

The last two or three years she mentioned different things saying "some day I expect it will be yours." She tried to sell her books last winter, "Excepting the Classics which Jean and I have always intended you should have." She mentioned the desk she and Jean had used for many years - other things from time to time.

Last Nov. she wrote, "My dear, I think it will be possible for you to have anything you cared for like pictures, books, rugs, or other things; I won't explain tonight I am tired and it would take too long." She wrote that after she had told me about the books. There are other things but there is no use to write about them now.

I thought at first I would write and ask you <sup>if</sup> you went to the funeral, or had occasion to write to her lawyer, you would help me to have these things - but I thought in her last illness that she may have given some of them away and it would only cause unpleasantness.

I didn't want to see any thing sold to a second-hand dealer. The things that weren't left specifically to some one or that it wasn't necessary to sell to cover expenses - what others might call "junk" - I wanted because I loved her and Jean.

Anyhow I decided against writing because it might sound greedy or interfere with other plans she may have made. I hope all family pictures or papers, <sup>Billian's</sup> of any kind that you or Grace have to keep. She loved both of you.

Billian always wanted me to write to Grace - maybe I will now. I hope either she or you were with Billian at the last.

Hillard was operated on for hernia in June & it was complicated with pneumonia. After an anxious forty eight hours penicillin the "miracle drug" had wrought a cure. Later they were in Jackson two weeks visiting relatives. He expects a vacation of a week about Sept. 1st when we