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Mrs. Willard Drought
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Jackson, Michigan

Dear Cousin:

I have your card of the eighteenth and have also received your Christmas greeting.

I sent a Christmas letter to your mother a few days ago. I sincerely hope that she is now on the way to recovery and will be able to enjoy Christmas with you.

I notice, in your addressing me, you, apparently, do not get my name correctly. My initials are the same as those of your grandfather, W. C. Simons, and the "C." stands for "Collins." Collins has been a popular name through several generations, and has resulted in the nickname of "Collie."

Wishing each one of you a Merry Christmas, and hoping that you will keep me informed, I am

As ever

Your cousin