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Miss Phillipa Strachey,  
London & National Society for Women's Service,  
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S.W.1.

Dear Miss Strachey,

Please forgive me for not answering your former letter which I received at home. It is the terrible fate of any letter that goes to my private address I am afraid!

Of course I remember you at the Fawcett Lecture at Bedford College, and as you have asked me to do this talk so far ahead as May 14th, I accept with pleasure provisionally.

If by any chance there is a first night or any such important occasion in the theatre that I might have to attend, would it be possible for me to transfer the lecture to another date provided I gave you a fair amount of notice? It is rather difficult to give you a definite answer as we have not yet arranged our programmes for that month.

With all good wishes for 1953,

Yours sincerely,

*Marie de Valois*