

Lied-
Golds.

Villa de l'Etoile.

Dec 27th 1886

Cannes.

My dear old Kedzie -
I wish I could tell you
in words what a Comfort
it is to me to think you are
at Weston for ever when
this arrives. That your
faithful eyes and heart should
lie in about the old place
is to me the same as if I was
there myself, and actually
takes away the sting from
my heart by putting me in
a home where we all - you
too - have lived through so
much of sorrow and so much of joy!

Do not forget to send me a penny Christmas card!

It was so like yourself & offer
I could not help us in time of
need; and I could not honi-
bly refuse & accept your offer
for I will know it came from
your heart - and it was
accepted by me with
the heart. I have deeply
felt the sitting of Moncton
Jordus - but it is for the
best so - for indeed for many
many reasons ~~the~~ he came
as duty & try to tell a bit
such an expensive house for
us two, Mother and me.
I only trust that you will
be careful and not do too
much - or lift anything heavy.
You must not for there is
no need of it, you will get

help enough. It is your eyes -
your carefulness, your knowledge
of everything we possess - your
affection for us all which
is more than can be put for
money or jewels - dear, good
soul.

Now the very first thing I would
ask you to do is this: Go up in your
old room, look into my big box, some
one of them, where you find my two
black evening dresses and the
red velvet - please at once to
undo the pleats of the skirts
as Matherson had no time
sense to do it although she
knew they were to remain
packed up for 6 months!
I asked Mr. Maude to take
them out of the trunk which
contained my winter things
for Canada.

as I can go nowhere of an evening here, so get. and she said that these dresses are in a dreadful state. Now I would ask you to put all of my apparel, whatever they may be, in the big trunk lined with tin, so that when they be wanted one hour's notice to find them. Could you see your way to put the leather covered box - what I call my jewel box - in the bottom and at the middle of this trunk, it would there be safe. it contains only a few things of some little value - but not sufficient to put into the rack.

Then I wish you to find that
Tea Cozy # which we made of
those mauve ribbons with
white ends - it may be in the
black cabinet in the drawing
room - for Master must
bring that here when he
comes, together with that
little teapot & saucer
of Brighton - you remember
the one you used to bring me my
morning tea in - it is not
silver - and Kelly has it
somewhere. —

My pretty embroidered
table-covers of all kinds
together with the red velvet
you should also pepper
down and fill my tin-trunk

Have the girls you made at the dress with me and always see it.

with for as I cannot have
much clothes left at home
there will be ample room
for all such fine things
laces too. but my 3.
Dresses in the top division,
please. — Of course you
will write and ask me
anything you like if you are
uncertain. Letters and such
things should go in a box
or trunk, and we, dear,
that the red curtain orna-
ments for the 3. Drawing room
windows are to be away
from the top of the gold orna-
ments, or they, of course, belong
to the red silk curtains —
Let me now soon know how
you are — how mother is —

and tell me all about you -
your lovely Rose - and stands
on my chimney and adorns
my tiny parlor - I send you
a bit of Corners or thanks

I am in a sweet little
Villa, near St. Ursula
have a splendid garden -
the sea - the Lotevelles, the
Island, the old Carmine
Church called "Mont Shevaka"
so near that I can hear
its beautiful bells. I have
a very nice young man -
servant, an old toothless
Cook, but who does splen-
dently for me. Emma is a
real trick. and since I
came here nearly 2 weeks ago

I have begun to revive, for I have peace in the house, accordingly I can sleep undisturbed, and begin to be able to eat more. I have ^{seen} nearly killed in the Hotels from noise and wrong food. For the first time I really think I am getting better. That Doctor in Baden-Baden has turned my ideas, I almost think, but I was famished and thought when I first came here that I should die of weakness. I was only skin and bones - but now I don't see all my bony structure so much. My hair is utterly gone - I have a wig! - but it is not so bad or you would think - only it is like horre-hair in comparison to my own hair!