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Dear Uncle Walter.

If I were more methodical, more, that is to say, like you, and my sister Mary, I would keep a letter book, and so know if I wrote to you on record the Cedric ten days ago. But I am pretty sure I did and so you will have had late news of me. On my arrival, I found yours and Mangano's of February 27th which must have arrived just after I left and which Dick omitted to forward me. As always, with how busy you are and with what interesting things you two

is preoccupied. I thought over the idea of my stroking insects into a bottle. I should say there was not one single small thing of the kind here which differed from its American cousin. In English, as you surely know, the word "bug" signifies only the kind and is untechnical in Robin circles. It is a great breach of manners. For a semi-tropical climate I should think we had a very small insect world. The greatest pest is a small black ant, which was yours ages, imported from Brazil. He is horrid but ugly, and it is a constant fight to kick them out of the house. All the less

much I was angry. And I have
of ~~had~~ ^{had} more trouble
of late now. It is not a bit brighter and
I think and is becoming stronger. I will
just sit all the pieces and keep on with
it. I really know very little about flowers.
To perhaps I'd better come in. — Madeline
Wilderness. Only no going up tomorrow
with a friend or a month's trip in
view. Where she has been seen and the
bright. To have a very great time. She
is married. Doctor. He is her boy on
or what? She has been working in a
ranger office in Tucson for five years

of reflection and there were
tables one behind the other of
petroleum, oil good is
produced, and I have a
flock of diluted cocaine
sublimated with which all
the edges of the floors and
windows are painted, &
still after a rainy day,
& even when wind from
in the house, for the
garden is free of them.
Will you have one of these?
There are garden spiders and
spiders and flies
butterflies. Earth that odd.
And the dogs have on
occasional flea but they
look like all other fleas
to me. The garden made
green studios in the three

and the ~~5~~⁵ weeks around the
mill end they have think-
down for now at my
rate. ~ don't know if Otto
means to go back but he
seems to be enjoying himself
w- her very much and
evidently thinks five years
apart from girls entitles
him to flirting with about
six ch- ones.

My letter from Rome reported
Mother as nearly much
stronger. She was worried
over American birds and
afraid of redistricting in
northern Scotland &c.

The first reports of the hu-
man loss of life seem to have
been very much exaggerated

Feb. 6 Suppose it - has all
sun ~~had~~ had enough. Is this
Mr. Page a good man for
London? Wilson is evidently
making himself a laughing
stock among foreigners
with his ideas of money.
I send the White House
luncheon menu the other
day. Salad beans and
steamed apples! I think
a man who represents a
country should put aside
personal prejudice and
live so that men can
criticize. I took up this
half sheet of paper. and
now I must go on
to another bit. as I
remember that - I want
to ask you about a

return Dr. Pyle's. If Dr. - is
how you ^{Madeira} spell
his name. I rec'd him ¹²
when he was on his way
to a medical congress in
Monaco where he was to
speak on the trop. worm
disease which I believe he
either invented or discovered.
And I am interested because
he told me that during
the day he spent here, he
found distinct traces of
it among the Portuguese.
I would not dare to ask
any of the Portuguese
doctors here as while they
are very wary now about
which disorders fever, they
are too fond to investigate

etc. There is one young man
whom I know quite well
and whom I might
mention if there is nearly
anything in it. Is the
whole thing a fact or not?
And where could I write
in my publications? To
the Smithsonian?
I also want to tell you
that there is a nearly very
good story in the World
Every Friday. I thought you
would like to know?
It is in order and nice
how there is now in Rome
and I nearly think the
look of death. So Mandarins
take drink. My husband
you are excellently well in
my absence and the

comes who were with me
to see John our new
son and have been
here to see him.

Helen.

does see the people who
mind us the most.
I have nearly ate me up
with joy. I am growing
so distract. What do you
think I am doing now.
Raising chickens. To be
true my Portuguese maid
does mind up h- fah-
talk learnedly of the right
order of the eggs for
the eggs to hatch and
I feed the yellow babies &
help the eggs up to a
certain &c. Dick is much
more interested when they
come to the dinner table.
Here is my tea! Come along,
hot-servus and plum cake
I had best of a Dick was



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