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Dear Dr. & Mrs. Coates,

Thank you very much for your very attractive Christmas card, sent to us both & for the "extra" enclosed in it, which of course I claimed for myself! I shall not use it for a handkerchief but as a "modestly" vest! It is much too dainty for the nose!

I distinguished myself by getting a very bad cold, & I lost my voice! However I feel much better to-day. I must get well for shall need to be busy as "Hostess" to Miss Gould, for she arrives on Dec 29th & will be with me until Jan 10th, altho' she may be asked to Pam for a few days. On Jan 10th Clara goes to Sir Robert Kotze until Jan 24th. You will see notices of her lectures in the week-end "Argus"

I am busy on memories of

the beauty of the English countryside
for I have lately returned from
3 months holiday there & I
enjoyed every minute.

I have heard from
Helen Jung how busy you both
are over the Festival Opera. I
expect the days are not long enough,
benable you to do all you want to!

We both send you & your
family our very best wishes for
good health, harmony & happiness in
1952.

Thanks you again for your
nice gift to me

Yours sincerely
Lucy Ellen Deatthe
