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Westfort Camp Dec 6, 1904

My dear George: At last I am settled and down to business - right in the midst of a bleak Arctic winter with four inches of snow - say its hell. Well I think I would like my trunk - It isnt packed fit to send and I wonder if you would mind packing it for me - You may leave all the books out and let Coker keep them till I want them - all except the Class Book. Send it packed well in the bottom. You may also leave out the Mackintosh and that old gray suit - if necessary to make room. Mr Goddard has my summer suit and my dress suit which I wish you would get and send along. All other details I leave to you with many apologies for troubling you on your Saturday evening or your Sunday afternoon. This Mr Goddard is the preacher residing at Cokers. Will you kindly send by Adams Express (Co.) of N. C. Stearns Westfort Camp. I am mightily sorry to give you this trouble but I know it will be all



right - otherwise I wouldn't do it.

Am getting down to work gradually - only a few hours a day now - Spend most of my time taking long walks and indeed - Am trying to get in shape for hard work and feel that I am rounding into fine condition. Let me hear from you soon in a while - Have you taken my old room? I hope you leave for it was mighty comfortable.

I enclose card intruding you to Goddard - Also send trunk key with best wishes.

I remain

Sincerely yours

Alfred J. Harrington



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the Chorus was not full  
enough to be very effective  
the Solos were fine -

Your father & I used the  
Institute tickets - at 35¢ each  
to hear Leland Powers Dramatic  
reading of "David Garrick" at  
Association Hall Saturday evening  
Do you not remember Leland  
Powers read "She stoops to Con-  
quer" & as you like it at Cha-  
teau - He is wonderful - changing  
his tone of voice from an old man to  
a young girl with such rapidity  
that you think there are two or three  
people on the stage at the same time

December 5 - 1904

135 Rensselaer St. - Brooklyn  
New York

My dear Sonnie, as much as  
we would love to see &  
have you with us - I think  
you are right about waiting  
for summer - or at least  
Easter for your holiday -  
You know how stormy and  
cold - the Christmas holidays  
always are in New York and  
if you came on - you would



a week would not repay you -  
for the journey unless there were  
other reasons than merely seeing  
us - You know how quiet our  
boarding home life is - and how  
monotonous -

Mr. Rodgers and I went to  
Saintly Church last night Sunday  
to hear the Oratorios - Messiah - which  
was rendered by the choir in Chalm-  
er and Montague - Brooklyn - we  
enjoyed it very much - although

necessarily be passed most  
of the time - there would be  
few or no festivities for you  
here - For the summer there  
would sailing - trips of all  
sorts and a variety of enter-  
tainment - and as you are  
well now - your health does  
not require a vacation or rest -  
I might tell your Uncle  
George that you would  
enjoy a vacation later on  
for various reasons besides



Low Father's health is so  
much improved that he goes  
out nearly every day but  
he is awfully afraid of  
the cold - We have had no  
snow as yet - but it looks  
very much like it to-day  
and I hope it will stay  
away until after the holidays  
and give every one a chance  
to do Christmas shopping etc.

I will write to Uncle George and  
explain why a summer vacation  
would suit you better than now



Have you heard from  
Chauncey Kennedy - in regard  
to his Express box - let me  
know at once -  
- Your loving Mother -

My dearest son, your mother leaves  
me a bit of space on this Monday  
morning when every thing is very quiet  
I was a little surprised when  
I saw your letter this A.M. at the  
breakfast table, and as mother says  
we agree with you that a Paris  
walk in N.Y. is not necessary



under the circumstances. You must  
know that there is no time of the  
year nor any month or day when  
our hearts will not be delighted  
to see you. That goes without words.  
But as you say, it might interfere  
with your next summer vacation  
and I agree with you that is a  
much more important time for  
you to have a little ~~run~~ than  
now. So we think that you can  
thank your uncles for their kindness  
and decline the leave of absence.  
You can put your money in the



bank and <sup>3</sup> next summer if you  
wish you can have quite a  
run for your money. Of course  
if you wished to come badly it  
would be different and we would  
say come. I am very happy at  
you having a good situation and  
both your mother and I feel that our  
boy is doing well and we have  
all confidence that you will work  
hard and solve the problem  
of success. You must keep your  
powers in training, your lamp filled and  
trimmed, and when golden opportunity  
occurs, I pray you may have



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Wisdom to seize the skirts of  
happy chance. The fear of the Lord  
is the beginning of wisdom. She crieth  
at the gates; Oh ye simple understand  
wisdom. For Wisdom is better than rubies.

My dear son, you must pardon my  
preaching so much but your success  
is the desire of your parents hearts,  
and surely wisdom brings success, -  
even if it is not piles of gold and silver  
still, wisdom is success.

We are making up a small  
parcel for your Xmas. I will  
send the gun also. You must



5  
inquire and ascertain the  
terms of a good gun club that  
shoots at clay pigeons, so that  
next year you can occasionally  
practice for although game is  
scarce, yet it is a fine accomplishment  
to shoot fairly well.

Have you ever met young Jefferson  
yet. You must gradually get  
acquainted with ladies and your  
Aunt Hattie's advice will be invaluable  
as to forming acquaintances. Remember  
that the best is none too good for you.  
I am your loving father  
With best love  
Ezra Woodruff



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416 Strong -

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December 4 - 1904

My dearest Brother -

In this letter I'm going to endeavor to show you how clear and readable my penmanship is - Toward the end I may err and slip back into my former ways of carelessness but I hope that you may notice a marked improvement in my style -

It is a cold December cloudy Sunday and I have just been out for a walk with Georgia Spooner around the lake which is all frozen over - The ice is about two inches thick, we walked around on it a little bit - We won't be allowed to go skating on it until it is four inches in thickness - but there is a pond near here, where we are going to - in snow, but have to have a chaperone if we go - It is tantalizing to have a perfectly good pond



near and not be able to skate on it -  
The' it will probably be alright in  
about a week, if the weather con-  
tinues to be cold, as it has been lately.

I dressed up in those things that  
you gave me last summer, parted  
my hair and wore a linen collar -  
Father got a hat for me when he  
was in Brooklyn and altogether I  
looked finely. I amused them all  
5 girls for about an hour and a  
half and was quite popular - I  
realized how men must feel when  
in a group of girls - It is rather  
tiring tho' to be the center of attraction  
for such a long time, I don't envy them  
lot very much - One of the other girls  
dressed up too but I think she wasn't  
quite so smart as I -

I went to gym Tue. after day and  
climbed the rope three times and also  
did other energetic stunts, so I have  
been rather laid up in regard to my  
muscles as it were, but am slowly  
recovering - I am going to be able to



claim myself - before the year is over -

Ruth has a Reuven that her brother used at college or school which was published in 92 - It is practically the same as the edition that I have except for a little different arrangement - If I can't find another I will send you this one - I will send it any way and then if I can't find another you can see it - I looked it over & as far as I read it was practically the same in substance -

There was a German Play yesterday afternoon - in fact two - they were both very good - The "Deutscher Verein" is a German club and gives one or two plays each year - afterwards refreshments are served which is the most attractive part of the performance to me any - I understood about two dozen words I think during it all, but as I knew the plot beforehand I could follow along quite well - I am going to have a suit made by a man down town who I think will do



very well - I am hoping for the  
best any way - It is going to be quite  
broad cloth and the coat will be long  
but not fitted as tightly - That gray  
suit I have is quite a seedy looking  
object now.

Ruth is working hard over  
Xmas, marking all the envelopes etc.  
It has to be done by one person  
as that I cant help her any -

Well brother dear - I will stop  
now and write to our other Father -

Take good care of your self and write  
to your little sister sometimes when  
you have nothing to do - and feel that  
you must be busy -

With a great deal of love  
Ever your affectionate sister

Jane



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results more often than the rolling stone business. So in your case, - a young man with no capital but a good education, and a fair opening with reasonable hopes of success, you can say with Richard I have staked my all upon the coal and will stand the hazard of the die. Work, work, and again more work, and may our Heavenly Father keep you in health and brace you up, and grant you wisdom. Wisdom is hard to acquire, but by prayer and study it can be learned.

My cold is ~~totally~~ about gone. Grand would bring me on Sunday. He will send her your letter and with our best love I am

Your loving father Esq. Woodmont

135 Remond St  
B Rlyn Nov. 30 1904

My dearest son, I have not thought that your letter showed any undue restlessness, for it is the inalienable right of youth to be restless; being restless is the way worlds have been conquered. You will find many roads for activity to march in. In the acquiring even a partial knowledge of the great business to which you are apprenticed you can work off a tremendous amount



of nervous energy. The Pope says: the "proper study of mankind is man", and if you can learn to judge men aright, - you will have worked hard. And if you pursue the four subjects you have chosen, you will find that lots of brain force is required, so that your restlessness is all right. Your experience in Yale showed you the futility of aimless activity. The fellow who was always visiting around, calling on people, smoking, chattering

lounging around pool rooms and never found at home and rarely even prepared at a recitation, - his is the wrong kind of restlessness. The seemingly quiet man may, you know, keep up a lot of thinking. As far as I can judge one trait of our immediate family is the the hold fast, - the stick-to-itiveness. Now I do not know whether the bull dog habit of holding on is perfect, or free from criticism, but I do think that it is a good all round rule and will bring



He spent Thanksgiving very quietly. I was not feeling well enough to go to church. Grace would rather remain at home she said and kept quite busy sewing things of ~~for~~ for Xmas presents; and mother was kept busy discussing Grace's wardrobe and school matters. Grace seemed to be quite well but still seems too non assertive. She should cultivate self confidence and I think she will do better in that way. She has many friends but lacks courage



to impress her presence upon  
the great crowd.

How is the Carnegie Lib  
getting along. I suppose it  
will not be finished for several  
years. I am glad that you  
have a free lib to get books  
from. I would not buy many  
books but use the lib all you  
can. I will bear in mind  
what you say about books.  
and if at any time you need  
a special work let me know and  
I will send it you. But of course  
you have only a little time for  
books. Use that time with the best.

Your loving father

Ezra Woodruff



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## STRONG APPEAL TO THE SOUTH

WOODROW WILSON WOULD HAVE  
IT STAND FOR REAL DEMOCRACYBacking the Men Whose Conservatism  
Alone Balks the Party Wreckers—No  
Good, He Says, Can Come From a Sec-  
tional League—Virginian Diners Cheer

The third annual dinner of the Society of the Virginians, given last evening at the Waldorf-Astoria, was one of the largest and one of the most successful reunions the society has held. More than 100 members of the society and invited guests sat at table. The speakers, beginning with James W. Alexander, the governor, as the president of the society is called, included President Woodrow Wilson of Princeton University, William B. Hornblower, F. Hopkinson Smith and ex-Attorney-General William A. Barber of South Carolina. Others who sat at the governor's table were Vice-Gov. H. R. Bayne, Col. A. G. Dickinson, Edward Owen, Robert L. Harrison and James A. Pattison.

Among the others present were these: Francis Burton Harrison, H. C. Adams, J. Stewart Barney, G. G. Battle, Walter D. Blair, James R. Branch, John C. Breckinridge, W. D. Buckner, Willis Browning, Dr. J. Harvie Dew, W. E. G. Gaillard, Stuart D. Gibboney, S. P. Gilmore, R. F. Gouldsborough, W. F. Tallafiero, A. B. Willingham, Dr. George B. Lee, R. B. Lee, Jr., D. P. B. Marshall, Buchanan Schley, Jr., R. M. Tarleton, Charles P. Howland, Dr. Richard T. Bang, John M. Maury, Judge C. F. Moore, John G. Luke, Dr. Arthur Bell, W. S. Reins, McCreedy Syker, J. H. Ingram, Dr. Kindred, G. M. La Monte, Thomas P. Spencer, Dr. L. D. Alexander, N. de L. Dodge, Charles A. Sackett, E. Thorburn, S. D. Millet and Dr. W. Hawes.

The feature of the evening was President Woodrow Wilson's speech, which was almost exclusively devoted to politics. President Wilson said that while it did not become him, as a person in an academic position such as he held, to discuss politics from a partisan point of view, he felt that he might well say something on general lines about matters affecting the country as a whole. He began with an incident of the campaign. He said:

"Among my colleagues at Princeton is a son of James A. Garfield. Mr. Garfield came to me a little while before election and said: 'They are asking me to go and make some political speeches. I did not know how it would impress you, and I thought I would ask you.'

I told him that the only objection I had was that I was on the side against which he would speak, but that his being a member of the faculty of Princeton University did not destroy his privileges as an American citizen, and to go ahead and make all the speeches he wanted to. I do not believe it is the right thing for a Virginian to keep his mouth shut.

I feel that I am where I belong among you here. There was once a rather unsophisticated old woman who went to one of those side shows where they have marvellous pictures on the outside of things that are not to be seen on the inside. And in the show she saw a man who read a newspaper, or pretended to read a newspaper, through a two-inch plank.

"Come right along out of here, Silas," the old lady said to her husband. "This is no place for me with these thin clothes on!" [Prolonged laughter.]

"Now, I have no such feelings here among you to-night. I feel that I am of you; that I belong here.

We Americans know a good deal, undoubtedly, about self-government. We understand each other when it comes to that subject. Yet, I fear we have not come to quite as free and cordial an understanding as we ought.

nation cannot go normally and healthfully forward without the stimulation and contest of two parties of principle.

President Wilson's speech was greeted with one of the most remarkable demonstrations of approval that has been manifested at a public dinner in this city for a long time. He was time and again overwhelmed with applause as he was speaking and had to wait until the handclapping ceased long enough to permit his voice to be heard before he could go on. When he closed, in a voice impressive and earnest in its tone, the applause broke loose like a pent-up torrent, and he was called to his feet to bow his acknowledgments to the extraordinary ovation tendered him.

William B. Hornblower, the next speaker, referred in terms of cordial approval to the sentiments just uttered by President Wilson and paid a handsome tribute to Virginia.

"You tried to get away from us once," said Mr. Hornblower, "but we men of the North could not let you go. Virginia is the cornerstone of our great American edifice. No man would dare to take one stone from that edifice, and as long as the edifice stands the cornerstone must remain there also.

F. Hopkinson Smith followed Mr. Hornblower with a humorous speech, closing, however, with a strong appeal to Virginians and all others of the South to meet the conditions of the day, those conditions being work, work and yet again work. Gen. William A. Barber also made a brief address.

William A. Barber, former Attorney-General of South Carolina, "without wishing to dim the glories of Virginia," as he said, offered a few words about the sister States of the South. He spoke chiefly of the South's material wealth and industrial development.

"The South of to-day, wrongly called the New South," he said, "is neither merely a devotee of sentiment nor an apostle of idealism, nor are her interests confined to politics. The people of my section are busy with industrial development. Nowhere else has Mother Earth furnished such natural material wealth as she has in the Southland."

When we find out that all the best governed cities in the world are not American cities, it causes us to be "sickled over with the pale cast of thought." I remember once, after a disaster at a municipal election here in New York, a gentleman was bemoaning to me the result, when it occurred to me to ask him if he had voted.

"Well, no," he replied. "I did not." Then I replied that I did not see what he had to complain of; that he had done all he could to bring about the result that he much deplored.

Going on to discuss the political future of the South, President Wilson said:

No one can justly wonder at the present impatience of the Southern political leaders at finding themselves without real independence or influence in the politics of the country; the only section of the country which did not make a real choice of its political actions in the recent elections. But the only remedy suggested would put the Southern States in a still worse position.

To act independently of old party affiliations, as some of their leaders have recently proposed that they should act, would be to make them, if they still hung together and acted in concert, a third party in the politics of the country, and not a party of principle at that, but a geographical party, a sectional party, which would act in isolation and draw upon itself a fresh old enmities and suspicions.

The real opportunity of the South is of another sort. It has now a unique opportunity to perform a great national service. As the only remaining part of the Democratic party that can command a majority of the votes in its constituencies, let the South demand a rehabilitation of the Democratic party on the only lines that can restore it to dignity and power.

Since 1898 the Democratic party has permitted its name to be used by men who ought never to have been admitted to its counsels, men who held principles and professed purposes which it had always hitherto repudiated.

By themselves and under their proper designation as populists and radical theorists, contemptuous alike of principle and of experience, these men could never have played any rôle in national politics but that of a noisy minority. Since they forced themselves into the councils of the party and got the use of its name, every doubtful State has been turned into an enthusiastic supporter of the Republican party. Until it has read them out of the party as an alien faction there will be no doubtful States again.

It is now high time that the South, which has endured most by way of humiliation at the hands of this faction, should demand that it be utterly and once for all thrust out of Democratic counsels; that the men of New York, New Jersey, Connecticut, Massachusetts, Indiana and the prosperous States beyond the Mississippi who wish for reform without loss of stability should join with it to reassert the principles and return to the practices of the historic party which has always stood for thoughtful moderation in affairs and a careful use of the powers of the Federal Government in the interest of the whole people of whatever class or occupation.

There is no longer any Democratic party either in the South or in any Northern State which the discredited radicals can use. The great body of one-time Democrats that musters strong enough to win elections has revolted and will act with no organization which harbors the radicals—as the radicals themselves did not in fact act with the organization they themselves had discredited in the recent campaign, when the whole country felt that the Democratic party was still without definite character or make-up.

The country, as it moves forward in its great material progress, needs and will tolerate no party of discontent or radical experiment; but it does need a party of conservative reform, acting in the spirit of law and of ancient institutions. Hosts of voters are waiting and ready to flock back to the standard of such a party when once they see it come upon the field properly purged and authenticated.

The old Democratic party stood by the South through good report and ill; the South has now an opportunity to requite its thankless services by recalling it to its old counsel and spirit. To do this would be to render a real national service conceived in the interest of the whole country of whatever opinion; for the politics of the



I will give you an idea of the  
ancient history of L.

It must be about time for  
you to leave your order for a  
frock coat and gray trousers.

You can find out who is the best  
tailor and then let me know  
his bill and I will send you out

a M. Order or check. Be sure  
you hold you out up in dress.

Give nobody an opportunity to sneer  
or twist you about dress. We both

desire you to appear and be known  
as a young gentleman of good taste and good  
manners, but also as a well clad young

man. *virbum sapienti.* Mother joins me  
in sending <sup>best love.</sup> and I am as always  
Your loving father *Edw. Woodruff*

135 Remsen St.  
Brooklyn N.Y. Nov. 29/04

My dearest son, it is drawing  
to a close and the fair weather  
holds out in his last end. We  
have no snow of consequence and  
the cold is not unbearable. I  
have improved but am not  
able as yet to enjoy the out  
door air comfortably. After Xmas  
I hope to go to warmer climes  
if I do not brace up. Grace's  
visit was a great pleasure



to us. She looked well and seemed cheerful and bright. We went up to the station with her on Sunday afternoon and she reached Vassar in good time. She is getting along well and has a good many friends among the girls. Of course we think she should be the Queen of them all, but to become the favorite of a thousand girls would take a paragon indeed.

I can see you starting out after an early breakfast, footing it; - or ~~at~~ your side, down to the

store. Through the familiar streets I used to have an office on Breckenridge bet 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup>, when I was Physician to the Eastern Dist. My duties took me on a daily visit to the work house out beyond Cave Hill Cem and also to the Pest House, as we called the Small Pox Hosp. at that time. I used to know all the houses and the people who lived in them <sup>on 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup></sup> forty years ago, but I would hardly recognize a single one now. Some of these times when we pay you a visit you and I will take a stroll and



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My dearest Brother -

Having had so much dissipation; well, in the last few days - I neglected to write to my little brother - I came back to college on Sunday eve at six and found things much the same - But was back and most of the other girls came on the 8 o'clock train - I think that I will take it next time -

It's quite chilly and dreary looking to-day - I wish that the lake would hurry & freeze so that we could go skating - I bought a new pair of shoes for 6.00 at Alexander's & I want to go skating in them, but I suppose they will be nearly worn out by the time skating begins -

Well, I've been to lunch on and performed very well there and I've been in dis -



Veronica H. Tucker to her son  
Arthur since then -

I thought very much to tell  
you as you perhaps can see  
by the tenor of my letter -

Mother and I were dropping  
quite a good deal, but didn't  
find what we were looking  
for, namely a suit - Father  
was recovering from a cold he  
seemed better when I left - I hope  
that Mr. Miller & he will go south  
soon, because these colds have  
a bad effect on Father -

I must go over and attend  
so will stop now -

Very lovingly,  
Your daughter

Grace -

Love to all -



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of its contents - when you sold  
your table chairs etc - the  
box was not worth half as much  
as the other things - and between  
the two shipments will cost a  
pretty penny - and besides  
Grace did not want anything  
the box contained - we never  
learn wisdom: it seems - and  
I hope it will not break us up en-  
tirely -

You must be sure to write us  
what you would like for Xmas -  
do dress warmly and take care  
of your health and keep well  
We pray for you constantly  
and love you always - and  
with all our hearts - Love devoted Mother  
Lucy & Brodwin

November 28, 1904

185 - Remsen St. Brooklyn.

My dearest Sonny -

Our darling Grace went  
back yesterday afternoon and  
left behind her an aching  
void - I think we feel it worse  
because you were not with  
us on Thanksgiving alas - Grace  
wrote you a letter telling  
you all about our dinner  
which was a strong contrast  
to Mrs. Potts poor Jane - both  
quality and the delightful and  
attractive way in which it was



We are now having some real  
winter - yesterday morning we awoke  
to see the first snow on the ground  
which melted during the day and in  
the afternoon old Bonas blew us up  
northern gales and this morning it  
is cold - quite so - Nevertheless your  
dear Father has started out in quest of  
your box which Grace shipped  
to Mr. Kelly's at St. Hamilton - without  
any number - The freight people say they  
could not locate the place - I think  
it is a pity - your chief out this fore

noon - I hope you had a  
pleasant time - notwithstanding  
you worked a few hours - without  
holiday - President Roosevelt  
did the same thing - he spent  
the morning in his Office - at  
work until one o'clock - and  
you know I admire the Pres.  
immensely - he has a fine  
Character - and does things  
well - and thoroughly - he  
is brave and earnest - and  
courageous - Fearless -  
yet he is human - and it  
is human to err - you know  
and he may do that yet - & again



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Fred T. Bradley, Treas.

Carl W. Johnson, Secy.

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In answer to yours  
of \_\_\_\_\_

CABLE ADDRESS:  
ENGMER, NEW HAVEN.

Dear Woody, For a long time I have been trying to answer your letter but from one cause or another have failed. The delightful present pleased us very much indeed and the letter also. I wish that you would visit us and see how and where we are living but I suppose it will be some time before you pass this way. Work goes on here pretty soon smoothly. I make enough mistakes to keep things interesting. For three weeks after my return I had charge of the shipping department since the head of the dept went and did likewise, and it was all I wanted I can assure you. Didn't get home to dinner until 7.30 or 8. My rational hours are 8.15 a.m. to 12 and 1 to 5. 45-6.30.

Feel pretty much like resting in the evenings usually and don't do very much else. We are



John B. Kennedy, Pres.

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reading Thackeray's "Adventures of Philip" by way of a novel and Synovate studies or Renaissance Latin connection with a sort of a course in Renaissance history which we are attempting to follow out along the lines suggested by my course with Richardson last year, this together with some Church history is all that we are attempting for it seems to be quite all that we can manage at one time. Father and Mother are with us over Thanksgiving and we are having a very pleasant time. My voting the straight Democratic ticket seemed to do but little good hereabouts. What do you think of the political outlook. It seems to me that a radical shakeup is necessary in the Dem. party before they can hope to succeed. Heaton Robertson's father you know ran for you, on the Dem ticket but failed to carry even New Haven. Had a letter from \_\_\_\_\_ the other day from Chicago \_\_\_\_\_ is working as you probably know in a window shade



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factory. Harold is hard at it up in  
Meiden. I have not seen him since  
Oct, but have talked with him over the tele-  
phone. Don't know about his degree. Steve writes  
occasionally from Buffalo where he is assist-  
tant City Editor of the Buffalo Courier (the best  
A.M. Paper there. I hope that you can read  
this should, my wrist will hardly work after  
the use it has been put to - to-day. I do hope  
that you will answer this soon for it is fool-  
ish for us to grow apart even tho we are  
separated by a number of miles. Where do  
you expect to be able to get Post. Wherever  
you do, you know where you will find a hearty  
welcome, thank you many times for the  
delightful present and the letter, which  
is means a great deal to me. Don't work  
too hard Woody and write often  
your sincere ~~friend~~ friend,  
Chauncey C. R.



Tickets you know for the game -

well sorry dea - I find I must stop

I got your last letter on the morning my  
departure for here - In other words yesterday  
and I read it with verry much pleasure  
and joy -

Ever your devoted Sister

Grace

Nov. 24 - 1904.

Dear Sammy -

Here it is. Thanks giving day in the  
afternoon and we have just had our eight course  
dinner down stairs consisting of

1. Oysters on the half shell

2. Crabs à la devil (7 no diavolo)

3. Bouillon à la russel soup

4. Turkey à la 5 vegetables and

Sauce de la couronne.

5. Salade dans les half grape fried

6. Biscuits avec Chaux whipped et les

crises marseillais -

7. Café au lait - Tasse - Cheese - Bread -

Fruit en grande pyramides -

Comment avey-vous passé votre Thanks -

giving day - j'étais très malheureuse parceque  
il nous faut travailler pendant toute la matinée -

J'ai travaillé aussi, mais pas très <sup>dur</sup> -

J'ai fait une gâteau pour Noel - que

vous voyez pour Noel cet année - Voulez

vous des habits au jour-jour - Je vous



demerai ce que vous voyez - just think again  
by four more weeks and then the Xmas -  
I can't realize that it is so near -

I am writing on Father's government paper  
that he drew this other day from the government  
I like it don't you?

I wish that my little brother was here to-  
day - but I suppose he is busy making his  
way in the world - and it is better off where  
he is - you must get the idea into your head  
that you want to enter the army because  
you wouldn't be happy at all. Father and I  
went to visit Port on Sunday and we saw Dr. Smith  
He was beginning to look as if he was a little  
worn and tired, to me - He said that they were helpless  
for him even for several years to get his <sup>first</sup> ~~second~~ denture  
away - Army life is awfully narrow sort of a life too -  
I think, there is a certain fascination about it - still  
army people because so very wrapped up in themselves  
and their own little affairs that they forget there is  
a large and active world outside - It may seem  
to you now as you are just starting in business that  
it is a hard and slow upward pull but there is a  
much better chance for you as you are situated

now than there would be in the army - I will take  
patience and hard & sincere work but in the end you  
will be much better off - and you can feel that  
what you acquire is won by your own personal  
merits instead of the sort of negative life that an  
army man leads and the passive waiting for prom-  
otion, knowing that there is nothing that can be done  
by yourself that can raise your position officially -  
this of course then or any where else you could  
gain and keep the respect of your fellows and be honored  
by them - goodness! I didn't suppose that I was capable of such  
a ~~long~~ <sup>long</sup> term -

I will look up a second hand chemistry when  
I get back to college - We have read very little  
of it so far - We had an exercise on the atomic  
theory the other day and its applications and explanation  
for the chemical laws of <sup>definite</sup> proportions & multiple  
proportions - we haven't had more than two or three  
chapters in it -

Mother wants to know what sort of bronze  
it was that was sent to Aunt Hattie - was it a  
statue or what?

I had a letter from Hattie in the other  
day and she seemed happy - Father sent her the



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