

I shall live on here as
we lived since 1883, and
Miss Brown who took care
of Mrs. Deane's father & mother
for 12 years, and has been
with us for 4 years will
be with me and take
care of the home & her
absolute devotion.

Well, dear brother,
we surely are in God's
keeping. Sincerely
Walter Deane

April 26. 1917.

29 Brewster Street
Cambridge Mass.

Dear Collins:

Your good letter has
come. I am so sorry
that your mother has gone
from you, but if she
could never be well and
enjoy life, we must be
grateful that the end has
come, hard as it is for
those left behind. Your
father must be a remarkable
man -

Mrs. Deane had not been well for some years, but she had enjoyed life with us all and she had a very happy summer at the mountains last year. The trouble was hardening of the arteries and other complications. She did not improve after our return in the fall, and yet I had no realization that the end was anywhere near till a week before she died. We had been so happy

together for 38 years, that I am so lost. I must be grateful that all suffering is over, and I must wait patiently till we meet again.

I am living as quietly at home and keeping busy all the time. I have so many resources that I shall never be idle.

You will let me know when your plans are fixed.



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