Monday July 20th 1884

My dear Bonmée,

I have been meaning to write you ever since we arrived in Rome, but we had been away so fast there was not a lot to do, and when we are in Cornwass, there is really no time to write with the house full of people. This week-end, we had four couples staying with us—the Keldys, the Silvins, the Stockbongers, and me and Angélique Gray. Joe Gray whom I first knew in the Cornellie Grey. Joe Gray whom I first knew in the Cornellie Grey.

My dear friend, is retiring the end of this year. He is one of the old type from Rome's city, and I'll stand the long things as long as he has been kind and grateful. Remember me most truly when you read this. I am sure the "Red Mare's" when it was served in Paris, and if you happened to be there—I think the hotel.
we had a big family for Joe & Margaret's wedding, and quite from our house guests, we had about 80 people from Mayfair who drove down to lunch. Fortunately we had a beautiful day - warm and sunny - all day. Bob Heil, the ambassador & his wife were, and most of the guests were Americans. Bill Draper & his wife came down. He says he is leaving end August or September, & that Taylor will arrive ten days before the leaves.

The telephone connection Saturday was not good but I gathered you had talked with Allen Gordon, and Arthur was about to call me, and found him pretty cool. I have few illusions today, sonnie, about people. Few people can think much of anything outside themselves, and do not see things in perspective. Allans & Arthur are both good men, but they are looking
at what they consider their interest. They know who is running the show in Brussels now, and they are not going to do anything that is not agreeable to those men — and you know how close Arthur is to André M. It was very good of you to talk with them — but that is like you, Age has seen

Emperors — sometimes it brings wisdom like it has with you — but it also brings many incorrect ideas, mostly with you. It doesn't really matter what they do physically. It doesn't really matter what they do.

Thanks to you, for the rest of the years that are left to them. Thus, we ought to be comfortable and you must not worry about it — but I do worry — and you must not worry about it. Perhaps it may settle the trouble you have gone to. Perhaps it may

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feel dividends to people in certain places. People like cold fish — and not too wise. People like being grimy, great, Mary, and waiting it to turn. Being grazing, great, Mary, and waiting it to turn.

The real situation, but they really don't have anything to influence the opinions of those make the decisions.
We are staying here in Cambridge until this morning, to get a good quiet day. Then, then at the Country a good since I came back as there are many problems. There are some things that the government will see reason. We will know soon.

I have tried to see a good deal of both, well, once we are back as I say, to keep him in any way I can. What a strange world we live in! We have a crazy man in Cuba who is doing damage that it will be difficult to repair. In the rest of all our Latin America they talk about "dictatorship" when they have them at home. We in Washington are so preoccupied with Geneva that we forget our own back door. The Boston Herald came back from Geneva, the bitter for all of us.

And you read the front page article last issue by Herbert Matthews in Cuba, the
N.Y. Times. It was simply awful, and so a view to
ultimately tell a man who's brothers, who really
doesn't know better America should be the men who
pursue this policy. We have done as I fear, but
Anthony Selby's can't be well or else these
things wouldn't happen.

There have been two with the Institute on
Cultural Relations, since we are fact, and there
is on the right track.

I'm sorry your health is not strong, is coming
back so slowly, but I count otherwise. I still
don't want much strength since the
have not got back much strength since the
West with selling the same books of last year.

The important thing is that you are getting
it back— and do not overdo.

The best really quite a day yesterday,
and about 100 people for lunch, Selmarin
+ I am taking it easy here today. I'm really feeling very much better.


Dear [person],

I send you in much love to you all


Truly yours,

Mary