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Dear Charley,

Thank you for your Christmas letter and congratulations on making it so brief. I have always felt grateful for your annual greetings. Most of my friends and many of my relatives gave up on me long ago.

I enclose my note in a card from my Mother's collection. I have always liked pictures like ~~the~~ this, which offer a vista, a glimpse of landscape and people off in the distance.

I have been thinking of you recently, not only on your own account and in your immediate family framework, but as a possible friend and healer in the difficult problem of Peter Bingham's son, Nishon.

Would you consider offering your help as a regular visitor? It seems to me that a person, especially a child, who has been so ill and become so ~~is~~ isolated needs to have

events and visitors to which he can look forward.
I know that this may be a difficult and,
perhaps impossible, undertaking, but if you
could do even a little, it might mean
a great deal. There are times of desolation
when a small event may change the
scene. Perhaps you also know that a
person who does not seem to respond to
one's efforts may still be encouraged and
pleased by what you do or say. Some-
times with a child, doing ~~less~~ showing a
picture or an object is ^(less demanding) more interesting
than talking. Can you draw simple
pictures? If you discover any sorts of
books or pictures that might help, please
let me know. I don't have much
time to shop, but I would like to send
something from time to time.

love

Aunt Margaret

Where is Wolcott Drive?

Do you drive to work, walk, Subway?

You will see by what I did to
the envelope my attention wandered.

Best telephone # is our office # which is 617. 868. 4666
call forwarded to home