Dear [Euciene ?],

I have received you letter & find it rather a doleful account of poor Dody -- at which of course I feel actually a little disappointed as I am trying so hard by all that unsparing love & money can accomplish to make him what I & his precious mother want him to be. I trust that after a time he will develope [sic] & prove in all respects worthy & happy man. He seemed to me to have improved a great deal in mind conduct & in losing his too fat & bloated & shooting up in height.

I don't think I could have spared him any longer as his vacation is the time I can see much of him without interfering with his studies tho I am always glad to have been with you & shall always teach him to love you next to myself & do all I can to draw tightly the family ties.

The baby has slight [?], summer complaint & Loulie is ailing as she will probably have an addition in January next. I am anxious to get them to the bracing L George air. We hope to start Tuesday night, if Dody arrives in good turn. I am very glad that Dody has enjoyed his visit as much as I expected he would, write you & thank you on his behalf for your care & affection.

I send hererwith \$2.50 which with the \$120.00 sent before, viz.

RR Ticket \$7.50

Bath 2.50

Wash 2.50

\$12.50

reaches on account -- anything further you may have expended for him please let me have & I will remit.

With kindest regards to Mr. Magruder

Yours affectionately

J Buchanan Henry



