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My dear Mrs Devison —

Thank you  
very much for the piller —  
it is a charmer — Some day  
we shall have lots of poppies  
in their native habitat —

I had a terribly hard  
time over my decision about  
China. At first I thought  
that I really had to go, <sup>and</sup> ~~and~~  
from the standpoint of  
position, I probably should  
have gone — because it is  
the first time a woman  
has had a full chair in

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A man's institution - I must  
ask you not to let it get  
out now that I have declined.  
I made up my mind that  
I cared more for my research  
than I did for positions and  
just now there is so much  
planned for the next two  
or three years that just  
couldn't go and leave it.  
Cunningham and Drac  
are getting more and more  
proof that my theory is  
correct - so I am pretty happy -

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When I am ready to return from active teaching I should enjoy a position for research in some other laboratory - and then I might like a year in Pelouze. Four were asked to go there next year - two of them have slowed down in research - the third wanted to go because his subject is parasites - but the chance made me realize that the next two or three years are likely to be my best -

I wrote Dr. Dewar a long letter about the blow with the other day - thinking that he would be

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Especially interested - I felt  
pretty worried about him  
because his letter sounded  
as if he had been pretty much  
used up by that Anti-vivisection  
campaign. He was to return to  
Denn about the 20<sup>th</sup> of

January -

I trust my letter isn't too  
hard to read - your writing  
is so wonderfully clear - Mine  
feels worse and worse - At any  
rate, I send lots of thanks  
for my poppies -

Affectionally -

Flora R. Sabin