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Dear Collins:-

Your card has just come in. I need not write you how very badly I feel for all of you, and all the family. Even tho' the outcome may have been expected, the shock, the sense of loss is none the less sad. For your father the change may come to which he had looked forward, for I think that he had feared the deep long since sight & hearing were so feeble. But such length was not due to any lack of care and attention. You certainly were for him eyes and ears and more all through these last years, and I doubt if any of us quite realize how much you've done, so quietly do you work.

I'm very sorry that work here prevents me from coming to Providence. Tomorrow is the next to the final day of school, with rehearsals for a little

closing entertainment on Friday, and its day will be
much broken up by extra work. Otherwise I should
certainly do what I could to attend. I thought much
of your father.

~~Please~~ extend my sympathies to all the others
in the family. Under the circumstances, and
of the usual Christmas expressions would be
meaningless. But I know you'll understand the
necessity of my failing you.

Sincerely,

Charles Lakin



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