

figure-work - also city-scapes
from some of the high buildings.

We shall play Cox & Box -
he working upstairs while
I work down here, & vice
versa.

Charnides has actually
gone to Florida. Bob & his
wife started yesterday. They'll
be down there about a week -
he setting the thing in place -
she bathing in sun & sea &
trying to shake off a bad cold.

Jane is busy cleaning round
about me so I must get out
of her way. Wish I could hear
you "debate"! Good luck with it.

Your Brendie

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Laurie Dear:

Your bully news of
the prize just here. I can
hardly wait to get to a
news stand - but fear I
must hold my horses until
tomorrow, as today is full up.

This past week has been
a very sad one, because
dear young "Josh" Nelson
died quite suddenly -
Tetanus, from a mere
scratch on the wrist by
a rose-thorn in the garden!

He had put mercurochrome on it & forgot about it. Next day he strapped up the wrist, strained in playing ball, & thus, apparently sealed the poison in. In a week he was gone. Floss & John have been simply marvelous, but it was a cruel blow. Their second child to go - & such a beautiful and brilliant boy! I am sick over it.

For Heaven's sake tell everyone you know to be careful of scratches from

roses that have been bedded in manure. It comes often from that I'm told.

Eliot is coming in tomorrow to camp out for about a week in my top side high studio. We'll leave a narrow cot & a bathroom, but where he's going to keep his clothes, or whether he'll leave room to paint up there, is still a question. He wants to do some