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Miss Louise Lewis,
146 West Lehigh Avenue,
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Dearest Daughter:

Yours of the 14th just received. Many thanks: you know how lovely it always is to hear from you, and this is a most newsy letter, especially about the Buick. I never was so surprised in my life. If you could know the reluctance with which I had left it and the urgings to do so!

The legislature is really hopeless. We have the consolation of knowing that we have done our best, and that even with all the pressure from the higher powers in Washington nothing can be accomplished. That is a queer sort of consolation, is it not? But what I mean is, we should not really have been satisfied had we not come down to find out for ourselves and had we not done everything that was humanly possible to get results.

Mrs. Catt's representative has been working for a Presidential suffrage bill and lobbying for that, not for ratification. I have met a great many people, very charming ones, and should like to see more of them. The editor of the Constitution is giving a luncheon for me to-day, otherwise I should be leaving this morning. I shall leave to-night if there is a good train, if not to-morrow, arriving in Washington either Thursday night or Friday at midday. In any event, I shall expect to leave Washington Saturday for Belair if it is convenient for them to have me; if it is not, I shall go right on to Philadelphia. I will call you up from Washington. Do, however, go to Louise Atherton's. I had forgotten until just this minute you had spoken of that. You and I can get our dudds together and start off sometime next week; I must visit Miss Anthony for a day or two first. She asked me to come and stay as long as I could. I am so sorry for her. She must be desperately lonely, and I fear always will be.

Best love to you.

Have just come from the governor - Everything

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