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Sunday evening

Dearest daughter,

It was [underlined] so [/underlined] nice to find a letter from you and one from Shippy waiting here at the hotel for me. The very sight of the envelope was so cheering that I felt surer than ever of having a successful mission. But that success is oozing away.

Next day

I've seen all the leaders + they all say the same - ratification imposs. this session. All can do is to state off

[underlined] official [/underlined] repudiation of Congress' action. This of course, would be frightful. Governor hasn't lifted his finger so far - but have had 2 interviews [strikethrough] from [/strikethrough] with him today, and he begins to shew signs of life. Atty general running next year for governor, + doesn't want to do anything for stuff. on that account. Had a talk with him today. Will see him again tomorrow + try to get him excited over the probable defeat of the Dem. Party next year if [Grimke?] does not act. They really do sit up when I tell them there are 15 million women voting [underlined] already [/underlined], whose eyes are fixed upon the Georgia legislature this minute; and who are waiting to judge the D. Party by her action now. My generous daughter we'd just love to have your gift if you can really spare it. I think it might mean another state. We've got all the chance

[underlined] 2 [/underlined]

in the world if we were not so held up for lack of cash. We can't look for much help from Mrs Catt's people - they are introducing a bill for [underlined] Presidential [/underlined] suffrage here tomorrow, if you can believe me! Also, Mrs. Catt has sent an organizer who, instead of working for ratification is going all over the state enrolling women in the League of Women Voters - women who have no vote - can you beat it? As Esther would say.

Love you much.

Your Ma.