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Dearest Mother,

I came back to Annapolis this morn, Bob taking me to my train at Camden Station- I think my work will be over in this state tomorrow- it is encouraging to realize that we have changed a situation into what appeared to be an absolutely hopeless one for suffrage into one where we could win if we only had a little more time- just another week- But as it is I think we shall be voted down tomorrow. We have a hearing before the Senate committee in the morning (at 10.30) and a large delegation of women is coming from all over Maryland- about 1,000- They also will see the Governor and tell him what they wish to say about the help he should give them- at 12.30 the House will take up the question and I suppose many speeches will made by the members who wish to go on record for or against. The vote I think will be taken at about 3 o'clock- perhaps earlier-

Helen is coming down, and Bob if he can- and I'll go back with them- On Wednesday I'll go to Washington to see how things are- The outlook

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is not particularly good for New Mexico and I may be able to help. That legislature meets in special session to day-

It does make me- well amused we'll say, to read of Mrs. Catt & her forces having their premature rejoicings and dissolving the old N.A.W.S.A. before suffrage is won- what do you suppose Susan B. Anthony & Dr. Shaw would say if they were here? I s'pose Dr. Shaw is so happy where she is that she thinks this little temporary struggle for freedom doesn't much matter.

It's so cold- I'm wearing 2 sweaters and my coat in the house- am sleeping here to night at headquarters in order to be near the telephone. I had a call at a very late hour last night & got out of bed at nearly midnight to make one.

Little Bobbie is serene & happy again- such a lovely baby. Was it not dreadful for the poor little fellow to have that accident with the talcum powder? He must have swallowed a lot to have given him bronchial pneumonia. He is such a darling- I've said that before haven't I? Love to Pa, and tell him I think it's much nicer to be born free (like him & St. Paul), than to struggle for freedom
Your loving daughter Dora