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Dear Mother: Pearl's letter was received last week and was read with joy and gladness. While this is written to you it is also intended as an answer to her letter, and I trust she will accept it as such. We were particularly glad to hear that you had a canary again. Both Bonnie and I held and had expressed the opinion that Herbert would get you a new bird, and that he was only awaiting the opportunity to procure and deliver it. Pearl's letter only confirmed our preconceived opinion. Another thing, we both are of the opinion, i.e. if you have not already named the bird, that he should be called "Victor Hubert". Our reason for this is not so much that Hubert supplied the bird, which was on his part no work of supererogation, but because "Schubert" seems from Pearl's account to be an unlikely name, and we think it is time to experiment on something different. If it is desired to commemorate the memory of the dear departed, I would suggest that the bird be called "Corvall III", in memory of Corvall II who killed him and of Corvall I who suggested his replacement. Besides if he should turn out to be a good ^{singer}, as we all hope and desire, he would "Caral" anyway. However