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Dear Laura - Yours '30. read also telegram,
and I am so glad to hear from you so fully -
My last visit with Joe at home, was the Wednesday (my
regular visiting day with him) after Christmas - he seemed
quite "droopy" - little today & finally called Minnie &
said his stomach felt uncomfortable & she gave him
some drops. I then left, and she went to the door
with me, & said he had eaten some fruit cake and
was upset &c. & when I phoned next day said he had
abdominal hemorrhage, & Dr. took him to St. Luke's Hosp.
saw him several times, and tho' roused, & glad to see
me - relapsed soon into drooping state - when I called
afternoon of 24th, was told he died 10 am. that day -
I then saw, as I believe I told you, Mary (Tompkins)
Hall (Mrs Thomas S.) & told me ^{of} phoning his relatives, as
follows - Warren L. Gazzam - Bremerton Wash., 2^d cousin -
John & Creighton Churchill, of - - - Vermont &
Mrs Alan (Churchill) Butler - 94 Brattle St. Cambridge Mass.
Capt. - Donald, U. S. N. retired, Washington D. C. - I met
all except Capt. D. - did not come - and liked Mrs B.
(Little Mabel) he always spoke of her - Mabel Hall of St. Louis
her mother married Winston Churchill - she no relation to Mrs. Thomas
Hall) very much - also, Warren Gazzam (did not see
much of John C. & Creighton) Altho' Joe, called himself

A heretic, he knew Dr. Sweet of Christ Church Cath-
edral, and liked him - and the Dr. conducted the
service at the Home - and it was most impressive &
dignified, from the ^{CHARLES JANNEY MILLER} Book of Common Prayer -
Sweet to Cemetery ^{4472 MARYLAND AVENUE} in car with old
^{SAINT LOUIS 8, MISSOURI}
Minnie, Miss Josephine Bakewell (old friend of his wife)
2 Misses Case, distant relatives, and Mrs. Biess the
"Archivist" of Missouri Historical Society, for had
been much interested in " " " and has given
it many papers & books, he had collected - ^{when} you
write, I suggest you address Mrs. Butler - and I'm sure
she will be glad to hear from you - Noting your remark
about illness etc - See "Time" magazine Jan. 25th about
Father Busse - R/C priest in Parsons, Kas. at Mercy Hospital
(what a beautiful name for it) he retrieved body of Col.
Palmer Earle, husband of my niece Ellenor (William's)
Earle - when he & a sergeant were slain by Japanese
sharpshooters on Attu Island, day they landed there, &
E. wrote me in Oct. that Fr. Busse was in St. John's Hosp. here
for operation, & to get in touch with him - went to see him twice
befor he was transferred - He was so cheerful & happy,
laughed & said he'd read more magazines & books, in 3 weeks
than all rest of his days - never had time - yes, I rem-
ember Mr. Foster very well, but didn't know her
well enough by her first name - and her gracious
manner - my best regards to her, please - now, who is
Mary Fayon? does she belong to the old Lackland fam-
ily? We know her, if she does - I addressed a Christmas
card to Lucy, but came back - "unclaimed" - Well, now,
Lama I've rambled along. my eyes, & pen are poor, but
I hope you can puzzle this - and when you come to St. Louis
prepare to spend some time and I have plenty of room & good house-
keeper - Love to you both - Affly, Your cousin - S. J. M.

3) my paper - my eyes, & my pen nearly gave out, excuse please -

I neglected to say Warren G. is a very interesting man - 2 years younger than Joe, and 1 year younger than me - I had my 92nd birthday Jan 7th now you figure it all out!

Also - I have 104 nieces & nephews, including "Greata" & Gt. Greata - and know them all except 3 who live near Princeton N.J. & have not seen them - they are Polly's & mine together -

I do hope your new book will be a best seller (Heard the Siren of fire engine, at this point, and had to run out to see them pass - still enough of a kid to enjoy that, and along came pretty Mrs. Moore wife of my sculptor neighbor - they returned from Santa Fe last week, & carried "me" to church with them, & remarked they regretted not to have seen you - but I told them you were busy in the Hopi Country, about your book, and they were quite interested - both quite artistic, & well I seem to have run out of parentheses, so had better stop - However - forgot to give you Mary's address - she is really nearest to Joe - Mrs. Thomas B. Hall - 4934 Pershing Ave St. Louis 8. Mo