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I wonder if Lady Godiva is in her new home yet. I have the drawing of the garage pinned up on the wall of my room. Amice says it looks more like a church than a garage.

We have been keeping the Observer's<sup>ste</sup> down in the temple to read after lunch & I am afraid have forgotten to bring them back to the house & poor Nannie is making such a fuss because she wants big newspapers to cover her table & shelves etc. we have promised to send her the big pile of looked at ones.

Lots of love from us all to you

all.

Your affectionate daughter Myrtle.