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Dear Josh.

Sorry I have been so slow in answering you, but you can imagine that Rita's death and the rather furious tempo of laboratory work have not been conducive to correspondence.

I have done every thing possible to find you the sandals you wanted. The purchasing agent for the Rook Bros. stores says that they have been off the market for at least a year and are quite unobtainable. There are, of course, other sandals, but I presume you have them in Madison, too. If you should want me to find you another kind give me a description of exactly what you want (type of sole, heel, etc. as well as the size).

Will you please call Sandy and tell him that I could come any time between January 27 and Feb 10 most conveniently, the earlier dates being preferable. If this period is acceptable, ask him to let me know at once so I can make my plans.

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We have some very interesting stuff to report.
Your velvet method works beautifully for Ed,
and we shall use it in class.

'Am looking forward to seeing you
soon. Give my warmest regards and
best holiday wishes to Esther.

Yours as ever,

Mike.