

July 23, 7.30 p.m.  
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Darling daughter,

I got home  $\frac{3}{4}$  hr ago from Spr. Lake. A 4 hr journey. Such a train I never [inhabited?]. The ex-train yesterday took 2 hrs. but there aren't any this way in the p.m. this should have taken 3 hr. + was 1 hr. late besides. You see how exasperated I am! But I'm not really. Only if I had gotten back in time I was going to Belair. I called up as soon as I got home to explain, for I could only have caught the 6.37 train + I felt as if that extra 1  $\frac{1}{4}$  hour of dust + heat was beyond the [limit?], so I gave it up. The family were all out so I'll have to try again. All

going out tomorrow directly after lunch. This beats off all chance of my going to the Peppers + I did want to do that.

[Thanks?] much for the big [cheque?] dear. \$600. I'll deposit it tomorrow. Miss [Blanchard?] [apropo?] of [cheque?] was lovely this morning. Promised me \$500. Only don't make it possible. She asked about Esthers book, meaning the Play + all I think. I feel like telling her that [Van Horton?] is a hard-passe, but I didn't.

I'll be right here to receive you whenever you come, + I'd much rather you waited for

Esther. I am going to N.Y. to meet [Arthur?] on the 8th + thought I'd spend that Sunday there, as we had planned. But if you are arriving then of course I'll change that plan.

I am not sure of going to [Vanhorton?] next week. It [would?] have to be A. City. Miss Brennan is lazy (don't tell) + has done almost nothing. Miss [Lovenbury?] + I will have to get things pulled together there. We'll hope Miss [Stevens?] can come in August. If only [Dr?] Stevens hasn't promised her to Minnesota. Miss Paul has written to Miss Stevens to ask.

I [went with Miss?]

Van Winkle yesterday as her [8.?] Lewis's. She is president of one of the 2 state Assis of N.J. So attractive she said Dr Shaw had promised 2 weeks campaigning in N.J., one to her Assis + one week to Mrs. [Feickert's?]. Now has written to each of them to say she will not keep the N.Y. campaign until they were [museum?] of the C.U.!!! they're going to [steem?] to the Union. [But?] abhor this interference with their private [attire?].

[Howard Hannman?] will if he can go find us or else come to us to [illegible]. I really don't think he can get off at all. I wrote you what he said. It will be a great disap. to B. Of course it will be

very nice indeed to have Olga. I want Lily [Allestrom?] for a few days, + Adeline + Henry for the 2nd night, + again part each. [As Amber] Hopkins from V. [Harper?] is [to call for both?], + we thought Spencer too would be very nice to get hold of. Wouldn't you like to ask [Mavrey?] Or Percy? I think they might come + it would be lovely to have them. How about Louise Dukley + [illegible], could they come? The babies would be lovely.

Good bye darling. All expecting Miss Lovenbury for a street meeting. Anne McCue is in [Milland?], poultry show, has been at Atlantic

City for 2 days.

It is pretty warm today. But i don't mind it. All very well + sleep fully.

B. comes in [sar?] we meet Miss [Lovenbury?] at 5.20.

Bestest love + I'm always sending it to Uncle H, Aunt E, + the children by Miss Esther, + or Miss Bruen + small Miss Marpe.

Your loving loving

Mother

I had [arrainged?] a painting lesson for yesterday + had to give it up. I'm afraid I'll never be able to try in this [world?]. I [illegible] away with passes in the hair + is made the [three illegible words].