

Chasham Mar 14. 1910  
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My Dear Julia. - I received your letter with Reggie's when I was at the hospital. I was glad to hear from you but I was so sorry to hear that you had been so ill and for such a long time. I trust you will regain your former good health soon. I came home four days ago. I am feeling better every day. I can go around and do a little. Now, we have not sold our place, I do not know if C. P. has or not. I want to rent our place again I wrote Mr Menzies and offered it to him for the ~~25~~ 15.00 for the season. I have not had a reply from him. if he does not take it I will rent to those same men again, I have forgotten their names. If you think they are alright - and did the right thing last year. I do not know how much wood there is on it or what shape

it is in, not having seen since <sup>it</sup> C. P. fenced it. I think I must try and go up some time this summer. There is always an excursion about August for \$1.00. I would like to bring the children too. I expect Harold will go out on the farm for the summer. I do not know where Grace will be, if she does not get a position as organist some where, she will start a class here. The College of music very often finds a position for their graduates (we are hoping Grace will graduate, she gives her graduating recital in Toronto, Monday May 9th. She comes home on the 23rd and remains one week then she goes to Toronto to rehearse with the orchestra, and returns to Alton April 4. Her <sup>staid</sup> remains until she goes to Toronto in May. her diploma (if she gets it) will cost \$15.00. besides all the rest of it. No, I do not expect to go with her although I would just love to.

We have to be so careful of our money  
that I do not feel that I can afford it.  
It will seem too bad to have none of us  
here. If she should sail she will try  
again in the fall. I sometimes think I will  
make some change next September. I may  
sell or rent, and Harold and I will  
go to Detroit, and the girls will remain  
here. I do not want to take Helen out of  
this "Collegiate" until she finishes. she  
will try for her part-I of her 1st class  
Certificate <sup>in June</sup>, then part-II next year or  
final. I cannot tell yet for sure  
I will know better as the time moves  
on, <sup>what I will do</sup> I must now close, hoping to  
hear from you soon. and that you  
are improving and that Aggie is  
keeping well. I have not heard from  
C. P. for a long time. have you?  
with much love to you both I am, as ever  
your Cousin, Mary Stells

I find I am short of  
envelopes.