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Mrs. Charles H. Hoinville
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Dear Julia and Charles:

I enjoyed very much my few hours in your home and your fine dinner.

The ride home was uneventful but was interesting in one particular. When the train pulled into Kansas City, the porter took my grip to the platform, so I had to leave the coach with the idea of going forward to a car that would come to Lawrence, but, to my surprise, I found that the train which left Chicago at 8:15 was just about ready to go out so I stepped aboard and arrived in Lawrence an hour or more earlier than otherwise would have been the case. You see I gained two hours and ten minutes on those who took the 8:15 train.

I took Charlie home last night from the office and find that all are well, and I think it will not be long until they move.

Today, it is quite warm, being 84 in the front part of our office and it, undoubtedly, has been warmer than that outside. No killing frosts yet at our home, although many trees have taken on their autumnal colorings.

Gertie and I went out for a short while last evening to attend the Fiftieth Anniversary of Scott Holloway as a merchant at Nineteenth Street. The nearer I approach the fiftieth anniversary of my coming to Lawrence, the less sure I am in regard to what I may do. I do not particularly like the idea of a Fiftieth Anniversary in business because of its indication that you are about through.

I had a letter today from Kathryn Drought stating that she is improving and hopes to be able to leave the hospital soon.