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Carvel Hall, Annapolis Jan. 26

Dearest Daughter,

I've just been writing Shippen a more or less detailed acct of our hopes and fears... sprained my ankle yesterday coasting down hill with Bob.....

Washington - Sunday

Dearest Mother,

.... I went to Howard's supper meeting on Thursday night in Annapolis. He had a fine lot of legislators they all enjoyed it..... at 7:45 the whole party adjourned upstairs to the church and more people came in, and Howard presided and spoke charmingly, and Dr. Tomkins spoke again, and he brought in ratification of the suffrage amendment (per request of D.L.) and Bishop McDowell spoke.... Alice Paul and I have just been lunching at the Lafayette with Mr. John Milholland and another man, a New Jersey lawyer.... I met one of my Georgia friends yesterday, a newspaper man; and he offered to help me in my work - so I have just been dictating what I want printed in the Georgia paper (The Atlanta Constitution) about the Maryland Legislature. He will send the paper to me and I will have it reprinted on a leaflet and placed on every members desk the day after I receive it at Annapolis

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dated Thursday NWP Lafayette Square

Dearest Daughter,

I enclose copy of a night letter wh. you should have rec'd from me this morning. I do hope Mrs. Hovey will be able to attend to your boy and get the information from T.M.O(?) that you have so long been vainly trying for.

I am to see the Ass't of Sec'y Baker tomorrow - want to see if anything can be done for Don Stephen(?) to secure his release from that abom. Delaware jail - the mills of the Gods grind [underlined] so [underlined] slowly. 115 released from Fr. Leavenworth; and I am glad for them - but there should be more & it should not have taken so long to free this group.

We have some good plans. Our prison special should make an impression, if we can get together just the right group. The "doubtful" Senators are still doubtful - and Congress is very indifferent - it is hard to make any impression, but if we do everything we can think of we wont feel so badly when March 4th comes and finds us unsuccessful as it we'd neglected to do all in our power. We are delving away and doing our best.

My room is very cozy, with rain sousing outside. I've been dictating and reading "the 4 H.men" and having a pretty good time all the afternoon - Had hoped to hear from B. today about Esther S. (family health inquiries)...

Yr very loving

Mother -

Thursday 9:30 p.m. no heading

Darling daughter,

Train on time 6.40 and the hospitable Mrs. White alighted from it too and took me home with her in her motor - also a nice Captain Dawson whom she had "picked up" didn't even know her

name - but we all got quite chummy, continue next day, and he told us his name and about his work. I've been dictating a letter to Mother telling her about it. Dec. 28. 5 p.m. I've been busy all the morning dictated to a very indif. man stenog. and did some other things but haven't accomplished much. I saw Dr Shaw last night at her our lair - the first time I have gone there - I can't keep on letting her come to me at the hotel, I remember her 70 years too much, without going to her: tho' I daresay I shall feel mad all over again when I am in our own headquarters and she will not come to me. She wouldn't mind herself, but she thinks I imagine that people would think she had succumbed to the NWP and that would "harm the cause".

.....A. P. spent last night w. me and we made plans - I'll probably go to Portland for a meeting after the N.Y. meeting - New York is Jan. 4 Portland the 6th. I think. E. Elicott will come next Tues - and I shall have her, if she'll stay, in possession of my room at the Bellevue - It was nice to get back to the same one yesterday and I was glad I had it as a permanency (for two months) Mrs. White asked me last night if I wouldn't spend the winter with her - so nice of her - but I wouldn't want to - very ungrate. of me

..... I'm very well - as usual and Wash. is lovely so much sky and no snow at all. Gladys Wattkins came up to me in a store this a.m. - very nice - living here with her Ma this winter - "Billy" at Camp Meade. She is going to take me to see him - 30 miles, motor.....

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Feb. 21 - no heading

Dearest Mother,

Louise is with me tucked up in my bed with a temperature of 103 she can see from her bead lovely Lafayette Square, right into the trees. It's all covered with snow now, the first time this winter. it has all melted from the pavements

The house is quiet, as few of us are at home just now - some on the Prison Special, and the rest out in the different states getting up the meetings for the P. Special. Some in Boston preparing a welcome for the President. It is the very best time L. could have chosen

Deares Lulu, March 5, 1919

This has nothing about her work in it but about Cousin Anita having the flu, Aunt Lou recovering and the RMLs house hunting. Somewhere there is a letter that indicates Aunt Lulu did not approve. of DL's activities.

Must be 1919

Darling daughter

Will you bring to court my black suit case (so often taken there) + all these things that I spilled out of Mother's purple silk bag on my bed - + the 2 new beautiful Brulting bags we wou'd be called before 11 or so I s'pose - we shall be taken to court about 9 a.m. ... we each have a bed - mattresses etc. on floor - If you could have seen these men (4) making our beds! The gold braided on superintending with great concern. Had a good supper. Goodnight beloved

Your our loving ma

Carvel Hall-Annapolis, Md. Feb. 5

Dearest Daughter,

See enclosed. Its amusing to have so much fuss stirred up over such a trifle, isn't it? and I do think that clergy who are emoted seem rather timid, do not you?

The Governor let us know today that the ratification resolution will be reported by him tomorrow. I tried to get him to wait another week but he refused to do so. We have to do the best we can, but it does not look hopeful.

I asked the Speaker to refer it to the C'tie on Constitutional Amendments and he promised to do so - but I think when he discovers, as he will forget his promise and refer it to the c'tie on Federal Relations or the Judiciary - both of them hopelessly anit.

All the possible ctte's in the Senate are so bad that I shant bother to ask the President of the Senate for any special one, I think.

Our dinner last night was a great success. 75 in all about 45 or 50 men (legislature) and the speeches were fine. Mrs. Hooker was really quite wonderful in closing - she was toastmistress and introduced the speakers wittily but at the end she lifted her audience up in the way I have heard Dr. Shaw do. She was really marvelous. The men all loved it.

I shall go to Washington tomorrow to talk the situation over with A. Paul and then may go to Salisbury (E, Shore) to see an influential Repub. a man named Jackson - the Dem are hopeless.s the Repub might be able to win for us if they caucus and get all their members. These letters must be very stupid to you. I always realize it.

Dr. Lawrence of Louisville writes that she will be coming on soon - about the middle of Feb. I think. I've asked her to meet me in Wash. for a day or two at headquarters, and then if I can, I'd like to give her a luncheon in Phila to meet some of her women doctor friends I want her to meet you too and Esther and the family. She was perfect to Sophie and me in Louisville and really endured much on our account.

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Dearest Daughter

Isn't it perfect about C.B.L.... Am writing to E.B. to ask her to come down here on Fr. for a meeting of the Advisory Commit. and the State Chairmen to decide what they will rec to the convention. I never wanted Esther during the strenuous days to be in the Adv. Council lest it interfere, as I knew it would with her work - But now it is different and her advice would be invaluable ... I've written to F. Cochran who is not a member of the Adv. Comm. begging her to come to listen to the discussion, and want to beg you to do the same.....

Am writing a letter to the President - am going to see Mrs. Harding and am to see Mrs. Colby (to get her to do something for us) and am doing a number of other things all connected with convention and A.P. and Miss and I are going out to Mr. Vernon - It's too exquisite out of doors - just summer

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