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Dora, Ala.,
10-12-18.
10.30 p.m.

Mr. B. K. McCullough
Camp Pike, Ark.

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with best regards, Sincerely (Mrs.) G. V. Gettys.

will be taken off on the 4.00 a.m. fast mail for the B'ham Infirmary to undergo the absolute necessary operation.

Her last request when I left her bedside a few minutes ago, was that I write advising you, and asking that you write her at West End, % B'ham Infirmary.

I am very much impressed with the child's straight forwardness towards you; having found your letters and pictures at her finger tips. You must always be candid to this perfect innocent youth, she is so precious to all of us here.

You can well imagine our pain in seeing preperations made for her departure, and while there is no longer any danger in such operations, we can not but feel greatly worried, and of course extend our utmost sympathy.

Mr. & Mrs. Fossat are brokenhearted to think that poor little Gaby should be subdued to such suffering, but this is expected and cannot be remedied until their only child is again in perfect physical condition

I am greatly sorry that I cannot accompany Gaby to Bham, and remain with her during her stay, but my having accepted the Southern Ex. Agency, here, deprives me of this duty towards her; However, Mrs. Fossat & Mr. Fossat are both going, and the mother is to remain.

Your sweet letters are of a great relief to this little girl, so do not hesitate to flush her with mail, that only will account for a speedy recovery.

Influenza is sweeping our town; schools, churches, shows, lodges etc. being temporarily suspended.

Will keep you posted with all information possible; Do not hesitate to inquire.

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