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Dear Howard

We are ~~now~~ getting rapidly near the end of the term + for this I am feeling thankful as 8 weeks of hard work (that is hard for Oxford) is quite enough at a stretch in such a climate as this though just now indeed it is delightful.

Doubtless you will know that Albie has got his scholarship:)

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got the news via Manchester!
as the result was very late
in coming out + apparently they
sent W. Dill word. I am
very glad as he ~~does~~ deserve
something after his hard reading
at the grammar school.

While at home at Christmas
I had a chat with Wilkins
at a separate dinner concerning the
grammar school as he had for a
time taken Dill's place: he seemed
to think the system very good +
not really a "exam" though I am

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sure there is a great deal of this
goes on. The boys in the sixth
also liked him very much as a
teacher - quite as much as Dill
I fancy.

For some things I should much
like to have my education over
again though taking all things
together I should be very far
from caring to have my life to
live again. I should at all
events be continually looking forward
to reaching the present time - the
Oxford life is quite a thing of itself.

Just now the Tropics are on

but as floods abound - as "low-paths"
is to be seen there is nothing in
the way of enthusiasm going on
concerning them: even were there we
poor science men would be barred
from sharing it: we are making
arrangements to, next term, get away
from the museum at 4 o'clock so as
to get some chance of exercise in the
way of tennis or evoking the delights of
lots of wh. in the summer term at
Oxford must be experienced before they
can be realized.

I feel particularly
dull this aft. so I'll ask you to excuse
a short epistle. What a great &
glorious match was the Bowden encounter.
WBS.

My kind regards to Miss Emily.