

5208 Glenwood Road
Bethesda, Maryland
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Dear Jesse and Charley,

The pretty little bird that emerged from William's suitcase yesterday afternoon is now perching on the second shelf down from the top of my whatnot, and seems quite content to stay there and enliven the corner. It was kind of you to send it to me, and I'm most pleased with it.

William tells me you gave him a wonderful time in Curacao and that the old place looks better than ever. We had such a memorably fine time there in 1947 that the very name has a sort of numbus around it in my mind. If you don't like it and find it restful I'll personally be disappointed!

Jane told us that she had received Jessie's letter and enjoyed it very much, so I hope you won't be discouraged if she hasn't answered it yet. She has been having a great deal of trouble this month: Billy has been out of Friend's School more than he's been in it, and of course little Teecee is perpetually clamoring for his share, too. First Bill had poison ivy unseasonably, and now he is just recovering from a bad bout of influenza. I hope poor Jane doesn't get it yet- but if she doesn't she'll be about the only one in Washington who escapes.

It's wonderful to have William back again. I object very strenuously to this business of his going away without me, but it's almost worth it when he comes back. Thanks for taking him in, and once more, for the robin.

Sincerely,