

Exeter Coll. Dy.

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Dear Howard

I am writing  
this epistle with a pencil stolen  
from you & wh. I have been carrying  
about really with the intention of  
giving it back to you! First  
of all I must confess my sins  
& ask your forgiveness for the way  
in which I treated you on Monday  
it was a great deal too bad of me.  
I went to try & find you just  
before the train started but could  
not make out where you were.  
Arnold was very willy in fact

(See L. Arnold White)

I have seen him several times  
whilst he has been here but  
now he has left for London.  
Leonard came up yesterday  
evening we were together a good  
deal then & I am just going  
to his room till "Hall" (alms  
dinner) which he comes off at  
7. a rather awkward time &  
one happens to be anxious to do  
much work in the evenings.

As to the exam. They gave us a  
horrible paper upon verbs with  
most outlandish parts of verbs &  
that kind of work which did  
not in the least suit me so that  
I await my viva in fear &

trembling. The Latin prose 49

think I did fairly think of  
course very drossy still I hope  
there were not any "howlers" in  
it or if there were small is my  
chance of passing. I fancy  
even I am all right in "Heathens"

Thursday even.

Thank you much for your letter  
which has just come: my only  
address is Exeter Coll. I am  
very sorry that I did not  
see your sisters & Flea on my  
way: it was very good of them  
to come to the station & please  
thank them all the same. I  
hope to come down again late

Tuesday aft: as my visa comes  
on that day & I shall know  
the result just about in time to  
let me catch the last train leaving  
here something like 6.15 I think  
& reaching Manchester 11.50 p.m.: so that  
I shall pass through Alderley after  
you have gone to roost. On Friday  
again I come up & no more L & W  
trains to Oxford for me. 6 1/2 mental hours  
with a carriage packed full of squalling  
babies. I like the latter much but not  
when they are altogether in a railway carriage.  
If I could only have that grammar paper  
over again I would pass this Exam. but  
as that is not possible I am setting  
down to hard work in expectation of  
a terribly bad time at my visa.  
As to Oxford I only wish some of