Audrey & Isabel away for a year is our gain! We had them here for 2 nights, coming off the boat at Dun haoghane, they arrived in a grand looking car about 7³⁰ p.m & had the night & departed for Sligo about 2 the next day. It was a lovely day so we walked round Killiney Hill & they were thrilled with the views. Then ~~after~~ after 5 days at Creevy they came again on their way back. It was wonderful to have them & hear quite a lot of family news. Pat got out to the garden & cut wood for us!

Joseph Mallord William Turner (1775-1851)

The West Gate, Canterbury, Kent

Turner visited Canterbury in the 1790s and based his exact topographical view on rapid pencil sketches. The Medieval Gate still stands, although without the lean-to and bystanders which here add a picturesque charm. Short pen strokes fix the main details, unified by Turner with washes of luminous colour, to suggest the sun catching the stonework and reflecting off the river.

The National Gallery of Ireland

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The wildlife scene on this card is sent to you as an artful reminder of the beauty of nature, our need to promote an appreciation of wildlife and to encourage a greater interest in the conservation and wise use of all our natural resources.

HOLIDAY CHEER
by
Brenda Carter

Allen, A.H.

Love

Mr. From the last China visit I
sold only two - Xian and Kun
Ming. (The Vikings) have been bought by a
Jensen, Moss, journal.



May Joy fill your Heart
This festive Season

Dear allie:

I hope you are well and enjoying life. I keep busy writing and sell a few but freelancing is harder than it used to be. So many papers sold out to the chains and magazines folded

Feb 1st 1985
96 Cedric Rd
Combe Park, Bath,
Avon.

Dearest Aunt Alice,

We moved yesterday! Thursday Jan 31 and it is a marvellous feeling to have room again to turn around and not bump into something or someone! We now have a good sized living room + dining room, kitchen with all the equipment - dishes etc. we could possibly need and a washroom on the ground floor. Two large bedrooms on second floor plus big bathroom - + bedroom on 3rd floor with wash basin. So we are well set for the six months ending in July. We have paid our deposit on our return trip - so look for us about the last of August!

This house also has a nice sloping garden and garage - there are lots of rose bushes shrubs and the bulbs are pushing up - I've just come in from raking some leaves and chipping of dead rose hips. Several buildings have window boxes with yellow orange + blue primula blooming and the city has put out plots with wallflower plants + pansies - even though we had snow nothing seems to have suffered and it is now very mild + feels like spring - we'll probably be in for some shock still before real spring arrives. I expect you have plenty of snow in Kingston and perhaps you can catch glimpses of the

Frozen lake out through the leafless trees - from your living room?

Audrey has just finished her index to Vol I and is greatly relieved - she has been at it very intensively for three weeks now she has a small study (I forgot to mention it in describing the house) with desks + shelves and has it all set up to continue her work on the Salisbury documents.

We did a lovely little trip down to Shaftesbury in Dorset last Friday - once a great abbey there but only a portion of its lower buttressed wall remains. King Canute died in the monastery. many thatched houses. A Saxon hill town originally - built without a water supply - the town people had to go down a steep slope + carry water up to their huts.

On Sunday we go to lunch with another 2nd Cousin (Bienenman connection) whom we haven't met - they were off in New Zealand at the time of the big birthday party for mother's first cousin Lucy Smythe. We are getting worried that there won't be enough weekends left to do all the exploring plus have people to stay here.

On Feb 16 we cross over to Ireland and hopefully stay a night with Mary L'E. + Stella in Dublin - then down to Cravy for a few days to see Sarah + Aleck + Joan Crickton etc. Not the best time of year to travel but we've booked the other school holidays

Love to Mervanne + to yourself from us all
Pat.



"Dashing through the snow..."



A TEENAGER'S CHOICE

To be a girl and see
Beauty in flower, bird and tree;
To follow right and truth and know
The emptiness of pomp and show.

To keep my mind alert and pure and free,
That Truth and Beauty may abide in me;
To follow ever upward Life's high quest;
And find, through knowing God, my very best.

I would be friend of all, the lone, the friendless;
I would be giving and forget the gift;
I would be humble, for I know my weakness;
I would look up, and laugh, and love and lift.

— MARY EDGAR, 1915

*"An ounce of prevention is worth a pound
of cure."*

— E.S.L.



Dear Allie
May all the joy the season brings
be yours during the Holidays
and throughout the New Year

*Hope you keep
fit and do at 911*

EVELYN S. LETT

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VANCOUVER, B.C.
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Doonecoy,
Castle Park Rd
Sandycoe.
Co. Dublin.
March 17/85.

Very dear Allie

I hate to have to write to tell you that beloved Stella died last Sunday. It was very sudden tho' she was getting very frail & we knew she had heart failure, but the Doctor had changed her medication & she seemed to be improving. Then last Sunday we were sitting by the fire & she departed. I'm so thankful it was easy for her, but when I stop to think I feel devastated.

We had such a lovely visit from Pat Audrey + Isabel on their way to + from Greevy + I know she enjoyed them greatly which of course I did too hearing your family news, + of their wonderful plans of travel to Greece etc. Stella was also planning a trip to Buscany in May which heartened her greatly.

Would you mind ringing Mary Kirkpatrick + telling her, 548-7497. I will be writing to her but there seems to be so much business to see to that it won't be for a while. But I wanted you to know as you mean so much to me,
Great love to you
from Mary.

96 Cedric Rd.
Bath, BA13PB
MARCH 2/85

Dearest Aunt Allie,

We have just had supper. Audrey and Isabel are playing Scrabble. I've just finished making five small jars of marmalade from rather the end of season Seville Oranges. I wonder if you made any this year? None of the four small batches I've made comes near your standard. ^{This afternoon} We went to see the movie Amadeus - very beautiful & I found very moving though it is not true to the life of Mozart in many details. Stupidly, when I put the car in the garage yesterday I left the parking lights on and of course the battery was completely dead when I went out this afternoon to drive to the movie. However we had a lovely walk down through Victoria Park - past the Royal Crescent and Queen's Square. Very mild & spring-like. The yellow Crocuses in the park were lovely - banks of them. We have lots of pale purple ones in our garden front and back as well as snowdrops. Even the Forsythia is nearly out - quite wonderful.

We had such a wonderful week in Ireland. I hope you received a postcard from us. Sarah is flourishing at Creevy and Alice and Joan were so friendly. They are off to Australia in April and on to China as well. We met Janet

L'Esrange over at Calenmore - Freeman talks old house very much renovated - you remember Guy and Fiona Mary L'E's nephew + niece who were in Kingston two years ago - Guy may be coming to Bath for an interview at the University, rather an outside chance I think, as he seems to favour a course in environmental science which is offered in Sligo. However, his mother was quite pleased that we offered to look after him here. Stella is planning to visit Tuscany in May with some friends and I think after the bad time she's had with her leg and also being robbed + roughed up in Dublin, that the break will do her good - her legs swell up quite a bit and Mary L'E. worries that her heart is weak. She is such good fun and full of interests. It was really lovely to see them both - they gave us such good food + we wish we could have stayed on! Mary, as you probably know is going to Alaska in June and plans to return via Kingston + a visit to the Island! Their garden was a delight - Mary has early blooming iris and picks them every other day so that there are lovely bowls of them in the house - also beautiful tiny Cyclamen growing under the apple tree - tiny delicate pink flowers.

We also visited Mary Crichton Willes + met her husband David and two sons Andrew (5) + Mark 2 1/2. They especially asked about you. They have recently moved into quite a pleasant house but are still working

hard on the garden. ³ Creevy was its marvelous dear
self. The Curlew crying - Lapwings in great numbers
settling on the field and then swirling up and off
to further fields. We had a super walk along the
Oyster banks at Carrigo - Swans swept up
before us but four more stayed on the
shallow ice in a more distant pond. Carrows
sheep were not lambing when we were there but
I expect they have all arrived by now. Sarah
was going to be helping Alice and Joan with
the sheep.

We have planned a trip to Greece at the end
of March - we are going to drive down the Rhône
Valley - through Italy to Ancona + then take the
ferry to Igoumenitsa near the Albania border
then spend about ten days mostly in the Peloponnese
Audrey has been taking some Greek lessons so
hopefully we'll get by; Everyone says its a very
good time to go - not too hot + not too many
tourists. We really are lucky to be able to do so much.

I hope all goes very well with you and that
Marianne is not too desperately loaded with
work in her last term. Has she decided to go
on to graduate work this year or is she still thinking
of a year in France? We hope to see Paul either
here in May or in France. Perhaps he'll come when
Dan is here more likely Dan would like to visit
him in Paris. We all send so much love

Pat, A. + I.

Your kindest
March 19 1920!

Beloved Pat

Greetings to you all

On lovely sunny day - I
am leaning back in the
rocking chair so writing
is terrible I know
your letter of Mar 2 is
a joy. I have just read
it. Spring flowers in your
garden! Snow gone here
but no leaves yet. A squirrel
in behind yesterday but not
frequent this year & I miss them
Lakia looks very blue from my
window. Marianne very full of
hard work. She says half &
half for France next year
I hope Elsie gets accepted for
Greece next year

A year in residence, then to my
spare room if ~~it~~ he wants it
How they grow up! Splendid
young people they all are.
I expect your marmalade

is delicious - quite equal to mine, especially if you added a lemon or two.

I am so glad you are going to Greece down the lovely Rhone valley. Probably you will find people talk a little English nearly everywhere but sign language goes a long way! As you know I am no linguist but I have never gone hungry or suffered any real hardship. People are kind & helpful everywhere, I have found.

Haben sie ein zimmer (bed) fur diezen nacht? always got me a clean bed & usually a good breakfast too, if I was in German speaking country. It is fun going round a country not knowing where one would spend that night - perhaps more so when there were fewer tourists than now. I am happy now to have two anchorages Ashkirk & Kingston!

who is an expert on the Arthurian Legends and was partially responsible for the excavation of Cadbury in England where the supposed site of 'Camelot' is said to be. He is quite convinced that an early king or that was possibly Arthur did exist in the fifth century.

The early music group here played for a medieval banquet and we had a great time as we were also treated to a \$20.00 a plate medieval food which I thought was excellent and I

think in substance it was
more authentic than in Ireland
(although of course not in
atmosphere).

Aunt Mary, Stephen & Valerie
were able to come down for
a concert in February which was
great. (The concert was okay also)

Hope your trip to Washington
went well Marianne.

It appears that I am going
off to England and also especially to
the Netherlands where I will be
looking into place to study for



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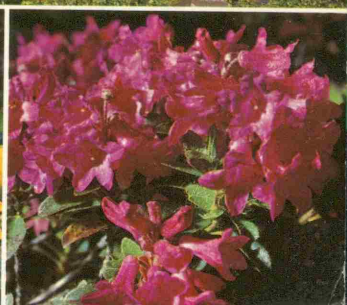
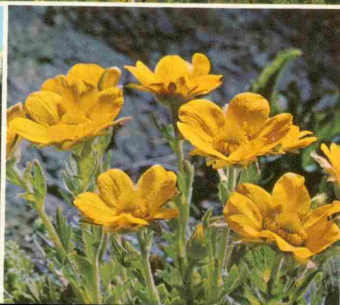
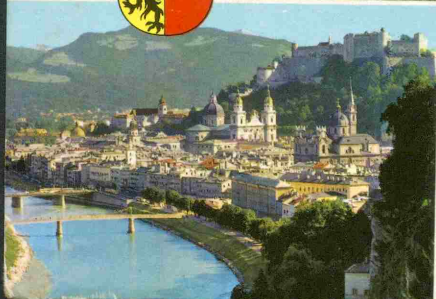
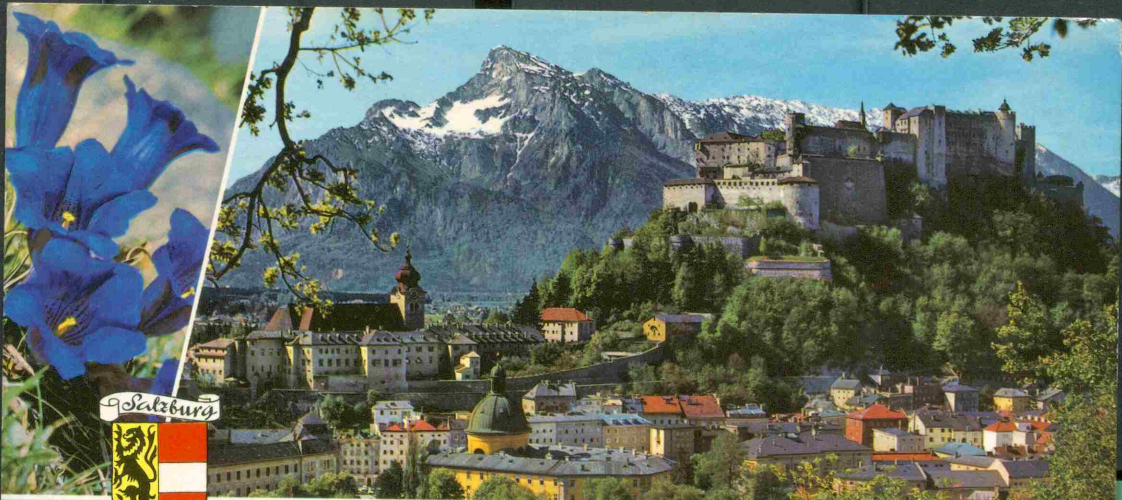


Darling Auntie, Jan 17
Thank you for having us
all at Christmas. Being
with you there was so
good. You are such a
great person.

Love to you + Alec
+ Marlene + Dan
Mary

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Dear Aunt Allie,

I have just spent one night and the better part of two days in Salzburg. It is a beautiful city and I had a lovely time visiting and wandering the streets.

The conference in southern Austria was very worthwhile and exposed me to many new aspects but certainly to the core of scientists in this particular field (paleolimnology). Most countries except the USSR were represented! We had an evening reception at the Governor's of Carinthia.

I will attend a school in Paris and then I will also go to Finland for some more science!

Dr A.V. Douglas

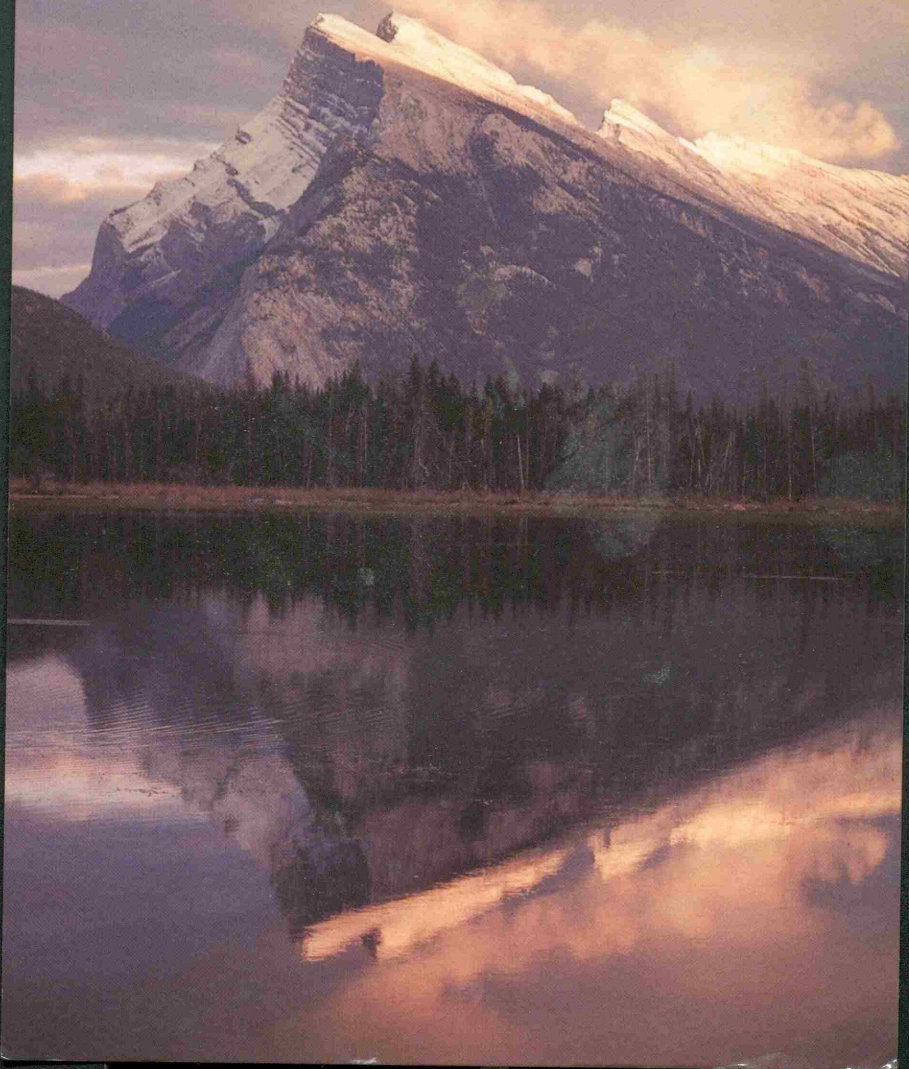
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Cheers & Love
Marianne

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Having such a great time in
Vancouver, Victoria and
the San Juan Islands
and now go to San Francisco
and then down to the
desert of California.

See you when I get back
last week in Sept^r at
Stephen's wedding! Great love
Mary

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du lac Temiscaming, et de l'autre côté depuis
 j'ai téléphoné hier. Prenez bien à tri de ta préparation
 tim. Retrouve ici la rivière d'Ottawa ~~point~~ les eaux
 font ~~couler~~ couler devant les maisons du Parlement avant hier.
 le caractère du paysage est très québécois et les gens très gentils et
 hospitaliers. mon motel a vue sur le lac et le coucher de soleil fut
 spectaculaire. Une compétition de chasse rassemblait toute
 la tête de caribou et d'orignal. Ai fait une grande promenade
 dans le bois de collines, un peu genre hicksville - une
~~vacance de vacances à travers~~ Cela me donne envie de passer
 plus de temps ici, mais

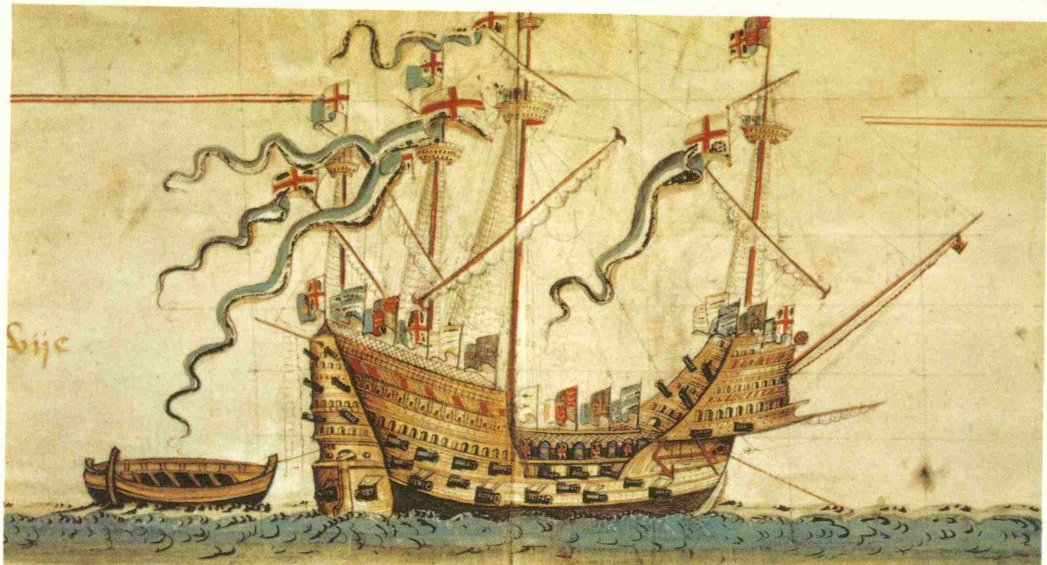
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Dear Aunt Allie, July 15



By air mail
Par avion



I am now in Bath and last week I visited Portsmouth and the wonderful Mary Rose exhibition. At least half of the hull and much of the artifacts are very well preserved. Also went to Oxford with Mum, super grounds there.

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Henry VIII's warship 'Mary Rose', lost off Portsmouth in action against the French in 1545—as depicted in a 16th century list of the King's ships

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Next week I go to Brno to see Paul
+ then I'm off to Norway for a Music course. Hope you are very well. much love, Daniel

I am returning on Aug 17.



THATCHED COTTAGE, CO. SLIGO, IRELAND. This cottage, at the foot of Benbulbin, is proof that the thatchers art is by no means lost in Ireland.

PAR AVION
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O.E. 78.



We have had a marvelous
visit with Sarah and Pascal
at Creevy - BEAUTIFUL!
We have been up to the lady's Bnue -
to Sligo - to Friends of S+P
living in a house made in
the shell of a workhouse!
Amazing place! Alec + Joan
are well + planning a trip to
Australia + China, we stayed
with Mary + Stella L'Estrange
in Dublin. They are well + we
stay there again tomorrow night
we are taking Sarah to Dublin
with us for a concert. Quite

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Cold but bright. Love Pat Aubrey + Isabel.



July 27/85
We are nearing the end
of our stay at the School House.
Have been able to do quite
a bit of painting and have
installed a second hand stove
- a bit better than the older one
so we should leave the house
in fair order. Christine flies
home on July 30 in good form.
ISABEL's friend from Toronto
seems to be enjoying her stay
in spite of extremely wet
& cool weather. DANIEL
visited Paul in PARIS &
is now with his grandfather in
Norfolk then on to Norway! We
go to FRANCE July 31st &
home to Montreal Aug 29th.
Wonderful to see you then.
Love from all to you & to
Mum & E. Hope you have
Lough Island visits. Pat.

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School House circled in picture

The Howgill Fells, Cumbria

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Spent 1 1/2 days in Mystra
 Really marvelous place
 nearly 2000 years old
 if you visited it! Much work
 on the churches
 but all the houses now in
 ruins only a small
 colony of monks live in the
 city. We saw them unloading
 their donkey after being down
 in the village to get supplies.
 The flowers are simply
 marvelous - aenemies,
 daisies & countless small
 brilliant kinds I don't know
 Oranges in bloom & being
 harvested with lemons. Other
 fruit trees blooming. The
 Country like a gigantic rock
 garden. Terribly hot! But we
 rest up during the
 hottest hours, so much love
 to you! Pat. A. + I.

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Morning Moods.

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The San Francisco Image...

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Lovely day in SF
 and now on down
 the coast & then
 inland to Lone Pine,

See you in a few weeks,

lots of love to you &

Alice

Mary D



...ODS as San Francisco begins a new

Photo: Sandor Balatoni

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Nov 7, 85

Dear Aunt Allie + Marianne,

I hope you are both very well

This is just a short note to say hello. It's hard to believe that there is only a month left in the term. Things are rushing along here with assignments, concerts and all sorts of events taking up lots of time. This week has been a special Arthurian week at the University. We have had ~~also~~ a special guest professor from England, Geoffrey Ashe,



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Dear Dr. Douglas,

I think about you often but only write once a year.

We hope you are well and that your eyes are not giving you problems.

The boys are now 22, 19, 17 and 15. All living at home and a very busy group.

Bert works for Lockheed in Burbank and I am still Office Manager at Monroe Elementary School.

Have a wonderful holiday season and a very happy, healthy 1986



May your holidays
ring with happiness,
joy and laughter.

Affectionately,

Betty, Bert,
Mark, Nicholas, Nathan & Justin
Thorn



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Dearest Allie.

We haven't yet seen Halley's
Comet; & Paddy Bolleson is
very restless about it.

It managed to rain
every day July / September.

Joan & I had a great
trip through China - no press
as every ^{ROBIN} inch is needed
for protein foods for humans.

They like their spirit drink
& consume 3600 000 000 bottles
among their 1150 000 000 people.

But they won't pay for imports.

We were so glad to see
Pat & Audrey & but sorry

to have missed seeing
so many others of the
family.

Could George's
Antarctic Diaries be

With Best Wishes
for Christmas
and the New Year

published do you think?

Lots of love from
Joan & Alak - &
all of our 4 daughters
husbands & nine
grandchildren.



GREETINGS FROM FINLAND

27/11/85

Joensuu, Finland

SUOMI - FINLAND

Dear Aunt Allie & Alec,

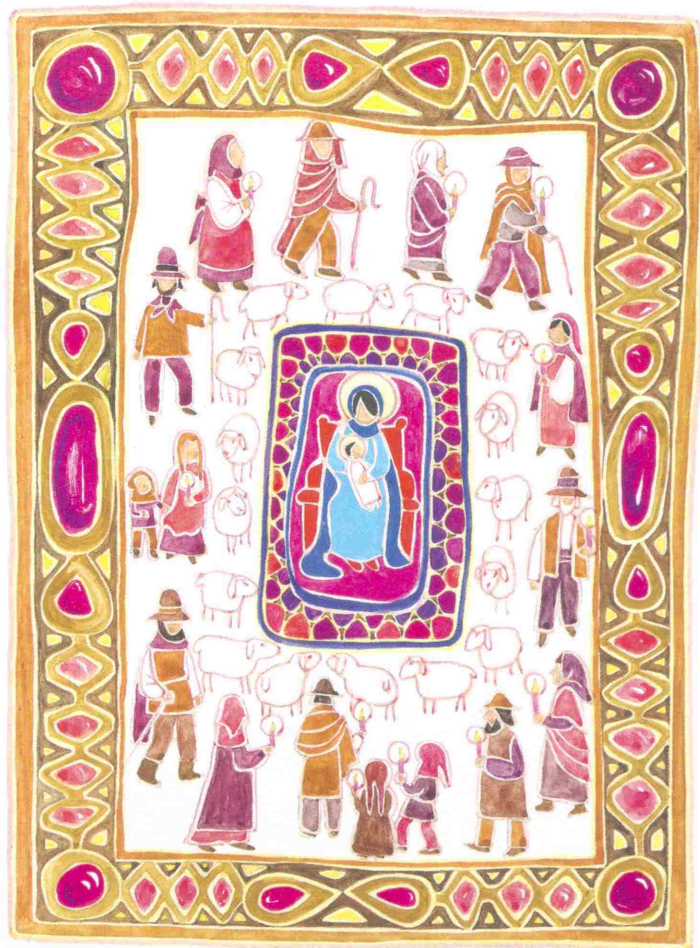
I am now in Finland for

10 days. I flew up from Paris earlier this week and found a country already in the depths of winter. A land where night begins to set in at 2:00 PM! As a result I haven't seen much of the countryside. What I have seen though, bears a strong resemblance to Ontario. I'm not homesick yet though.

I am visiting the University of Joensuu, about 150-200 km north east of Helsinki. I have gathered samples kept in their labs from 151 lakes to bring back with me to Canada where I will begin the long task of analyzing them. It is a project very similar to my thesis last year. Hundreds of hours at the microscope. I will spend 1 day in Helsinki before moving back to Paris. I often think of you in Kingston and will soon join you in January. Much love, Merianne.



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To Allie

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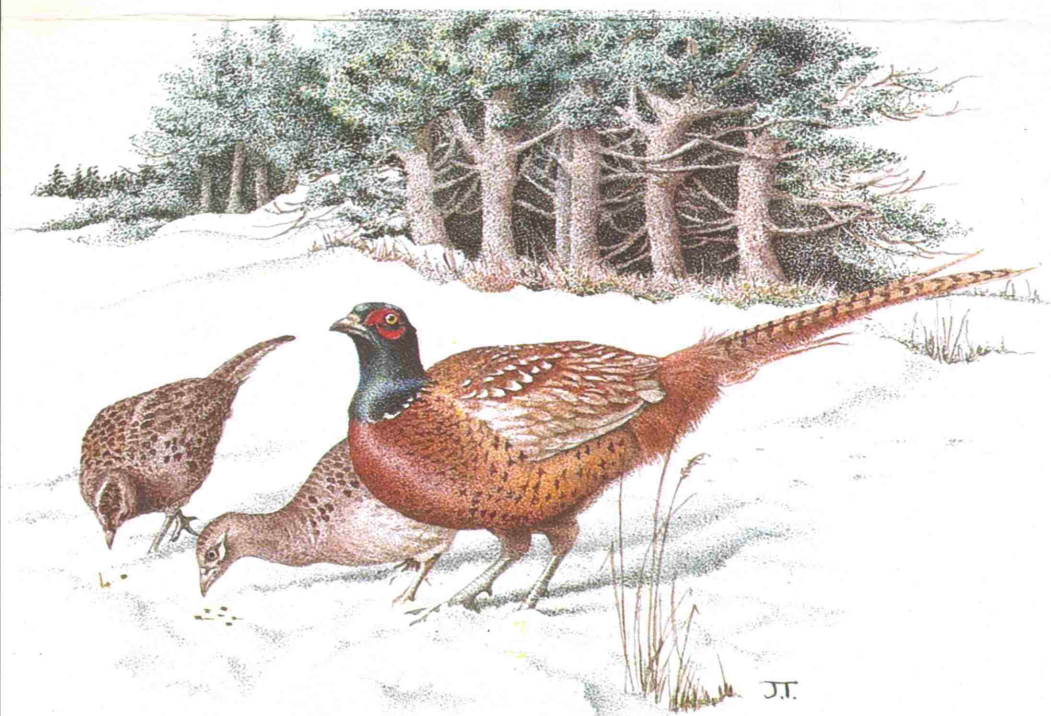
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PHEASANTS IN WINTER
From a painting by Joyce Tuhill



Dear Alice,

I hope we have

great news of you before

long.

We are all well - but a
bit more speed obliged.

Patricia & Susan in

London - and Ann with

Simon and the boys have

gone to settle in Rome for

some years.

The 2 boys are attending

a American day-school.

with love and

WITH ALL GOOD WISHES
FOR CHRISTMAS
AND THE NEW YEAR

from

Betty and

Clare

Shirley

103 Bryancroft Road
Newcastle

Co. Down - Northern Ireland

Save the Children
Aide à l'enfance



Guys, I'm not
Gail, the boat
to you from us here

is an even side because we are the good
clung to in 1914-16 - "Gott mit uns" - "God with us" - "Mein
die dead - But we cling to them in the German
likely that if a US - USSR war comes, we'll all
in adults. Difficult, of course. It seems
it's all of us. We refuse to grow up and act
with in countries as well. The Americans
blame it all on the Russians & via war. Maybe
State. Conflict not just between countries, but

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Trade Mart
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This card carries a message of hope
to children around the world through
community self-help programs assisted by
The Canadian Save the Children Fund.

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Dear Allie ✓:

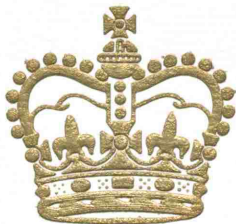
Well, here we are again - check
off one more year! It must end some
time but we are grateful for each
year as it comes. I will be 90 years
old - come July & Margaret will be 76,
come April. So we can't say we've been
shortchanged!

We hope you have been well -
as well as may be.

With Season's Greetings

There have been many Xmas parties
and Best Wishes

at McGill - Dept; Faculty; Faculty club etc.
We have been to many. A nice way to
end the session. I retired in 1965 so I
do not know many people on the McGill
Faculty now. But I'm always made to feel
at home when I visit my own Dept.
Of course the world is in a sad



Rideau Hall
Canada



Photo: Karsh

*Je souhaite que la joie
que nous éprouvons à nous trouver ensemble nous
inspire de la partager avec tous nos frères
et nos soeurs du monde. Avec mes voeux sincères
de paix et d'heureuse Année.*

*May the joy that we discover
together this season inspire us to share our good
fortune with all the peoples of the earth.
With my sincere wishes for happiness
and peace in the New Year.*

Jeannette

Jeannette

The Deanery
Chester

16/12/88

My dear Allie

A happy Christmas to you
and best wishes for the New Year.
Since you can't now visit us in
Chester here are some views of the
City painted recently by a local
artist. Perhaps they will give you
some idea of our surroundings.
The picture for June shows a cricket-
match in progress on the Dean's Field.
The back of an horse can be seen
below its 2 short-spines.

These calendars have been
sold in aid of a hospice project for

Check with which I am much involved. I believe we have already sold 10,000! not bad; they must be popular. Actually we have raised over £200,000 since last November 1984, so we hope soon to be able to adapt and extend a former vicarage as a day centre and 12 bed hospice.

We have just had a delightful visit from Marianne, so we have had a little first hand news of you and your doings. I am sure you will be glad to have her back next term. What a splendid girl she is, with all the Darg's, her spirit of exploration. George would certainly have been proud of her. I was so pleased to be able to show her

some of an old photos including
many of Jay which she had not seen.
Also a photo of Marie Claire when she
first came to visit us at Lenton Lodge
before she and Jay were actually engaged.
Needless to say there were many
photos of herself, still very youthful.
Perhaps memory pictures are best, but
photos are certainly a great help in
recalling scenes and personalities,
especially as incidents begin to blur
together after a time.

Work on low Bath is pro-
gressing well and already it begins to
look like a habitable house again, we
will send you a photo shortly. The
whole building has been re-roofed with
new timbers, but using the heavy old
slates.

There are new sash windows,
The floors have been relaid on the old
beams; the ceilings and partitions
have been renewed; the chimneys rebuilt;
and the whole of the house repointed.
Now they are busy replastering the inside
and putting in the plumbing, heating,
and electric wiring. Needless to say
there is a lot to do - and to pay for!
But I am very pleased with my three
carpenters/builders and the joiner. They work
well together. We shall be eager to see
what more they have done when we go up
to the School House for Christmas.

As you can imagine, the prospect of
retiring there is very exciting.

Ever good wish

Affectionately

Ingram - Rowie

October 17 1985
Boulogne Billancourt

Dear Aunt Allie and Alec,

Best greetings from Paris. I have now been here for 17 days and things are all going well. I'm quite surprised as to how much I feel at home and how normal things feel. I think that I will have no problems living here for three months. I'm quite alarmed as to how fast those three months will pass though.

It was so lovely to be back in Canada for the 4 days in September for Stephen's and Valerie's wedding. The ceremony and reception^a were ~~so~~ a delight to attend. All in all, we welcomed a terrific new cousin into our family.

I was also very happy to come back for the 4 days and experience a bit of Canada's Autumn. Although the ~~weather~~ weather was not cool, the leaves had begun to turn. It is something that most Europeans will not have seen - the brilliant reds, oranges and yellows of the leaves. Here in France we have had an extremely warm Fall and only now are the mornings beginning to feel cool. So far I have been enjoying sunny days and have only used my rain coat once.

I am spending my first two months and a bit in Paris learning diatom taxonomy. I am doing my studies in a suburb of Paris which is fortunately not too far from Paul's apartment. That is, considering how large Paris is. I have one hour on the metro each way or else a half hour by bicycle. Needless to say I prefer to bicycle but ~~even~~ that is quite a risk in Paris because of the drivers! However, I wear my helmet and amuse the French in so doing. They have never seen a helmet worn by a cyclist and laugh at me. Well, my safety is of more concern to me than my pride and so I wear it everyday to the lab. The lab is part of a National School where most students are destined to becoming teachers. However, research is one side that is encouraged, making it possible for cases such as mine to exist. I am working on a core from Lake Zurich in Switzerland. I hope to have enough time to finish but I think some intensive work may be called for!

In December I think that I will go to Finland for a week. The dates are not yet fixed and so I hope to finalize those arrangements soon. Once I know the dates, I hope to arrange a trip to Leningrad. Time is short though and so if it is not for this time, I will leave it for another time.

I have spent my weekdays at the lab, but my weekends are spent outside of the academic atmosphere. I have now passed three very enjoyable weekends. The first was spent in the

company of a fellow Queen's student, Mark Woolhouse, who was a student of Dolf Harmson. He now is off to Africa to do a post-doctorate. We explored parts of Paris we had never seen and then went back to places he had been a few years earlier. My second weekend was spent in Saumur chez les Jean Paul's. It was a beautiful weekend weather-wise and I was able to cycle one morning and attempt Eskimo-rolls in the Loire both days. Eskimo-rolls are the ~~best~~ moves one does in a kayak in order to right the boat once it is turned over. Some people have the knack and learn very quickly. I'm not very adept but progress is being made. This weekend I spent with Sylvianne Ashworth, the cousin of my mother who was in Washington for 6 months and who came to the Island this summer with her youngest daughter. We spent the day visiting two castles. The first was a private one which was hosting a gardening show. It was quite something to see all the great landowners in their tweeds examining plants and sometimes buying them to put them in their gardens. In the afternoon we went to Versailles, I had never been before and so I looked quite forward to it. I did not visit the interior because the Saturday afternoon crowds were not appealing. We instead rented a rowing boat and rowed up and down the big pool. It is about 1 1/2 km long and so I had enough to keep my arms busy for a while!

I have also gone into Paris after work in the lab to ~~visit~~ attend two concerts. They were magnificent and I also enjoyed the atmosphere of the old churches. Once the winter sets in though, I'm sure they will be quite cold and damp. The first concert was for trumpet and organ and the second for flute and mandolin. Really fantastic! Although I end up going home late in the evening, it is well worth it.

I wonder how your concerts at Grant Hall and D. Auditorium are going. I hope that some good performers are coming to Kingston. I do not doubt it, because after 4 years of concert I was always very impressed by what we saw and heard.

Is the Island still open or has it been closed ~~down~~ up for the season? I had many lovely weekends there this summer.

Much Love to you both and I'll see you in early January.
 Cheers and Love
 Marianne

P.S. How are classes Alec?
 P.P.S. Alec, I phoned Philippe Martin and he did receive your cheque.

3 St. Mark's Gardens,
Bath, Avon,
Sunday Nov 25, 1985.

Dearest Aunt Allie + Marianne,

We were all so pleased to receive Marianne's long letter this week - and the photo of the sowing! Super! Very happy also to hear that A.A.'s ankle is getting stronger every day - I hope you wiggle it slowly when you sit down to keep the muscles strengthening. Very interesting to hear about your courses, Marianne, and possible plans for graduate work! Good for you.

We have been having a Sunday of walk knitting - tea - letter writing - telephoning, + more knitting. Both Isabel + Audrey have started knitting very smart jerseys - I think I'll knit one for Orion - small size sound good but by the time I'd finish it he'd probably have grown many sizes larger! We hope to see him again at Christmas - again the question is where they will be - housing is such a problem.

It is marvelous to discover that telephoning here is quite cheap! We were expecting a huge telephone bill - when it came it was only $\frac{1}{3}$ of what I'd expected. Only about 70 to call A's father and 50 to call London and Canada from. There is about half the other way around.

We had a marvelous walk this morning up the hill behind us + along an abandoned railway line - across a field and met two friendly horses then along where A. lived many years ago and down to Wootton Bassett village

Past sheep in a field ²/₃ ducks in a pond - all really part of Bath!

Isabel ran in a Cross-Country school meet yesterday (Sat) + came in 5th out of 20 girls - (her school won the meet - course of about 1 1/2 miles around Bath University. She was very pleased + good + muddy + wet - it rained and hailed before the sun shone again.

The school prize-giving day was on Friday. The whole school turned out very smartly. The speaker was Dr. Sheila Brown Principal of Newnham College, Cambridge - A rather fragmented address but some good ideas included. One of the prizes was The Margate Bowle History Prize. Miss Bowle was an Old Girl of the school as I expect you + Audrey have discussed before.

It has been very wet + windy here but also very mild. Many bushes are blooming one cherry like tree with tiny pink blossoms very close to the leafless branches - They look lovely dark November days.



Another bush is covered with tight bunches of what I'd at first thought were berries but the next day I found them coming out in little white star-like flowers!



Excuse poor drawing! All send so much Love, Pat.

Very poor attempt at maybloss holly. I guess should of course have dark green shiny leaves.

November 17th 88
Boulogne Billancourt

Dear Aunt Allie,

With only one and a half months remaining before I return to Canada I am beginning to find time a very dear commodity. Last weekend I went to England for three days. What a hurried visit. I was with two French cousins and we stayed at the home of a graduate student of 'Dolf' Harmoon, a Queen's University biology professor. I think you may remember him, Mark Woodhouse, as he came to tea at #402 and also to the Island. He was a very good guide and we made very good use of our time. We had an evening of dining and theatre in London and then the next day we visited Oxford. Our guide had studied there for three years and was also a rower of sorts. Thus we stopped off on the way, ~~to~~ at Henley. It was good to see a few boats braving the cold. Oxford was a delight and I was very envious of the students. How I would have liked to study there. I have no major regrets though because I was very happy at Queen's! We climbed St. Mary's tower and enjoyed a view on the

campus colleges and then of course we went to visit the rowing clubs. The next day on our return to France via Dover, we stopped off to visit Canterbury Cathedral. Impressive building. All in all I was very pleased with the weekend. I had never been back to England since the age of 7 months and so it was a special visit.

My weekends are spent with such travels. I hope to go back to England to see Cambridge and also Ingram & some more family, time permitting. Next week, I'm off to Finland on business! I'll be working on that material as a side project to my Master's in January.

I am quite well advanced in my studies of diatoms. I have material from Lake Zurich.

In general, I'm as happy as a lark and I've been to some splendid concerts in Paris!

How are you doing in Kingston with that brother of mine? I'm looking forward to seeing you both in January.

Cheers & Much Love
Marianne

P.S. Excuse my handwriting but I am on a train!

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Dear Vivian Douglas

November 1985

27/11/85

"Time present is a room, time past, a window
Time future, a door". G. Walter Paul

Our 1984 letter told of the good luck we had had in finding an unwanted ramp which we were able to acquire--as a gift--and have installed for us by our good neighbours, the Rawsons. Emboldened by this, we went ahead and installed a chair-glide. One step up from the entrance hall you sit in an armchair, press a button, and the chair moves up a "mountain-rack-rail", turns at the half-landing corner and arrives upstairs. A lever turns the chair to face the bedroom-floor landing and enables the passenger to step off easily. It cost the earth! but since we had spent next to nothing on the ramp, we took a deep breath--and bought it! It has been a godsend. We use it all the time. No longer does it matter if you leave something behind!

Elizabeth's fall in April 1984, resulting in a dislocated hip, has plagued her ever since. Now at long last she is home again. Since this has been a year of hospital visiting and tiring treatments, life has been "sotto voce"--as mother used to say--and Hilda faces a cataract operation just before Christmas--but we have been blessed with some very welcome visitors; flying visits from our U.S.A. friends, Sally Curtis, Marian Hamilton, and our cousin Margaret Bowell, cousin Peter and Sue Swayne from Vancouver, and Jack and Mary Harrison from England. Also--a rare treat--from Australia my old friend from Toronto days, Padmini Murari (now O'Brien) with her two beautiful daughters Nalina and Vimela, enhanced with the most charming manners. Our Buckmaster cousin Mary Tasker (from Bath) spent Christmas with us (and now we are looking forward to a return visit this Christmas). Wolfgang Fuchs and his wife, Dorothy, have been for short visits. Wolfgang is recently retired from a professorship at Cornell. In the early Hitler era he came to us at Mill Hill Park, and made his base at No. 16. Mother used to say of him--"The German World War One robbed me of my only son, Ralph, but the German World War Two gave me a new son, Wolfgang".

Elizabeth has continued to make contributions to the "Ontario Churchman", "Vista", and "St. Luke's Newsletter", and has done some English and some speech coaching in connection with Queen's University Clinical Learning Centre--sometimes from her hospital bed! Hilda has "kept her end up" with occasional "Letters to the Editor". One public appearance was to "open" an Art Exhibition on Maritime subjects, shown on board the "Ciudad da Inca", a square-rigged sailing ship berthed by the Maritime museum. Another "happening" was being the Guest of Honour at a Wardroom Dinner occasion for H.M.C.S. Catarqui: a nostalgic occasion for "Chief Officer W.R.N.S. ret'd". A fun occasion was when Bill Fittell's "People" column in our local daily paper, invited contributions relating to the pending re-appearance of Halley's Comet. I sent in a paragraph concerning the former (1910) occasion when Daddy took me up to Shepherd's field at Mullion. I recall seeing a long ribbon of light, and beyond that a low curtain of flickering light--the Aurora Borealis!--Apparently no one else's memory went back as far--so I won the prize! a book by Terence Dickenson, entitled "Halley's Comet: a mysterious visitor from outer space."

The garden did not get much attention this year though the birds or squirrels helped by planting a couple of chestnut trees, and some green beans! The snow peas were a failure, and the raspberry canes produced one berry---but the tomatoes have been exceptionally fine, huge and of excellent flavour.

We continue to be surrounded by "T.L.C.". Our doctor drops in every week. Neighbours shop and fetch and carry for us and drive us to church. We have students to help us, one in the mornings, and another in the evenings -- so the meals are all covered and the necessary chores -- so we live in the lap of Edwardian luxury, "Upstairs and Downstairs"! So don't hesitate to come and visit. We'd love to welcome you, and Kingston is really a very attractive small city with pleasant rural surroundings, not to mention Lake Ontario at the end of our road!

With warmest Christmas and New Year greetings from Hilda and Elizabeth Buckmaster.

"When I was a child, I laughed and wept,
---Time Crept
"When I was a youth, I dreamed and talked
---Time walked
"When I became a full-grown man
---Time ran
"And later as I older grew
---Time flew
"Soon shall I find whilst travelling on
---Time gone
Jesus, then grant to me -- Eternity.

To bring you up to date

Hilda

+ Elizabeth

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Dec 3/85

Dear Dr. Douglas -

I hope you are well and that the weather in Kingston has been brighter than that of Ottawa - Today, however is ^{crisp} crisp and bright -

I've been ill with Shingles for 3 months - but every week brings improvement - I'd always thought of it as a very minor ailment - I'll be able to sympathize properly now with anyone so unfortunate as to get it -

You will be interested to hear that the Turkish Historical Society have invited me to give a paper at their 1986 meeting in Ankara Also that a German group are interested in my work and wish to publish some of it. Canadian Anth & Ling Est. no longer offer criticism since I could so easily refute their criticism of what I said of the Nahanni and the name Letsege - They just say - No voyages via Aleutians and after years of saying that the Navadgo started Smith Circa 1200 A.D.

To Dr. Douglas

BEST WISHES FOR THE HOLIDAY SEASON

Ethel G. Stewart

army in Anzura about 1500 A.D. They don't say they are "nearly" sure that they started Smith Circa 1200 A.D. - as the result of a volcanic explosion in Alaska similar to that of St. Helens - I don't know - but I think the

Mongol invasion are a better reason for that migration -



Oct 16/85

Dear Aunt Allie,

Here we are in Howgill now after spending a beautiful 7 days at Creevy. It was wonderful for me to finally be in the place that so inspired Olga's creativity. We spent a night with Mary L'Estrange - in Dublin. We had a lovely meal with her and her sister-in-law Betty, recounting how the wedding went. It was great to have all our family and friends there. We are having a fabulous time in the British Isles and we were in Wordsworth country, yesterday. Hello to Alec when he drops in.

Love Stephen & Val



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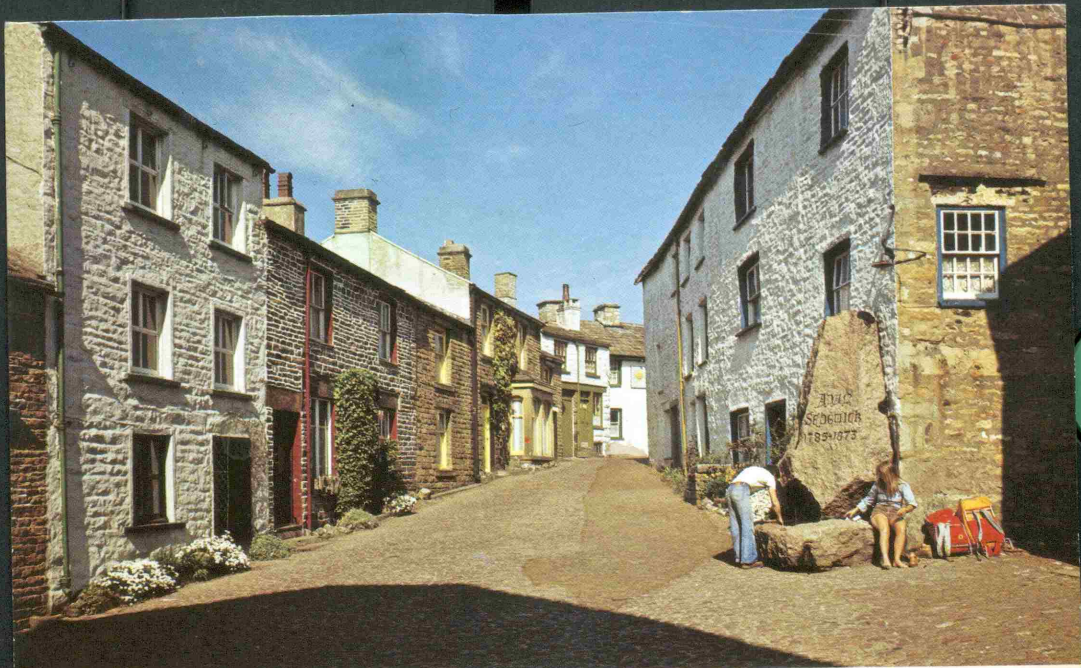
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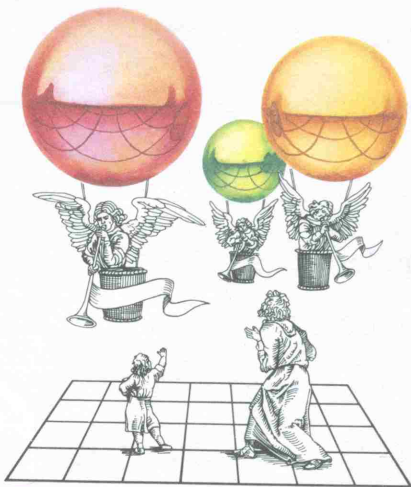
I wish you a happy
holiday season.

I was forced to sell my
house in Cunapaleo Royal
and move to Nantuxaeth
where I have a tiny, furnished
luxury apartment.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,
Luis Mue Ledo

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December 24, 1985

Dear Professor Douglas:

I am writing a biography of Erwin Schrödinger. I should like to establish the date of his first meeting with Eddington. I think they must have met while Schrödinger was at Oxford from 1934-36. In 1942 Eddington visited Schrödinger in Dublin.

Has the correspondence of Eddington been deposited in an archive - perhaps with the Royal Society in London?

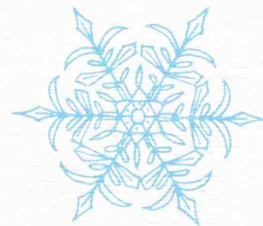
Any information you can provide about the interactions of these scientists will be much appreciated.

Yours truly,



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Christmas 1985

Dear Mr Douglas,

I hope that you are well and happy and that you are all set for a joyous holiday season. Are you going somewhere exotic to see Halley's Comet? It is the talk around here — so many nice trips to places where it can be seen to advantage.

Greetings of the Season

AND BEST WISHES FOR THE NEW YEAR

Betty Newick