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Lind I really  
will write soon

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Dear Howard

"Very little to tell  
you this week" may as well be  
my opening announcement : may it  
be followed up by as much as  
your epistle contained (not meant  
in sarcasm.)

Easter is over + has been a  
very quiet one with us : no  
one scarcely remains in Oxford save

Now we & myself & we are of course a good deal together. I am in my own rooms now but we feed together & with also as we find ourselves no hindrance mutually. Little being logically included we can discuss points at all. & derive thereby little mutual advantage.

It is an old Maxim of mine a first rate war.

Being in contact with public school men many are see more clearly than ever the very difficult advantages of a public school life & training. The men are more independent & self reliant & have a broader view at least the character of hundreds of other classes among them. However I always have to come to the conclusion that the past cannot be altered & the future may before us to make of it what we can.

real relief to be settled down to  
some definite work, & to be really  
busy.

However the last two or three days I  
have been far from the latter. The  
Colliers (Talies, 3 sisters) are off &  
I have been with them somewhat.  
This morning they were at breakfast with  
us, & tomorrow we are going a picnic to  
Nanhuau. They return however on  
Thursday, then I shall return to the  
Prud. I am glad to hear that  
your Mother does get on though it be but  
slowly. Please remember me to her.

F. W. S.