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Dear Mary,

I started a letter to you yesterday but did not get it finished. Am having a fine birthday, my 58th. Well we are both getting along but I have a better time each year for I enjoy life a lot.

Am reading Froude's Life of Erasmus and enjoying it a lot. The struggles of Erasmus not to be drawn into the Luther camp are most interesting. Erasmus wanted a reform within the Church and did not realize that it just could not content a growing group. I am fascinated by the whole period.

This evening I have to have the second of my forum dinners at the Club. Dr. Balli a young woman on the Gotham Committee is going to give a talk on the modern treatment of diabetes and I expect to be greatly interested. Her students say that she is fine. She is very eager over research.

The Gotham dinner was wonderful. Secretary Wilbur spoke well; also Mr. Sloan who is our campaign manager. He is a very successful business man who is President of the Edison Company here in New York City. Dr. Boyce gave the chief talk of the evening and then Mr. Sloan called for short speeches from the floor. I was the first and had to go up to the speakers table and say a few words. Its hard to be called on unexpectedly but I got thru it all right. Do not think that I did very well.

Friday I am to meet the news paper reporters at the Pictorial Review that is the 15th and I expect that the news will be in the paper either the 15th or the 16th. I dread it very much.

Yesterday we sent the first three of our 7 papers into the journal. Next week the next two go and then the work for me will ease up for the last two Doan will put into shape.

Last night I had dinner with Miss Mary Flexner and Mr. Bernard Flexner. He is a very able lawyer and a most interesting man. We had a lot of fun talking. I told them about working on the Mall biography.

The Doans are going away for the week end again, they drive upt to Connecticut.

I sent you one of those coffee pots and will send another if you would like to have it for Ada. If you will give it s good trial I think that you will like it for I am sure that the coffee is much more healthy if it is not boiled and boiled as it is in a percolator.

With love,

*Flora*