April 1st. 1912

Dearest Leónie

So very many thanks for your nice letter. It was very good of you to write because I like hearing different views of the family's goings on. It gives one such a good idea of how it all is out there. They seem so much to have enjoyed your visit to them. I am sure it did them good to have someone out from home. Mama seemed just a bit depressed in her last letter but I daresay that it was just a passing phase. On the whole it seems such a success.

Thank you for your congratulations on the birth of son No. 3. Seymour was quite right, he is called Bertil, an old and purely Swedish name which we thought pretty. I am very well indeed. I always am.
they say here that for me to have babies is like other people sneezing! & it really is true. I don't have a bad or long time & get over it at once.

Bertil will only be 5 weeks old in two days time and I have been up the last three weeks nearly and feel quite fit.

I hear that Patsy has never felt better in her life and is so energetic, I am so glad. Evie "entree nous" sounds a little too energetic!! I hope she is running things well tho she can if she can if she likes and as long as she does not let all the world know she running the whole show it matters less.

Papa writes that your Jackie is most likely going to marry an American girl. I hope you are pleased about it and that the rest of the family are well.

Clare is so taken up with little Margaret that she
very seldom but when she does her letters are brimming over with happiness it is a pleasure to get them just to hear her hold forth about her great happiness.

England seems in a sad way, what is the dear country coming to? What with strikes and suffragettes it's terrible. Fancy Ethel Smythe in prison for smashing windows! I hear Maurice Baring went to see her in prison and found her doing laundry work when he left she threw her arms round him & wept. The jailor remarked "A near relation I presume?"

"No, an exlover" said Ethel! She is a most undefeated woman!

Here we had hoped we were going to start spring weather it has been quite mild but today being the 1st of April it is snowing hard! Rather depressing.

If you see Mrs Mott do ask her if she is coming here on the Ottowana this summer for the Olympic games. I suppose there is no chance of your coming too if they do. I should so like you to see how we
live here & I have really no news to give, looking after my large family takes up the greater part of the day & then my painting & the days are much too short for all I would like to do. Gustaf is always busy has to attend many meetings & things and always has lots to read he is studying all the social questions of the day as seem to be going to be the difficult questions of the future he is so interested in all that sort of thing too. The King goes to Nice today & then Gustaf has to be regent & that gives him even more to do and is no easy task especially in these troublous times. Gustaf sends his love & hopes we shall be seeing you soon. We are hoping to get away this autumn & go to Paris for a change Gustaf hardly knows it & would like to see all the art there.

With very much love

Ever yours affectionately

Daisy.
he goes to Nice for three weeks. The queen is at Capri, still far from well in fact unusually seedy even for her and she is of course always more or less ill, it is distinctly more this year; the old queen is also abroad she is at Wiesbaden and does not return till June. The family is much reduced at present as Wilhelm and Marie are still away too they leave Ceylon today, they have been travelling about India and have stayed with the Hardings at Calcutta and everybody has been most kind to them everywhere.

Of course you have heard about Ethel Smythe? Lady Spring Rice told me such an amusing story about her. It seems that Maurice Baring went to see her in prison and found her doing laundry work quite happy but as he was leaving she threw her arms round his neck and went the jailor afterwards remarked

"A relation I presume?" Oh no! said Miss Smythe an Exlover! She was put in prison for throwing
stones at Lulu Harcourt's house! 

What is England coming to with strikes and suffrage gettes disturbing the country each in their own way! What is going to happen? Do they go in for strikes in Canada too? 

Parcels are taking double the time they usually do just now and some are lost all owing to the strike too so that even not living in England one feels the results of it so what must it be there! 

Now I must stop and send this off by the evening's post and hope that strikes won't prevent it reaching you. Very much love from both of us

Ever your loving daughter

[Signature]
this last fortnight and still coughs a good deal, this place lies so near the water and rather low down so that it gets very damp in rainy weather and rain and cold is what we have had to put up with all this spring.

I enjoyed having Arthur here very much even tho it was but for three days, he spent the week end! It seemed a long way to come just for that and of course we never expected to meet and if it had not been for the King of Denmark's funeral we never should have either, so some good comes out of everything.

I have had little or no time for reading lately, when not busy painting or having to see people I have been looking after the children as we have been shorthanded in the nursery one girl having been away on leave, there were only Wiltshire & one Swedish girl a somewhat inexperienced one too for the four children. As you know by experience it is no joke having four small people to look after!
Edmund is just 6, Sigvard just 5, Ingrid 2 and the Baby are only three months so they one and all of them too small to be left alone many minutes, the two bigger ones are so full of mischief that we never know what they will be up to if not looked after properly. Wiltshire has her hands full.

With my best love and renewed thanks for your kindness in writing at once like that.

Believe me yours affectionately
Kronprinsparet med Prinsar Gustaf Adolf och Sigvard.
Sept 11
very many thanks for your letter. We had a very good time coming here. We are still having a cheerful party of 12 in the house with 1st class talk about our dear friends. I'm sending you the photo tomorrow. I hope to be back from your trip soon. We are very much looking forward to it very much.

Love from Mr. and Mrs. Brown

Glasnagh Co. Down
Ireland
March 10, 1905

H.M.S. Essex

Hello

My dear Mrs. Tesla,

How can I thank you enough for my very dear letter & good wishes you sent me. For which I am deeply grateful.

I am so sincerely truly happy that I can hardly yet realize what it all means.
r as I think it all
over of all of all
I wonder if it can be
really true but not a beautiful
dream that will vanish
away! God has indeed
been very good to me!!

as you say Egypt was
an ideal place for a
courtship as we both
have grown very fond
of it we mean to go back
as soon as we can.
I do hope you'll come

make Gusto's acquaintance
as I think you'll like it.
As he is not really a bit
good looking who to wear
glasses which hide his
nice dark blue eyes, he's
a good bit taller than
very thin.

And of
music, pictures, talks
sorts of nice things, in
fact he just suits me
down to the ground.
I bit myself an extra
ordinarily fortunate girl.
The only cloud in my otherwise
Endless sky is in an am

very sad at this time,
Patsy. Sympathise, I'm
afraid they are very
miserable. I don't know
what to do but I know
I can trust to you to try
or cheer up. I am sure
who feels it dreadfully.

again many many thanks
for your very kind letter
in its love from Patsy
myself,

Believe me,

dear miss Leslie

Yours very sincerely

Margaret.

Forgive his(auty note
letter to answer!!!
Jan 29, 1703

Dear Miss Leesie

It was most kind of you to write to me, thank you so very much for your letter, it is nice to hear from someone else how Mama and Papa are how they are received...
I hope you keep very well & are enjoying it all - it will be so amusing hearing all about it when you come back. I have no doubt you know all about what we have been doing now different visits, we have now settled down again after 5 weeks of it - we are very glad to take up our music drawing & lectures again - We enjoyed seeing all the cousins again at Windsor & had great fun with them - All through the christening the baby howled lustily, we could hardly hear the Bishop's
Voice at one moment, but the King said it was lucky so everybody said not to mind.
Thanking you again for your kind letter.
Believe me dear Sir Leslie

Yours Very sincerely
Margaret.
all these lies about me not apologising I'm so sorry about it do tell me of course you hear do people talk a great deal about it if there was anything to care of it that might spoil it i'll be so sorry they seem to be having a great time in S. Africa very thoroughly enjoying it i have had Thora holstein stay here for 3 weeks she has just left it has been such fun. I see that Clare is at llanidloes I've not heard from her for ages I hope you've good news of Normany have you heard anything of the mollers lately
What a mercy Patsy didn't want to carry the key of Shaw's. I hear there is a most audacious new going on abt Ena - connection with his marriage people seem much more angry than one had expected about the forced change of religion. Ena wrote to tell me she was very happy but did not mention the religious question.

Duse has been here for 4 nights, we went each time were much interested. I'd never seen her before quite fell "sans souci" to the act of one horse.

We play la Femen de Claude who we all hated, I liked her best really - Casa Patina v. Olsen's Rooms' hotel.

We continue to be very musical and are continually at the opera or at concerts. My chappie is very musical. I think child might if not else to be musical!!! Just as is very busy all day long with work if not here at least going to all the concerts! He is learning the "art of keeping." Then too he has military work plays a lot of hockey Tennis is this year to live. We hope to come to England by the first of July.
he won't be able to get away before. I don't like it so sad about the Roddey child. He has been so very ill for so long now. Dr. Crawford has been more than Reid sending in news. How is my friend Lionel not quite forgotten - I hope. Please write to me again soon.

With love to many messages from just say Believe --

Yours Largeness

[Signature]
Stockholm
Feb 25, 1906

Dear Doro Leslie

Thank you so very much for your last long letter. Though I do enjoy jotting, I always love having letters. How I will begin in a selfish way about myself as you asked - to do so I know you are so kind as to take an interest in my welfare. I am as well as ever and ready to do any big scenery by this, but I begin at times to find many about more or less of an effort it as it was 6 weeks or so ago, that is, invisible is it?...
I so glad you too say that it is best to lead our usual life just that I'm doing which be greatly bored not to only every now and then. I wonder if people will blame me or perhaps they don't take care too much. It was pleased at your agreeing with me on the subject. I am so to come here on April 10th and I will be there enough. I've got the or only winter comes on the 10th of that would so ask to be quite sure of this. If it happened earlier than 3 am I would be quite satisfied. Could well cared for if someone who she knows is here.

We both rather want air. I don't quite know what later do not for a moment try to we shall - and which is of course it will be such a joy anyhow. Clothes are rather a worry. I just can't find loose Empire dresses for evening wear. Book best ever - most comfort for day as full skirt. Loose blouses of the floty soft kind are very pull our va long coat to go out is all are best. I never wear light clothes at any time. My told less so now. I look quite all right. I am presentable. In one's very clothes is how are well cared for if someone who she knows is here.
had as a child in this are
ty done up one all White
place, another bigged woods
one for night nursery use
with dark blue silk. I hope
this will be a success. I
heard so much good of her
love from others, I have
hope we got a nice little
Swedish girl to do
nurseries said. Only words
about left now, I can
hardly believe it is how in
this when one is crazy happy
It is always been. It is
exactly a year since you
was engaged and in my wildest
dreams I couldn’t have
figured to myself a happier
faster more cloudless year.
I do hope Patty will be as
happily one day. Are you
the kansas of grand patrjs?
Stockholm
Jan 26 86

Dear Mrs Leslie,

Thank you so very much for your letter and the lovely present you so very kindly sent me for your birthday. This little box with our dear tiny daisies on it I've never seen before. Did you find such an appropriate one? Kelly & Clare are both sitting here in the gallery room, writing letters at a great pace.
They arrived here all night after an uneventful journey - no rough crossings - and now - the full swing of every day that is for us here - we are liked & admired by all. They are beautiful & very - very anxious to do the right thing. Last night we all went to a very nice and delicious dinner at the Rodds - followed by a general practice.

Of the recent trick it is to be danced at their fancy dress ball on the 8th. After the more solemn practice there was some general dancing everywhere - anybody may join - as you will have heard of. And now dance his writer - so sat at a party - felt like an elderly chapon until 2 o'clock - attractive lady. And watched everybody back the greatest fun. I a quick way. The Rodds are awfully nice.
do a lot of entertaining.

Baby boy is 
he is 4 feet, not
respects all 10 enery
on try to get at it half
on crawling about the room
at a great pace.

The family wrote to me
from Port Said between
to all combine in day's
except for Seymour
it was a great amount
ful journey. I hope your
all the boys are well.
not indulged in that
sneezing universal disease
the flu! Again many
thanks my love
I am very sincerely

Margaret
The King pets so worried. I've said by it all, but from today he's in. Prince comes Regent again. It's not, as I suppose, any will it be, that the King is really ill but he's pretty old and is halting nervous and excitable. This now with how to him he does it. This young full of life enough to cope with it he looks extremely well and very lively.

I'm afraid the Baptist may be good for Russia, it will be rather dull, with no
There it can be very quiet
and not like Paris, but
to be away so much. They all write me rather definite
letters, so I feel a perfect
brute! But it cannot be
helped now!—I am very
much touched by your
saying you miss me too.
I really am dreadfully
shut, everyone is very
to good I being so fond
of me! I shall be so
plagued then how comes
want off? I hope you
will have enjoyed it.

Give—Love to clear
Ireland when I go
there, I imagine ought to
be looking so pretty now.
How long will you be
over there? I hope how a S. P. will
come here before they
start for South Africa
only I am afraid that
October there will be very
little for them to do here
will be getting colder
so damp by them. This
house is not very strong
built only meant really
for summer use.
Hoping to hear from you again - with love
Believe -
Yours affectionately,

Margaret.

Just to thank you for your message & to quite sure
you know the answer to my very happy" - & for
Riddell's treated?" She asks to be remembered to you.
Sofiero
Helsingborg
Aug 7th 1905

Dear Mrs Leslie,

Thank you so much for your letter which I was very delighted to receive. It is most kind of you to want to hear all about how we are getting on. I can answer that question by two very expressive words - extremely well. 

We are, as you would put it, very “bright” & having a “stolen line”!
It is the greatest fun arranging the house which will I hope end by being very nice. At present it is rather in a muddle. The furniture sent here by his grandfather is what you call early Victorian very ponderous and cloddy. We have sent away so much of it, all the worst things that the place is rather empty. Funds for this year are rather scarce so the many alterations we want to do must wait till next year. The weather has been lovely, the whole time it only rains at night which is very kind of it so we are able to be lots out of doors too. Golf walks and motor drives occupy a large part of our time when we're out. On Saturday we went for a big dinner followed by what they call here a soirée given by the lady of the neighbourhood for us to meet all the people about here. We have been here just over a fortnight now and must see anyone we've not excepted to.
Express Eupenie who was here a few days ago to see father - how come you spent a night here last week. How am I going to begin party visits all round v askip people here. I said everyone do exactly set on write they are all full of intelligence very cheerful. All my new family are so nice to me for words do very freely I like it do much feel quite at home with them. The political situation has not got much better there may be rows at any moment.
Sunday

Dear Mrs. Tesla,

It is really

to kid of her to have sent Baby
such a beautiful
"Rattle", thank you
so very much for
it, he enjoys it very
much indeed & how happy
it about Little's
He is getting one adorable & attractive every day!

I hope you want have died of heat on your journey, here we are all
some or less flattened out with it, every Papa says it really is hot.

Thora has been away here for the last few days which has been very nice indeed.

We leave the evening of the 15th having enjoyed ourselves here quite enormously. I'm so glad Gustaf has had a chance of seeing quite a lot of this part of the world. Last year we'll try to come over a little earlier so as to see more people in London. I've asked Clare to come, she will come in January which is very nice here.
to clos, did you kill their mother will call as it is likely to consider as an efficient chemist.

With love as always. Very sorry thanks for Baby's present which I very much appreciated.

B. elsewhere.

Yours affectionately

Margaret.

I'm so glad we managed to squeeze just one short talk while you were here.
Aug 13th 1909

I dear Kenri,

Thank you so much for sending the children the nice toys which you sent yesterday.

I am delighted with them, their arrival caused great joy.

I do so sorry not
I have seen you more of late, we really must manage it somehow. When you come back this summer, we are certain to be here or the 25th. From the 1st of Sept, it is hot! I can't stand it.
charitable in Stockholm knowing he has connections of interest to you doing like that in Sweden I hope he would forgive my writing etc don’t you think that would be alright if I want do it like I hear from you, just a line with yesteryear.

Just a sends many messages snark love from myself Believe —

Yours affectionately

Margaret
Dec 31, 1909

To dear Yemini

Thank you so very much for the very nice book

I am sure we will enjoy it.

I was so sorry to hear you were sick.
Of course I can't join in all the different sorts of varied descriptors it went in a slight v look in v Patz's I go out in paint all all the morning almost every day v we both enjoyed particularly. I've very well indeed v so able to do most things without
feel tired—last night we gave a small dance which went off well. I was not cheerful. Give much love to agnes hart & j.m. so much for the book.

Believe——

I am affectionately your,

Daisy.
Feb 14, 1910

3 dear Demie

I’ve not written for ages but I have
in it had so very much to say either.
It was great fun having Patsy here for
a month & we all enjoyed it so much
s she was so pretty. Sorry to go. I was
glad to have a wire from Hairobi Doig.
They have arrived 3 days ago, I hope they will enjoy the trip. Rome not fitted it too much for her.

It does not seem possible that Papa will be born this year, he always seems to me to be between two or 3 not a day or so she does not look it either.

I am keeping very well indeed though these last 6 weeks are always the worst. I can’t do much exercise do to the days sometimes not rather long. But I think all boys are of great interest anyway. I am so young now and very wide awake full of questions about every thing they’ve grown both in height, breadth look very well.
My father-in-law's illness was very sudden; he was hardly ill at all Sunday on Monday night he had to be operated, we had a few very anxious hours from 7 at night to nearly 2, all of us family sat there all those hours writing telegrams, giving orders about the doctor having to be made repeat he had every try to decide we hope it to change if King will be on the sofa he is going on so well. How are you? I hope feeling strong again. How are all the boys? Clare I've not heard from. I suppose she is in America. Give my love from yourself. Believe me affectionately, Daisy.
Stockholm
April 23, 1917

I dear Jimie

I am writing to ask you to be very kind and help me about the boys' sailor clothes. Will shire tell me how to get sailor clothes for boys from a naval tailor at Portsmouth?
was Vancouver, I don't quite know why to turn to beg ice and about it. I'd like them to have the real feel not if any one, feeling sure you would help me if it could I ventured to write to ask you to tell them (if they still exist) to send us some clothes with long trousers, Shirts, dark set, to try on also I got a card to write down the measurements Do it bother you too much? Edmund was 5 yesterday 5 ½ yard will be 4 the beginning of June they are about the average length & size for their respective ages we hope to arrive in England the 3rd or 4th of June so there is not much time
I am growing so fast that nothing I've got now will look tidy by then, so that my next idea was to have the new sailor clothes ready soon after my arrival. If possible, do please forgive me for writing like this. I'm mention. You have told me to ask Tom if there was anything I wanted. I don't want to bother you about what to do.
What a bore it was
Papa having got ill
like that, it must have been the horrid week
she's so susceptible for cold, so unaccustomed.
I'm glad to hear he's so much better now.
We are very much looking forward to his return.
I hope we shall manage to be in England a little more than 6 weeks.
We've had some very fine warm days here but not many so we've only got as far as crocuses as yet so that it's not exactly really spring as yet.

The children are all three very well indeed. The two boys went to the circus yesterday.

For the first time were quite thrilled, Edmund laughed so much that all the people looked round to see who it was. Baby Ingrid is very sweet.

She can nearly walk by herself now and is beginning to say a few words.

It is so nice to get Clare's letters. They are so happy, she seems positively brimming over with happiness.
Wasn’t it bad luck that for the second time Harriet Wilson could not come here, we were so sorry if we must try again I ask her once more.

I hope you are quite well this year. Once more forgive me bothering you with these domestic details. I wish you love Beloved —

Yours affectionately

Saige.
from Princess Daisy
(birth of Prince Bertie)
1912

Mrs. Leslie
The Ritz Carlton Hotel
New York.

Please forward
U.S.A.
STOCKHOLM

DEC. 29th. 1911.

My dear Leonie

Please dont think me rude or mad writing to you on this typewriter, it is a new toy! I got it yesterday & in getting it am only following Mama's example. Now let me thank you so very much for the beautiful book you sent me for Xmas. I like it so much & am so glad to have it, thank you too very much for your letter, I do hope you will be able to manage to go out to Canada this winter they will so enjoy having you there & showing you everything. I'm awfully glad they seem to enjoy it so much & I'm sure that now they won't mind how long they stay there. From all one hears too, they seem to have made themselves very popular already but that one might have known they would! Nancy writes she hears the same from America. How is Nancy by the bye? She writes in pencil & sounds as depressed as Nancy being Nancy could be! Clare on the contrary writes as cheerfully as ever, I do hope all will go well. I've asked her to send me news at once. I shall be anxious to hear.

I hope you spent a happy Xmas? We had a very happy, the children enjoyed it all so...
they got so many nice presents too almost too many! We've had a lot of bad weather all this month it has done nothing but rain. It has at last turned cold today & that means Sun! I am very well indeed I always am really & trust that the infant will have put its appearance by the first week in March, all being well. now I think I must stop I have so many letters to write again many thanks, much love & our best wishes for the New Year

Believe me
Your affectionately

[Signature]

Please excuse mistakes.
Stockholm.

Nov. 8 10th 1918.

My dear Léonie

It was awfully kind of you to write from Paris about Arthur and Alix, thank you so much for your letter. I did not answer sooner because I did not know where you were, now I take it on chance and am sending your letter to Glaslough. We were so interested to hear how they were getting on and what you had been able to help them with about cloths and so on. I saw a snapshot of them in Madrid in the Díl Graphic of to day, which told me of their whereabouts.

I have not had a line from Arthur since he married but then I could hardly expect to under the circumstances as he is always a bad writer.

How are you did? Did you have a pleasant time in Paris?
We are all very flourishing and have up to the present enjoyed the most wonderful weather which is rather a boon in this northern climate, the winters are long enough without their beginning in October as they sometimes do. It is so nice for the children too, they can be out so much more. As the winter goes on and they have to be kept in a lot they get to look so pale and pasty, it is quite sad.

Can you picture me having to prepare lessons with both the boys every morning! We breakfast at Nine and a quarter of an hour after I begin reading with them, first the one and then the other, it often takes me till 10! and I do a little with them in the evenings too. They each have a class up here at the castle of seven children each, boys and girls and they enjoy it immensely and feel very full of importance about it. They do two hours a day, not counting the time it takes to prepare their
lessons with me. What amuses them most is when I don't know a word in Swedish that they do, they think there is no joke funnier than that! Sometimes they say to me Mummie you can't know this or that because you were not always here!

How is Lionel getting on, have you been obliged to let him leave Eton? If he was not happy there what was the use of his being there.

I have only heard once from Canada since they left and that was a letter from Mama which I got yesterday. Isn't it wonderful the way she is getting on, I do really begin to think now that she will recover entirely and get to be just what she was before. If you are kind and write to me again some day do tell me what you hear of Evie! Much love

From yours affectionately
Stockholm
Jan 2 1904

Dear [name],

Thank you so much for the very nice book you sent me. It is so nice having all Rackham's books as I have for so long by through your kindness.

Thank you too for the letter. I've neglected the two books I sent you were amusing.
we seem to have had a good many troubles in the last year so I for one am glad to have started afresh with it.

I am a little bit ill, my sister is ill, my sister-in-law, her departure in this unhealthy fashion is now the old Queen dying. We were all very fond of her, she was particularly. Richmond just as one was the oldest member of a family often is. She was a centre to all members of the family.

I gravitated naturally. I knew that we shall miss her very much by age, everything is more or less upset for the woman I a little realisation...
It is delightful to hear from both relations and friends that Arthur and the others are well again. We have had all the children ill with the flu. They are at Castle well again and able to enjoy the spell of cold bright weather. We are indulging in skiing, their eyes sparkle at the mere mention of it! We were to have been in the country now, but the morning has altered all that.

With much love to all possible good wishes for a happy 1914.

From

Yours affectionately
Daisy.
Oct 27th 1915.

My dear Leonie

Thank you so very much for writing to me, I was so particularly glad to hear first hand news from Canada and such good news on the whole. As I dare say you too know by experience my family's powers of writing are not very great, Mama writes a few lines every now & then (usually a good deal of abuse of somebody or the climate or something else), Patsy writes about once in three months at the utmost & altho Papa is awfully good about writing & tells us many interesting military things he does not give one much idea of how they are really getting on, but I am most, most grateful for his long letters as otherwise I should simply know nothing & he used to send me on Arthur's too which was so kind. I don't want to grumble, but this was only to explain how very welcome your letters with all its news was.

October has I am afraid again been a very sad month for you and yours, recalling all that happened last year & then bring-
ing such desolation into poor dear Clare's young life. It was so sweet of her, she at once sent me a wire, just as if she wanted me to know at once what had befallen her, so few days after the welcome telegram had reached of the birth of her little boy. It is evidently a consolation to her to know that Wilfred knew of his sons arrival into this world. She wrote me a long long letter a few days ago and told me everything, I was so touched and so wish I were in England to try & be of some slight help to her. She will I trust be helped over the first months by having the baby to nurse herself & by having to control herself for his sake, it will be hard but a help in the long run.

This last advance was dearly bought; as, alas, I fear every advance is bound to be. Captain Smiles, as you used to call him, will be a great loss and poor Lady Egerton having lost her eldest son, such a promising officer is very sad but then what is not sad in this saddest of times! If only one saw an
end to it but that is just what one does not see! Today's Swedish papers don't sound at all reassuring, it looks as if Greece were going against the Allies too. I fear that Balkan question has been badly managed all thro & as to the King of Bulgaria he is the slyest old fox alive. I remember how we hated him as children when he used to come to Windsor, we always called him Nosy and fled away as soon as we saw him a mile off, children have the right instinct about people sometimes.

Here happily there is no more fear of war than there ever was inspite of excitement caused by submarines in the Baltic & what not; things remain quiet. The small very small war party here can do nothing & although a great many officers and most conservatives are pro German and that is personally rather unpleasant still the government & responsible people in every branch are strictly and most correctly neutral in every way & know that it is the only wise course for these northern coun-
tries to remain so.

Winter has set in very early, earlier than any other year I have been here, there is already snow on the ground and yet may trees are still green so it looks too odd. We are all very well and have plenty of occupations, the days are all too short for all we should like to do. That is one of the things I can't understand in Canada, Patsy writes there is nothing to do, surely there must be heaps to do if only you make the effort to find work. My correspondence is immensely increased as so very many people write & ask me to find those who are missing, not only British in Germany, but Germans in England, Russia & France, & it always means two letters at least, besides many foreign relations with whom I never correspond except as a rule write now & ask me to tell mutual relations in hostile countries that they are well or they want money sent, or something or other has to be arranged. Then we work twice a week for four hours at Red Cross work, I kni...
Knit at all odd hours, paint for whole mornings about three times a week besides going out with the children taking them to dancing lessons or gymnastic lessons or doing shopping or writing letters, I think letter writing fills the greater part of my day & to ask Patsy to do that would be an awful punishment.

The next time the children are photographed I must send you a copy, they are growing and changing so. Ingrid has quite left the baby stage behind her, I am sorry to say and has begun music lessons & dancing, both of which she loves, she does Delcroze dancing which is more like musical gymnastics & they learn rythme and how to control all their movements, there are 10 small children in her class & they look too sweet in thin pale grey Greek dresses & bare feet. The boys have a lot to do in the way of lessons now but I have still got Bertil a baby, though he much resents being told so & is in fact the biggest of the lot in proportion, wearing Ingrid's gloves boots & hats.
although there are two years between them.

Here come the boys rushing in asking if they may take their sleighs out after lessons and so I must stop & go to lunch, as we lunch at 12-30 and they have to be at lessons again at 1 o'clock.

Very much love, if ever you have time, do write again.

Yours very affectionately

[Signature]
Nov 13, 1915

Dear Leonie,

Very many thanks for your letter and for so kindly sending me that photo of David. I like it so much. I've not seen a new one for a year or so. I think he's looking wonderfully well considering. I hear his work goes well again so she must be a success. What news have you of Ewie, do you ever see her?
I saw in the morning that my 
crowd was surrounded. I was in 
back. I should like to write to 
Lady if she wants to do so 
it until I know how he is.

All well here. Anfik went to 
men's memorial last night. We 
are sorry to see the training of 
Serbian & Russian invalids that 
pays this here once a week. It 
will make me realize what war really 
is. Kind love from

Yours affectionately, Daisy.
Dec 2nd 1916.

My dear Leonie

As I daresay you will have already heard by letter I saw Mrs Maxwell and we sat and talked for quite a little while, I thought her very nice and she had lots of interesting things to tell me. Her journey seemed to me very adventurous but I trust she will get to Glamania in time. What will she find left of it though when she does, that is the question!

I was so glad to have news of you and of Clare too.

Mama & papa seem to be extremely busy but it is delightful to hear from one and all of how well they are looking and of how unusually handsome Patsy was, only one friend wrote that she looked sad and had grown so thin. Mama looks thin beyond recognition in the odds and ends of photos which appear in the papers and I suppose she is too.

We are all well here, the Baby is getting on splendidly. He is just like all the other children but most like the eldest boy and appears just as wide awake.
I am so sorry that none of my relations or friends have seen Ingrid and Bertil at their most fascinating age. Ingrid is just growing out of being a babygirl & into a schoolgirl, losing teeth and wanting to be so big, she is longing for January to come so as to begin lessons!

I have lots to do, lots of letters to write, lots of people to see usually in connection with the prisoners etc and I spend as much time as I can at the office I have now got here in the castle to deal with all the prisoner questions that now come here in increasing numbers every week.

Hoping you and all yours are very well

Believe me

Yours affectionately

[Signature]

Daisy.
March 28,
1917

My dear Sonnie,

Ever, ever so very much thanks for your letter. Yours was the first I got. Next week ended up with being written after I came back home away. I was so grateful for it. I'd been trying to hear news, details, small incidents, and so on...
Oh Louie, it's been dreadfully hard for me. I know you understand that so well. I feel so dreadfully sad knowing there to help Papa when he must want all he can ask. The blow is an overpowering one for him. I can see so well how helpless a forlorn and lost, almost like a child, he must be without Mama to turn to at every moment. Now one thinks of it, that he never went out of the house without going to woman first, never returned without liking her, none have, then how I didn't know they understand that he feels like every hour of the day! I personal grief vanishes at the thought of him! I wrote selfishly. I am at home and will be very great these last years, ever since I've married. I've been so used with her. She was always at home she wanted me too. All the time is the remembrance is precious now to him. I think...
that when I come back
the home will never be the
same again. I don't come
back to it as it was when I was
a child but thank God it'll
be dreadful! all away
to this war, it made the
journey almost impossible.
I'm so thankful to know the
end was so peaceful that's
much to be thankful for.

Somehow feel that Anna
is so near, she sees us
all I understand better to
ever all we are trying to be
she. I almost feel her
sadly at that she would
approve of it. It's Papa I
worry in crying about was
now. I know you will be
a great help. such a dear true
friend as you've always
been to us all. I'm glad I know you there near by. I'm 'a help 'Patsy too to do the work try. I make herself useful to Papa. Thora too will I know be ready to do what she can.

The sympathy shown we here is quite wonderful. It is very touching. I did not know there were so many who thought about me.
They are so genuinely sorry for not having been able to go home at such a time. Their sympathy, the atmosphere of sympathy all around has been a real help. I'm sure Papa had the same feeling to a still greater degree.

the sympathy shown he must have been very great.

With my best love.

Believe

I am affectionately

Daisy.
My dear Leonie

It was so like you and so dear of you to write me such a long letter with so many details of those sad days, thank you so much for it. Yours was one of the very best of the many descriptions I have at last got. You told me many small unimportant details that no one else did and that though unimportant in themselves were of so much interest and made everything seem more vivid. I shall never never of course cease to regret with all my heart that I was not able to be there and so every little bit of news I get is of value. I so well understand and quite see as you do that for Mama it was best & what she would have liked best, just to have Papa with her and he alone, they were all the world to one another & I think it so wonderful & so splendid that Papa keeps up as everyone writes he does, knowing what it must mean for him, surely Her Spirit is
very near him, helping, guiding giving new strength all the 
time! Even I, here, so far away from an earthly point of 
view have seemed to feel lately as she were so much nearer now 
than she has been all these long three years and a half since I 
last saw her. My last most vivid memory of her is dressed ready 
for Arthur’s wedding looking frail but so happy and bright, she 
sent for me to come & see she looked all right before she left 
her dressing room & that memory remains more clearly than any 
other! How well it is we don’t know what the future has in store 
for us! Who could possibly then have dreamt of my never seeing 
her again altho she was to live for three years & a half more!

All the services have been most beautiful, simple & so 
peaceful & what she would have liked. I can well imagine that 
it was a help to Papa during those first days to fuss about the 
flowers and everything and try & get all arranged as Mama would 
have wishes. The blank must seem worse now, when he has to 
take up every day life again & she is not there to help.
I am sure Patsy will do her best and try to be a companion to papa, but perhaps it won't be so easy, she has not done much in that way before. I wish I could have come & helped, he & I have always got on so well & I like to hear as you write that he speaks of me constantly but he will no doubt have told you that he thinks it better I should not come till the war is over, it seems Mama felt very strongly about it & he thinks the same.

You ask if there is anything you can do or say or help in any way, you would be an angel if you would go on writing as I long for news. Patsy is not a good correspondent & you know better than I do that Papa writes often but does not tell one so very much. As to Papa I know that you will be just the right person to do what you can for him & that I know that both for his own sake & Mama's you will do & it is a relief to feel so sure about that.
As to Patsy, you speak of her making plans for the future & hope she may be wisely guided, does this refer to R--y, you remember we spoke about it last time we met & I am so nervous as to what may come of it, if she is still thinking about it. Mama talked a lot about it & we discussed it up & down when I was there last but the madness in the family was a stumbling block none of us could get over! Is this really a fact, I have wondered if it really was so, & then someone wrote me once that his brother Lord D. was said to be going off his head, is this so. You can well imagine that now Mama is gone I am doubly worried about Patsy & when you wrote you hoped she would be wisely guided I jumped to the conclusion it was on this subject! Does she talk to you about it? If so do beg of her to be careful & what has he got to say himself in the matter? Patsy wrote nothing about it so don't mention my writing no doubt she will say something later but you can understand I'm worried & anxious to know. How sweet of you to have thought of me & my wedding
that day at St Georges, how happy we all were then. It is
good to know that Mama approved so much of my marriage &
that she & Gustaf were so great friends, he mourns her loss
very much, they had so many interests in common.

We are all well here. My Baby is a great consolation & as
he is entirely dependent on me I have been obliged to pull
myself to gather & keep calm for his sake, though it has
been a difficult task at times.

Very much love & from Gustaf too

Ever

yours affectionately

[Signature]
My dear Leonie

Thank you so much for your nice letter from Bagshot. You told me so many things I wanted to know & I felt much relieved to know that Papa was well & taking up his military work again. I am sure this is best for him. I was glad to hear you thought Patsy was slowly taking her place at the end of the establishment, poor child I am afraid it won't be so easy, it is not really the sort of thing she likes, but she will manage it very well all the same. Thora I am sure was a help she is so understanding & sensible. I have heard by telegram that she is ill & may be so for some time to come & I am so sorry, but I fear she has been overdoing things ever since the war broke out.

How sad it must have been to see dear familiar Bagshot without Mama, but her spirit remains hovering over it all
I am sure! I was so interested to hear about your visit to Windsor, to the vault, you know I have never been there, so I have no idea what it looks like & as Mama always spoke of it with a great horror, as she had known it in old days I was glad to hear what your impression had been.

The good news from the west front must have a cheering effect upon all; if only this advance could keep on all summer, surely then one might begin to hope the war could come to an end this year. I am longing to come over to England & see them all, although I am sure Papa & Mama were wise in saying I ought not to do so still it is. There is rather a feeling of unrest here just now, the Russian revolution is rather too near & we feel its effects & in these more critical political times it is wisest to be here on the spot. How is Clare, do give me news of her! We are all well here but I am looking forward to getting into the country by the end of the month, I have been doing rather too much on the top of all the worries & sadness & want a real change.

With much love, Jane affectionately. Daisy.
Stöckholm
March 14, 1516

I dear Leonie,

I have received your letter. I was so glad to hear how you and your family are getting on.

Is it possible that a whole year has passed since dear Leonie left us? It seems hardly possible. All those sad anxieties and events stand so vividly in my memory, and I find it difficult to forget them. Since you were in London at the time, you must have encountered various difficulties.

Yours sincerely,

[Signature]
writes: "He lives in another world
for that -- he is so far that
does not make him less truly
the worst of it is that so
dreadfully, as everyone at
every other hour, in all his
occupations."

Patsy too

sounds depressed; she doesn't
seem to have enough real
daily occupation, and was
in fact, does she? I wish
she'd carry it all herself
very vaguely and never say
anything like that to me, but
I guess from what several
others have written.

The world is a fallingplace
at times and if it, at present
all seems chaos suffering
anxiety uncertainty! The plot of the only does one's best. I mean in the end very good a very wonderful case is not enough of all its unsealable mystery. It's all obscure in darkness a mystery for present. One must look ahead. There are doubts troubles ahead for all countries at this particular moment. Russia seems to be having the worst time. Such a state of chaos as seems there can't be worse herbs himself. They say it is too awful. Dead horses in various stages of decay have become part of the architecture of the streets of Petrograd! Food is very scarce of course as the book does not care to them it looks as
If the people will go to the roads! That is the desert the towns that are threatened with famine in the near future. No food is still plentiful.

The German and Austrian prisoners are in great trouble. There, near all the Austrians have turned Bolsheviks and obey no one. Rich people over the head if they don't want that they won't. Most of the camps are one or two evacuates on the guards have left and the prisoners are taking off.
All the children are well. The two boys seem dreadfully big. Old Bertie aged 12 was nearly 13 last week. Old Bertie aged 6 begins this autumn. The baby is the same age. Bertie was when we were last in England. He's a great joy; very full of fun. I laugh all day long when I see him. He seems uncommonly musical. He loves any form of music, dances in time to it all the way. I'm writing.

I have just been reading Tabitha's (Thane's) book. I was much interested in it. We have...
I hope we are not all as bad as he makes us out to be. I don't think English can be as deteriorated as all that. He is uncommon good at the actual crisis, though, so it seems to me.

I hope this will find you.

John sends his love with my very best love.

Believe me ever yours affectionately

Jas.