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Mum Dearest,

I'm sitting up looking
out at the river & writing
at the same time - which
is not very clever. It is
a wonderful feeling however
to be out of bed for the
first time. The Doctor
came in early this morning
& said that tomorrow
they will try to teach me
to breathe. He does not

approve of most treatments
of Euphysema for me - they
are drastic & must be
repeated - & I gather -
nervously ~~something~~
Exhausting He seems to think
that with control (&
lots of the penicillin-like
drug when I do get a
cold - etc) I will be much
better off - & so do I.

I do feel 1 million per cent
better than the day I
came in here. I'm still

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work - but after all I haven't
been out of bed - I'm
short of breath if I do
anything - but I was
panting before - from doing
nothing - So I feel real
progress has been made.

I do like Dr. King - he
really is our kind of
doctor - I've told you
all about him over the
phone - I about me too.

I think about Thursday
I shall be heading once
more for Beech Hill &
very eager to do so. I
do so thank you and Peter
again and again for
all you do for us and
are doing now to make
this possible for me.

It seems I'm always thanking
you for something - but ~~am~~
anyway - I am thankful -
Our very very best love to
you both, always - Bet.