My dearest Mommy,

This afternoon Lois Durant called me up and said her mother wanted to speak with me. She asked me if I were going to do anything special tonight and if I were, would I like to earn fifty cents as well as do her a favor. She wanted me to take care of her mother tonight while she and Lois were in Boston. So I'm over here now, watching the clock for medicine, trileas...
Durant is in the next room. He is the limit; he has showed me the picture of a house in which his ancestors have lived, about fifty times, and showed me his book case full of books—about as dry as they make them. Of course I tried to appear very interested but I felt more like giggling.

The coat you sent me is just lovely. I'm crazy about it; it's sort of sporty-looking, don't you think so? I didn't expect it nearly so soon but I was awfully glad to get it. I found the little
handkerchief in the pocket and the mob and the bow Helen made me. I think you were all so good to do so much.

I asked Miss Robbins how to pronounce Rupa Chapelle. She said Rue. I can't write it very well but something like the English R with the air around it, this is pronounced anyway.

I was quite surprised to hear that Charles Delibes is a father, sort of young.
strikes me, but then every man has his own ideas. I was real ashamed of myself last week that I didn't write directly home, I meant to, but I left my writing for the evening and Ralph came so I couldn't very well write. Thank you for the money you sent in the letter before last. It will come in handy as it is all I have up here. Do you suppose Anna would mind giving me to go and come Christmas vacation, what she was going to give me for Thanksgiving? She said she was going to give it to me.
anyway, Tell her I do that it must be a Christmas present and a good big one it will be too. Don't think I've been extravagant for the precious five dollars you gave me had to go for a Botany fee. They charge every person taking a science five dollars for the collection of specimens and the wear of the instruments. I wonder they can have good courses in science! Thank you for the Stamps in your last letter too. And thank Helen.
for her letter and donation; both were thankfully received.

The chrysanthemums you sent me are still fresh and do add so much to our room. Now that I have the little berries that Betty sent me, I'll have something to keep the room bright all winter. Please tell her I think she was lovely to do it. And please tell Papa I liked his letter, and Dick received Mrs. White's note.

I had two letters, the other day, one from Captain and the other from Mrs. West. And I had one from Miss Wilson too. She said that my English teacher, Miss
twice, I had a card for "at home" days from my last year's advice; the other day, and I'm going sometime, for I liked her a lot.

Elizabeth's string of little men, one for each day until the four-tenth, is growing shorter and pretty soon the happy day itself will come.

Goodnight, Mummy dear,

Your own little girl.