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Dear Etoile:

Yesterday I spent three or four hours going thru papers, magazines, etc., to discard some and to preserve others. I happen to run across the enclosed letter from A. J. VanVranken. I may have sent you a copy of same at that time because I am sure that I told you about it, but I thought you might be interested in this letter. It is my opinion that Mrs. VanVranken has since passed away.

Gertie and I and Marie went to church yesterday morning and enjoyed a good service. In the evening Dolph and family came in for waffles and sausage.

There is no special news. I just received my carbon copy of Grayce's letter which you have already read.

The fact that Julia has had a swelling on her jaw makes me feel that perhaps she has an abscessed tooth. If that is the case, that may be the cause of very much of the trouble she has had in recent years. Poison from a tooth goes thru the system and results in stomach trouble, rheumatism, arthritis, and many other painful and dangerous troubles. I think it would be wise to have it x-rayed at the earliest possible moment and if the tooth is infected, do not try to treat it because to the best of my knowledge, there is no known cure for an ulcerated tooth.

The Christmas season is approaching and we have you all in our minds. It so happens that it was 51 years ago today that I came to Lawrence.

Thank you for the booklets which you sent me concerning Arthur Brisbane's article in regard to Mary Baker G. Eddy. I have always felt kindly toward the Christian Science group because of the comfort Blanche Reineke found in it. I think that Blanche Reineke and her mother were two beautiful souls. One got her comfort from Christian Science and the other from her membership and