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Dear Mrs. Bregonier,

William has been telling me ever since he got back how nice all the people in Quito were to him, and what a happy atmosphere prevails there- how I wish I had been able to hock a silver-blu mink and come with him on his trip. Alas, I have no silver-blu mink! But the little pin you gave him to bring to me is such a delightful thing that when I look at it I can imagine myself right in Quito. It was really very kind of you. And another nice thing about the little pin is that I find it just the answer for a problem I've had recently- how to tie a long string of pearls together and make it into a kind of choker. It's just big enough to do the job perfectly.

We both hope you will like your new post as well or better than Quito, and that someday we will be able to be at the same place with you some time- I've heard about your progress from so many people that I almost feel as if I knew you already. Before you leave Quito I wish you would thank yourself and all the other nice people in Quito for taking such good care of William when he was there.

And thank you so much for the ornamental as well as useful pin!

Sincerely yours,