

the exigency of my occupation,
that when it is over, I slump
with the blessed feeling that
it can't happen again for
a year. I do so want to
see you & ~~Pleasant~~ and
hope I can get you here
shortly. would you come
to tea, or dinner some even-
ing? That photo delights
me so, as it is the best in
its best pose & lighting, &
brings out to a remarkable
degree, the expression of his-
tency to inspiration, &
the selflessness before genius
of the individual possessing
it, which is the most rare

My dear Miss Gilpin

What must you
think of me for leaving
that wonderful "Xmas Card"
so long unthanked? I went
away for Xmas week & came
back & found it there, &
with it so much else to be
answered and to do that
I've pushed it off by degrees.
Xmas is such a stupendous
affair in my case owing
to the size of my family &

aching phase of Brenda's
creation

Brenda wants done.

With more thanks than I
can express for Ende
a wonderful present and
the thought which prompted
it.

I am, with very best to
Brenda,

Yours most sincerely

Lydia F. Emmet.

Jan. 14th

I hope that I can soon
find the chance I want to
begin one of the babies