

4/22/12

Laura dear,



In this little piece
of work I've done for you for
your birthday are woven, beside
the pattern, many wishes for
your future.

In it, exists a family senti-
ment - connecting your life &
interests of tomorrow, with your
Mother of today, & your
Grandmother of yesterday,
as the material I found among
her things.

I hope all that was

fine and noble and good in
her life, the little in mine,
will be carried on by you in
your mature life, just begin-
ning. Remember you have
had those back if you to be
proud of, & that you must
live to have your children's
children proud of you.

Today at 2, you are everything
that is sweet & fair, charming
& lovable, & strong & fine & I
sincerely hope the future
will have for you all that
such a nature & such a

character desire. Then is my girl
that I know who compares with you
my precious child, & to say that I
am proud of you, & love you, does not
half express my feelings.

My little Run, Laura dear, how
my whole life, all my interests are
bound up in you?
Mother.

For Laura

to read

When she is alone —

on her

21st Birthday

April 22 - 1912