Lyme, Conn. June 22

Most beloved daughter,

You did write me an enchanting letter on Sunday--so long + lovely + so interesting. I am glad that [Chester?] Springs is so ideal a place--lt sounds perfect--those [hours? we? illegible] [edge of page covered by paper] the cellar! A letter from [T.K.?]B. tells me she leaves N.E. [tomorrow?]--I [wired?] her in[illegible, partially covered by paper] (a few minutes ago) begging her to come to me [+ I would meet her?] in Boston. I worded it careful so as not to sound [green?] for T.K.B—I hope she will come to me + stay until she goes to camp. The food could be so easily managed + I think it would be safer than going back to Phila + work—don't you?

[Saluka?] + Artie are as nice as possible—really lovely people. I am glad Artie came as there is really enough work for both, + its so nice for them to be together—William [cheers?] me daily of course--+ brings up crab for [Saluka?]—I am having the comfort of the range during this cool weather.

Sophie finally decided to go to the W.J.L. [convention] in Dublin + I took her to the train this morn. 5.28 from Lyme. We have had a nice week, very peaceful but very pleasant. I should say and not but. She will return in August to meet her family here.

The house painting is about done + it does look most lovely. I am so glad we decided to do it— It's all sweet, + great fun to have. There is [something much more] pleasant in living [in one's] own house—so much nicer than if this house were rented. I planted 6 pansy plants yest. that I brought from the garden at [Boxwood?]—Sophie says the garden begins to look almost like Boxwood! Its really a long way from what I want, but much better than last year.

Isn't this Senate "slush fund" investigation disgusting for G.W.P.? So [mortifying?] to be defeated by such a man as Vare—if he had won the election perhaps he wouldn't mind so much being investigated—but that would perhaps have been worse—he might have been refused the seat. Do tell me about Mr. [MF.] + his exp. operation—I am [returning?] the cheque to be used for Mrs. Garvey's [rent?] when you need

[written sideways at the top of the first page] it. And wouldn't ice-cream during the summer be nice? Your loving Mother