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Dear Julia:

I received your letter today and am very glad to know that Vera and Nick escaped serious injury in their automobile accident. Accidents can come so quickly and so unexpectedly that anyone is likely to have one.

I didn't realize that the license receipt had any further value but had attached it to a carbon copy of a letter to Etoile. We secured the license plates and, not knowing Joe's address, have sent them to you.

I don't know what the situation is in Iowa, but asked Etoile to do nothing without first being advised by McNalley, who is her attorney. Instead of following this advice, she has already agreed to turn in the real estate at Macedonia to the administrator under the will.

The only thing that you could do for her by going to Macedonia would be to assist her in disposing of furniture, which she should do as rapidly as possible and perhaps can sell it there to a better advantage than she could anywhere else. Having moved the property to Macedonia since the first of March, it should not be taxable and probably will not be assessed.

It is cold today but apparently there is little danger of frost and all vegetation looks beautifully. Red peonies are blooming on Sally's grave.

Give my love to Vera and Mary Jule. We shall be glad to see you and Charely at any time.

Lovingly your brother,