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My dear Miss Bissell:—

I do not know whether you know I am in Maine, I met Dr. Robin at the National Conference in Boston in June + got all the Delaware news from him, so it certainly was pleasant to see Dr. Robin + to hear from the old field of work.

I am writing to ask if you can give me some data on Red Cross Seals. I have been asked to give this talk on the after care of this tuberculosis soldier to the Home Serviceman class of the Red Cross + I thought it would be a good opportunity to tell of the relationship with the Anti-Tuberculosis Association since 1908. Do you think I could get a seal for each year since they were first issued, you have them without doubt but I do not know that you have one of each to spare to me. if you have I certainly would be glad to receive them as a gift

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or a loan.

My work here is very interesting we are trying to locate every case of tuberculosis in Maine no easy task but in time it will be accomplished.

I do not know how long I shall remain Arizona has asked me to come out there + I may go but Mr. Jacobs wants me to remain here for the present.

I find a very delightful lady in Bangor Mrs. Prentiss who has ~~ha~~ met you in ~~Bang~~ Bay Harbor.

Of course you are all rejoicing in Delaware over the good news—the end of war—are we not in a glorious age!

I had a very delightful time in Gardiner Maine where I met Mrs. Laura E. Richard + her charming family perhaps you have met her!

I realize how busy you are but hope you may be able to send me some words that will help the two causes the Red Cross + the Anti Tuber. I think it is the occasion to have the Home Service realize very fully² that Anti Tuberculosis is one of the big responsibilities + to emphasize the fact that you realized this in 1908 will help greatly.

My first talk will be in Waterville on Nov. 26th.

Address for this month—
12 Center St.
Waterville, Maine

With warm affection for you + a continued interest in all the
good work in Delaware yours cordially

Elizabeth Sumner

¹ Above this list, the red double-barred cross of the Anti-Tuberculosis Society.

² Best guess at word.