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ARMOUR
STATION

POSTAL CARD



THE SPACE BELOW IS FOR THE ADDRESS ONLY.

Mr. B. M. Dugges
5 East Ave.
Ithaca
N. York.

637 Crossland Rd.
April 1st.

Dear Ben,
I will leave here
Sunday afternoon at
5 o'clock by Michigan
Central and will
reach Buffalo at 7:15
a. m. Then will leave
for Ithaca by Ithaca
Diamond 9:45 arriving
at 1:05. This isn't an
April fool. I made a
mistake yesterday.
Love to the dear children
All yours in love to you.
Marie.

Oran 4 avril 1910

Mon cher ami,

J'ai reçu au jour de l'an
le portrait de vos deux chers enfants.
puis un peu plus tard une lettre
aussi très affectueuse et ce matin
une jolie Croix avec des lis pour
me rappeler votre amitié.

Comme ma tante Flahault
vous l'a appris, je suis malade depuis
le 1^{er} juin 1909 et y a donc dix mois
passés que je souffre. Au mois de juillet
j'ai quitté l'Algérie pour aller
en France avec l'espoir de guérir.
J'ai passé 2 mois chez ma grand'mère
avec mes oncles et tantes mais l'état
de ma jambe, malgré tous les soins
ne faisait qu'empirer.

C'est mon père qui est allé

me chercher à elle et puis m'a ramené. J'entre alors une autre fois à St. Louis et c'est à 6 mois de là elle a été guérie. J'ai beaucoup souffert, beaucoup pleuré, mais peu à peu me voilà à St. Louis et je suis venue à mourir dans le moment.

[illegible]

tout près, vous auriez en ma cousine
la plus dévouée amie et elle avait
aussie beaucoup de plaisir.

Mon cher papa et mon mari sont
tous deux très surchargés de travail.
Mon père dans ses bureaux, et mon mari
sur ses terres ont peu de temps libres,
mais lorsque nous sommes réunis nous
parlons souvent de nos amis d'autant
si aimés!

Ah! ma chère amie, je voudrais vous
écrire des pages entières mais il est
tard et je dois me reposer. Répondez
moi vite une longue lettre; dites moi
comment vous passez votre temps, com-
ment vous instruisez M-Louise? et vous
êtes bien amusée cet hiver. Racon-
tez moi beaucoup de choses de vous et vous
me rendrez très heureuse.
Mon père et mon mari se joignent à moi
pour offrir à M^r Duggan et à vous, chère amie,
l'expression de notre vive amitié. Embrassez
pour nous vos deux trésors d'enfants et
gardez les meilleures tendresses de votre
amie très chère Mathilde Caubet.

1224 7th St. New Orleans, La.
April seventh. nineteen ten.

Dear Dr. Duggar, Thanks for the
draft for seventyfive dollars for April
also for the accounting, none for March.
You need not have troubled to
make a separate sending for that,
and your Chapin was even more
uncalled for. You are such a very
exact and "good measure" gentleman
I thought it rather a lady little
joke - that duplicate deduction -
as for next year's arrangements -
matters stand just where they did
last spring. I should be thankful
to sell I feeling that I am thank-
ful to continue the present arrange-
ment. I have written Mr. Whipple to
say I will do nothing definite con-

The remembrance of Mr. Carter, and shall
write direct to her presently.

I am

Very cordially your friend
Elizabeth Linn. Thomson.

Will be surprised how pleasant our little
matter. But I think there is little
doubt that we prosper in selling
very rapidly. I shall be glad to
continue the present arrangement.
I am really very much relieved
to hear that Dr. Purman has
what I am sure will prove a
better position than he has any
prospects for at Lowell. I have
been really much interested
for his future - which seems better
than the post has been.
I am very glad Draper has had
so much of the same and ac-
tively interested in her medical ill-
ness. I hope she too will come for
further treatment. We represented

7th Apr. 18

Wednesday P.M.
Ithaca N.Y.

My sweet Madrie,

We are also delighted and happy that you are coming back to us soon — although several weeks will elapse between now and Monday A.M., when our real joy begins anew.

I have just been down to the Lehigh office and have engaged your berth from Phila (Reading Terminal) to Ithaca, but could not pay for it. This never

vation is for Sunday
evening Apr. 14, old Socet.

From West Philadelphia
you take a subway car
over to the station of the
subway diagonally across
from the Reading Termi-
nal. It should take you
only about 15 minutes.

Two letters reached me
this morning, and I was
mighty glad to have them
both. They were apparently
written Saturday and
Sunday. This is the
last letter that will
reach you before leaving,
yet it seems a long time
until Saturday.

Give my love to all the family, and tell them how much I regret that I could not join you down there.

I hope that you heard a fine dask easter sermon. This somehow reminds me of Mrs. Major who would have invited you to something something the latter part of the week if you had been in town!

Boysie and sister are happy in their respective ways. When I returned from the laboratory this morning Boysie marched up to show me two new treasures - they happened to be made of rubber dam. I inquired how these arrived, and he replied 'you know I had to take Ruth down to Dr. Howe's this morning and Mrs. Smith said she would take both of us.' At any rate he gets around and seems to go where he pleases. Louise had a very good report this week - all above 90 except geography, I think. We love you Madrie, and I can't, shouldn't tell you how much, how many, how all my love is yours. Boysie.

1226. 7th St. New Orleans, La.

April twentieth nineteenth ten.

Dear Mrs. Duggler, "I'm afraid the 'forward season' in Alaska has been turned backward, and to imagine a beautiful wet snow over everything with succeeding dejection, and slush. Even here we've returned to blankets, after weeks of summer, but of course the cold does not go to the danger line. So Strawberries are still called 'bury under my window's 'Faint or Bore'. I venture know more at Bangor. You have had some anxious weeks with your mother and I do hope she is quite well again. This is a tardy reply to your good long letter after Christmas - and an acknowledgment too of the good wishes for Easter. I thank you for both. Dr. Duggler told me of Dr. Gussard's

appointment in November. I hope the
can have his little daughter with
them soon, and something better
than the last life the two have
yet so many years. The more of
the family getting settled in
I was lately received from one
Alma with, we have come to
around for another. May, will be
a fine trip I hope - I suppose go
to Bonneto too, and Williamsport.
Does Mr. Whitcomb make his usual
November return? Probably you have
nothing of Mr. Robt's address - all
his friends have lost sight of him
quite. I am glad you are having
Mr. Stephens in all homes - He
seems a very nice fellow and
Mr. Whitcomb has done much -

You wrote me of Mr. Whitcomb's death
some time ago - and I could not
be any - He has had such a
little bit - There is not much to
say of me - Alma is working at
her school table, and I can see
a great improvement in her pro-
cedure. Indeed I have to guard
against our own attention being
any more inevitably in our
being so suspicious. It is a great
question whether she shall return
next year - She seems to
it will be well, and the two
could probably particularly meet me
well here. "Miss Stone has been
a house of strength to both of us
- though not to herself - poor thing -
as she has been recently under

The weather. Newcomb is glowing
over a new "Bequest" of sixty five
thousand - which makes her en-
dowment quite fabulous for the
South. Her relations with ^{Volane} present an
amusing contrast to those familiar
between Cornell and Sage -
Volane being a poor relation -
younger brother - humble suppli-
ant for notice, and a share of
the goodly funds. Newcomb laughs
by tones. Volane a crumb and
occasionally condescends a concert
of action, which fills the latter
with a touching pride and grate-
tude. I am not sure if Newcomb
faculty members who have been
Cornell students specially enjoy their
over-weening generosity - but I think
so. I know Dimogen finds it a "sweet

Decade". New Orleans has just undergone
another Carnival, or its equivalent,
in the "Shrine Convention" - thirty
two thousand strong, - all the
floats, processions, and general
gaiety repeated, and the flowers
are such a riot and profusion
of color now, they added very
much to the effectiveness. Every
thing is manifesting - in pub-
lic and private to secure the
Panama Exposition, and it looks
as though New Orleans leads a
strong. The contestants. I hope the
processions of small inhabitants on
East Avenue are each flourishing.
I have not heard from Mrs.
Boncroft in a long time - Five
children are occupation sufficient

Even 'two' - can keep me fairly busy!
I hope your two are well and
happy and you and Dr. Dugger
also - I am affectionately yours -
Elizabeth S. H. H. H.

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Buffalo.N.Y. April 29-10.

Mrs.B.M. Duggan

Campus Ithaca,.N.Y.

Mothers condition critical No hope douglas leaves for Chicago
this morning I remain in Buffalo .

W.E. Robertson.

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to
the
dear
Aunt
and in
private
letter
of remembrance
to sister

Ph. April 29, 190
West Shore, New York
Buffalo -

My own dearest -

I arrived safely
in Buffalo and was met
by Will and Elizabeth at
the train. Will got the word
from Agnes last half past
twelve last night & talked
with her over long distance.
Yesterday they had a consultation
of doctors and decided
that our precious mother
might live a week or might
die during the night.

As Will has had no telegram
all day no news is good
news, Dong will reach Chicago
at nine to - night and Alice
will reach Buffalo to - morning
morning & get to Chicago at
nine & morning night, I wish
she were here to shake the life
with me, but really couldn't
lose another whole day.

Will couldn't go on as he
has to meet President Loft
tomorrow morning & see after
him all day & has him
at the Langue tomorrow
night. I had forgotten

all about it & wondered why Will
couldn't come. Dear old Will
he looked so care worn & quite
gray about the temples. Elizabeth
couldn't have been dearer & more
sympathetic. She looked so pretty.
They took me to The Buffalo Club
for ~~dinner~~ (Left bundles there
tomorrow) and then down to the
train again.

Elizabeth will meet Alice tomorrow
Alice I think has 20 minutes in Buffalo
arriving unfortunately just as I
arrive. ^{signs him off to New York} Poor Will is torn between
his desire to go & his feeling that
he must remain. Oh my darling
I do hope I shall find our sweet
mother better & can so telegraph him.
Daddy was to call him but long
distance 4 - night at ten.

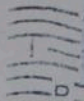
I hope everything is going well at
home. It is such a comfort to know
that Anna & you are both there.
Get on the best way that you can.
I think you had better put an advertisement
in the paper immediately.

that is telephone ^{7th AP 29, 1912}
to have it put in Monday's
paper. about a girl for general housework.
I wrote Miss Allen a postal
& mailed it from Kenosha
about the tea the girls are
to give Thursday. I hope she
got it. Will you phone her
& tell her to phone Katy Sullivan
not to come as she won't wash
dishes of the girls can really
assist at the table all by
themselves. Mrs Schmitt will
probably know of a good woman
who can wash dishes & make
coffee for them. The Campers
club dishes are with Mrs
Blood. I telephoned Mrs

now we about them &
she said the girls could have
them & they could bring them
to my house after the tea
& we could keep them until
the next tea. So the girls
would pay ^{the girls must get money from} ~~draw~~ ^{the girls must get money from} ~~one way~~ ^{the girls must get money from}
coffee when etc etc are
call to be had for \$1.00
Telephone Miss Kieckhefer
& come over & see Anne -
She and Miss Schallenberg
Oh Ben I can't realize
I can't realize and I don't
think it is so

I am sitting by the light in my
bedroom & I hear men playing
double canfield & conversation
about me and I can't make
it till talked with Chuck over
the phone to-day and either
advised or Chuck decided to await
developments before coming on.
I am so sorry for Mauna loves
Chuck not by all. If she
is known me to-morrow I am
going to telegraph Chuck to come
on. It might help her when nothing
else would. Between us (don't
say so to Anne) Chuck is getting
a divorce in Baltimore preparing
to get married now one knows
just when and I think he is
pushed for money.

Good night my Benjamin
Good night. I must tell you though
I can't bear to write such things that if the
worst should happen then boys what
a lot in Woodlawn Buffalo & you would
come to Buffalo immediately to you my dearest.
Your own not yet departing Marie.



Mrs. B. M. Oggar,
639 Cleveland Park,
Chicago, Ill.

PM Apr 30, 1910

you had no difficulty on the trip or in reaching
Brookland Park.
The children are doing
splendidly as far as health
is concerned, with Tom
and Peggy is
"still a good little boy"
too. He makes many
excursions to Moha-
reah, and also to
if we were here.
You soon
Perry.
East Ave., Ithaca N.Y.
Madrie,
The have thought of
you every moment since you
left, and I do hope that every-
thing has gone even better than
could be well anticipated. There
must have been long hours to
Buffalo, and I hope Will met
you there and made the hours
of waiting shorter.
The have had no further word,
of course, but I hope you managed
in some way to send us a card

made the establishment of a school
of forestry. At last they have worked
in a wedge. It was stated that
the Cornell appropriation was \$35,000.
If so, it would be plant indu-
try buildings for next year.
Eve Kater, Madeline Sweet, has
asked me to learn all details
regarding France, and I only wish
that there were something I could
do. Daddy has will, at last, need
all the comfort of the family, and
I am doubly glad of the probabili-
ty that at least four of your
are now in Chicago. Catherine
not possibly arrive earlier than
this evening.
So during my absence, and
you will not only help at the

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after seeing that last night, and
if so, it would seem this after-
noon. Upon leaving you at the station
I ate a "dog" lunch, attended to
other errands, and was packing
up about breakfast the Will. It
felt much more O.K., and there
was time for our hour or two at the
laboratory before dinner.
Dad gave us a very nice
dinner, and everything passed
off well. Mr. Bonds and his wife
remained until ten, and I had
just time to review lecture
notes for my nine o'clock today
race by the funeral that I expected
to something from the department to

but also your own sweet self. You must not
omit every care and watchfulness of yourself,
and remember always ~~my~~ heart full of love
and sympathy accompanies you every moment.
Give my love also to Agnes and Alice, and
as soon as you can, let me know of any plan
or suggestion with which we may help for
the better comfort of those concerned. If our dear
Nance remains critically ill, or mends, let all hope, in
spite of the telegram, there will be time to write;
but if she is not spared for further life among
us, we must accept and be comforted with the sa-
cred memories of that association and influence which
will always remain the most potent ^{factor} in your daily
life. Sweetheart, I love you, and I find myself every
moment wishing that I could talk to you, for I
do not know how to write or what to write,
when I am so in doubt, and still with hope.
The telegram went off promptly, and I trust that

PA At 20.1910

Warner Hotel
St. Louis Mo. Apr. 30.

My dearest Benj -
Daddy and
Douglas met me at the station
this morning + we came up
to Grant Park together, where
we went into Mamma's room
she immediately recognized
us + was perfectly rational +
was so glad to see each of
us. Douglas was terribly shocked
when he first saw her last
night for she was in a comatose
condition + didn't know him

and couldn't be roused,
night before last after the con-
sultation she was in a state
of coma and her vitality
appeared almost gone. The
physician said she might die in the
night or if she could rally
from it might live a week.
Jack saw her this morning
when she seemed so much
better and said she had one
chance in 500. She looked
brighter & better than she did
at any time ^{when} I was here before.
We stayed only a short time
in the room, and cousin

Mary and Douglass came in for a few
minutes & see her. She talked very
rationally with Doug asking after Alice
& a number of East Cherokee people. After
Jack had seen her she seemed to
pounce again & had all sorts of
hallucinations. As I hope and pray that
it is only because she was tired and
that after she has slept a little she
will wake up as she was this morning.
Douglass & I will go over again later
this afternoon but they are afraid
of too much excitement for her.

Alice will leave at 9 tonight.
She, Douglass & I are at the Hotel
Warner just at the corner of the park.
The only room they had was a little
suite in the fourth floor consisting of
2 bed rooms, parlor & bath. It is very nice
& comfortable & very reasonable. We will
share expenses on it. If Chuck comes
he will sleep with Doug, & Alice & I occupy
the other ^{two} rooms. I don't know yet whether
to telegraph Chuck or not. Will wait
to see Maria again.

The doctors say that each time she
sinks into this comatose condition that
she will never wake, will remain so
longer & there is more danger of her

never coming out of it. Ap. 30, 1910
She is better and she must
get well. Oh don't you think
that if we all feel sure that
she is better that she will get
better? Well it Benjamin with
all your might and we will
keep her around from these
coma.

I will write you a postal as soon
as I go to the house. as to how she
is this afternoon.

Young is a dear boy

Send much love to dear Anna
for me & tell her grandmother is better
so she must have a good time till
I get back. Here my darling babies
& for your dear dear self

A Howard Street from home