

TELEGRAMS,
BOOKCRAFT, LONDON.
TELEPHONE,
4253 GERRARD.

KINGSLEY HOTEL,
HART STREET,
BLOOMSBURY SQUARE,
LONDON.

August 19. 1908

Dear Denny -

We are still in London
and it seems hard to get
away. But we are
planning to leave the
first of next week -
In Paris - we have
not seen as much of
the rural town of England
as we should like, but
we are not very arduous
right, even ^{this morning} - Love father

went to see London
Bridge, Covent Garden
and other places - We saw
Lincoln's Inn Fields, the
Lawyer's ^{or sundry} places, from
the top of an Omnibus,
it was very interesting -
Grace and I went
shopping this A. M.
to buy some leather
goods and this afternoon
we went to Daly's to a
Matinee, the first theatre
we have seen in London
It was much like a
New York theatre, and
The Merry Widow is the same

It is the first place of amusement
we have attended - The two Postals
have pictures of the old London Bridge

It seems to us quite cool in
London but the natives call it very
close & warm -

The "Beas" is every where and they
are all two story, they are very pleasant
if you have the courage to mount to
the top - but very unpleasant inside

they are very rough and the windows
are stationary and are never raised

The Trolly or Trams, as they are called
here are few in number. They
are reasonable in price and they are
my favorite way of getting about

You can get them any where
all over the city in great numbers.

For two shillings & six pence an hour
with much love from Mother

Francis G. Woodruff

LONDON.W.C

10. PM

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Mr Geo E. Goodruff
415-417 West Main Street
Louisville
Kentucky
U.S. America

KINGSLEY HOTEL
LONDON.
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as he has sold^d the partner a number of shares at a good price that he could have no doubt as to his title to the remaining shares which he holds. I suppose ~~it~~ it is possible that the partner, may want to place your mother's shares upon an investment-basis, and allow her an interest on the amount, but not a full share of the dividend. But I do not think they can do that, as you represent your mother's shares as a full partner. I need not counsel you to try to be wise as the serpent and keep silent. Be polite and amiable, do your duty, and let them talk. You are right in wishing to work your way up in the firm, and you will do it too, - by patience and diligence; - "be diligent in business serving the Lord." I pray that our Heavenly Father may guide your footsteps and be to you a present help in time of trouble. I shall stop now but will write again tomorrow and I am,
Your loving father Egrat Woodruff

KINGSLEY HOTEL,

HART STREET,

BLOOMSBURY SQUARE,

LONDON.

August 19th 1908

My dearest son, yesterday we rode through a large portion of Scotland and England southward, by the Midland R.R., - a 400 mile trip. It was a gray day, and the clouds threatened rain every minute but our train skurried along making only 4 stops in 400 miles. There is a whole lot of northern England and almost all of Scotland which, while green, appears to me to be only fit for sheep and cattle, and it surely is good for grazing and the animals all look sleek and fat. There is a great dearth of houses which are generally of stone and are small and crude, - built

for poor people. ² The stately homes of England are few and far between. But there are lots of big towns and they are well built of brick and all on the Midland R.R. which I got a passing glance at were dependent upon Coal and Iron mines. There were at least a dozen great mining towns, with numerous tall stacks, all pouring out great volumes of black smoke, showing that there is work going on, and that the "unemployed" did not include everybody.

Even in that beautiful city of Edinburgh I did not see many tramps, nor drunkards. They say that St Petersburg is the poorest city in Europe and that Edinburgh is the next poorest, I cannot say if that is true, but I do think that Edin. is the hardest town I ever saw. But we all concluded that 10 days was long enough to remain,

and we were ³ all glad to return to the busy town of London. We shall remain here until Monday when we cross over to the Continent landing after an eight hour journey in Paris from whence we shall radiate as we pursue our course toward Italy and the U.S.

We found your batch of welcome letters this morning for our mail did not follow us to the North, and we have read them twice and will read them again. I do not see why Mother's title to her shares is not a perfect one. She has possession and as the partners transferred them to the Trust Co., - so the Trust Co transferred them to Mother. What is the matter with the course of transfer. The partners have no claim on them, and the Trust Co has passed its claim over to Mother. I can see no reason for going into Court. If Mr. Botley wants a Court decision, let him let him get one. I think however that

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August 19. 1908

Dear Sonny - We
arrived in London last
night after a ten days sojourn
in Edinburgh - We have
changed our hotel from the
large and showy Metropole
to this smaller - quieter
and cosier hotel - It is much
more comfortable and attractive
and about one half the
price, and I only wish we
had been here all the

the time - Large hotels are
very unsatisfactory and a
great waste of money - and
as we have so many better
uses for our money - the wise
choose comfort in preference
to show -

We had fine weather in
Edinburgh for eight days &
we omitted nothing - The
day we went through the
Grassachs & lakes was glorious
part of the distance we coached
and part was by boat through
Loch Lomond & Loch Katrine -
We were constantly on the march
for twelve hours - and while the

trip was wonderful and long to be remembered
it was a very arduous undertaking - Our
day in Inverness & Aberdeen was also most
interesting and delightful - The Castle of Edinburgh
and Holyrood Palace took another day - Roslyn
Chapel & Abbey took another - but I believe we
have written about these already - The journey
in a compartment car was not so very uncomfortable
as I at first feared - and the speed was
quite good - making four hundred miles in
about nine hours -

We found three or four letters from
you much to our delight as we had
only one previous to Scotland tour
The plan remaining in London until Monday next
or about four or five days when we will go to
France & other places in the Continent - We think
we can see Switzerland, Holland, go down the Rhine
visit Venice, and a short tour through Rome, take
ship via the Mediterranean in early November -
unless we are called home - by important & necessary
business. I am glad you are enjoying the
Louisville summer - & hope business matters may
end well - Keep me posted - Yours loving Mother
F. G. Rowdree

LONDON.W.S

3. 15 PM

AUG 20 188A



Mr George E. Woodruff
417 Main St.

Louisville,
Kentucky

United States



Should worry you any
more - I have not been
notified of any meeting of
Directors of the P. S. Co. -

I have received notification of
all or nearly all the other
Companies in which I hold
shares - such as the Gas Co -
enclosing papers with
a request to name a proxy
or representative to represent my
interests - but I have received
none from the P. S. Co. -

John Walker assures me that
the shares in the concern are
duly and properly in my possession
- since they turned them over

August 16. 1908
Coats Crescent - Edinburgh
Scotland -
My dear Sam - he expect
to go to Paris, France after
our stay here is over which
will be in a few days - so
you must address us to
the American Express Company
Paris - the next time you
write - or rather in care of
the American Express Co. Paris
Why do you not write to
us often to give us an
assurance that all goes
well with you - Love
Loves

to you to be placed in the Deposit-Box
and no claim can be made on them by Mrs
Alwood - since they have been transferred to
me for deposit -

You must let me know if it will be
necessary for me to be represented by a proxy
if they have a meeting - It would be irregular
for them to have a business meeting with-
out notifying me. You must write and
tell me every thing you hear or know -

You must ask Mr. Bodley's advice

in all your movements - and do not
allow them to entrap you into the slightest
mistake - do everything openly & above board -

It spoils my enjoyment when I think of
you all alone at this critical time and
perhaps we have made a mistake in crossing
the sea at this time, but you know we can
return in ten days or two weeks if you need
us, so you must let us know every thing -

We attended service in St. Giles Cathedral this A. M.
at 9.30, and then went to a Presbyterian Church to
our surprise heard Mr. Pitt Salmage, Junior,
preach - he is not like his Father in the least.

others to Paris - you know the
Averys are related to your
Friend Allen Coffey I know
Lidia and Gertrude Averys in
Louisville before I was married
and while it was a coincidence
meeting her in London, it was
also a great pleasure - She
is now in Paris and her home
is in Chicago -

Your Father says if it is ne-
cessary for me to have a
Director in the P. O. Board
that we want you to be
the Director - if you think you
are competent - and have suffi-
cient self-control, he says
you must give the matter
careful consideration and talk

He proceeded from the text
"The greatest of these is Love"
and was quite oratorical -
The Scotch are very earnest
and very religious - he said
Edinburgh was the most re-
ligious town in Europe -

We have done a lot of
sight seeing since we came
here five or six days ago
but have not yet gone to the
Lorraine - that is the climax
If it rains to-morrow, our
trip there will be spoiled
as it is an open air trip - by
boat and coach -

We met Lidia Avery now Mrs
Coonley Ward - in London and
she gave us the address to
this place as well as some

with Mr Bodley - get his advice and if
you feel that you would rather have some
one else appointed ask him who he thinks would
be a good man -

We want to take a little walk before
dark as I must close by sending you
our best love -

Your devoted Mother

Frances G Woodruff

P. S. I wrote you that I was not
prepared to sell my share of the
Procla Farm - as will not sign
the option paper - I should like to see
the Procla Farm before I sign it - as
I may wish to acquire a building lot
or two before selling it -

Your loving Mother

Frances G Woodruff

EDINBURGH

12.30 PM

AUG 17 08^A



Mr Geo C. Goodhue

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415-417 West Main Street

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U. S. of America.

LOUISVILLE
AUG 27
6 30 PM
1908





THE HÔTEL MÉTROPOLE

LONDON

W.C.

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS:
"MÉTROPÔLE," LONDON.

Saturday Aug 15/1908

My dearest son, our ride through the length of England and through Scotland as far as Edinburgh, was through a very green country, but as we went north we got into a lot of hills when there was green grass and lots of sheep, but no grain of any kind. Even the turnip fields were scarce but we went out of this large region into low lands again where potatoes and oats grow nicely as they do around Edinburgh. To day we went over the castle and the old Holyrood palace, both of them made interesting chiefly by incidents in the life of

of Mary Queen of Scots, who was barbarously treated by these savages and barbarians who lived in those days. She was only a girl of 18 when she left the shores of France to become Queen of Scotland, and she had a hard time from the day she landed. We saw in Holyrood her suite of apartments and the little cubby hole called her private supper room was no larger than 9x10 ft. It was in that little closet that her favorite Rizzio was killed before her eyes and left lying on the floor. The spot is marked by a brass tablet. The Royal families had fewer comforts than you and Herbert had in your room.

The great castle of Edinburgh

is on a great hill with precipitous sides and is full of the MacKenzie highlanders, who with their kilts and bare knees and white leggings look very saucy as they parade about the town, swinging their swagger sticks as they stride along. This town is the most picturesque city in Europe. The houses well built of gray sandstone, the clean streets, the two story trolleys, the beautiful monuments, all help to fill the mind with admiration and pleasure. We have been busy every day and could be busy for weeks hunting up the places of interest, but we shall cut our stay short and leave next Wednesday for London, where we shall remain for a couple of days, getting ready for crossing to Paris, where we shall remain for several weeks. We find that we are somewhat overloaded with baggage and if we make long trips from Paris we propose to store the big trunks at Paris and travel light. We find the American Express notes very satisfactory. Everybody takes them, tradesmen and hotels, and the Cook people also cash them.

We all send you our best wishes and much love. We hope that you are conquering all obstacles by your energy and savoir faire. Mother says she wants you to act as her representative on the Board of Directors, if you feel like you ^{are} full the duties. And so with much love from us all, I remain

Your loving father
Ezra Woodruff

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THE HOTEL MÉTROPOLE

LONDON

W.C.

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS:
"MÉTROPOLE, LONDON."

August 8, 1908

Dear Jimmy -

Here we are still at the Metropole - London - but we have bought our tickets for Edinburgh and expect to start on Monday ^{after} making a three weeks stay here - we have seen quite a little but not all of London and its environs - We will return to pick up our baggage and then cross over to the Continent - after a week in Scotland - I am anxious to get over to the Continent and especially to Switzerland & Austria. Friends are at Lucerne

now - I mean the Ingrahams -

Yesterday she had a visit from dear little Georgie Spooner & who is on her way with her Uncle & Cousin to South Africa and after that to Egypt, Russia &c. - Her tour was quite a surprise to her as well as to Grace - they were in London only one week and sail this A.M. and expect to be "en voyage" seventeen days.

We are all just a little the worse for wear - I think your father stands going better than we do - although he never goes out at night, we lose a touch by staying in the house in the evening - London is now deserted by the English Social world - they are

out of town for the summer - some or many of them
have gone to Scotland for the shooting which begins
in the 12th of August. They think London so "hot"
in August but we find it quite cool, the Mercury
stood at 60 one day this week and this morning it
is quite cool & cloudy with a little fog - I wish
you had such an atmosphere in Louisville -

We got a New York Herald evening afternoon, pub-
lished on this side telling all about the extreme heat and
humidity in New York -

Father has just come in - he has been to see Madame
Tussaud's wax works and says it is not as good
as Eden Musee in New York - everything looked
very dingy - like nearly everything in London

We are going to visit to-day and to-morrow
Saturday & Sunday so as to be ready for
Monday's trip -

We have decided that First Street is where
we want a house in Louisville - Fourth St is too
noisy & too smoky - Third St is equally noisy
and more smoky - Second St has a little so
we want to have our house on First Street
beyond Denton's - or Oak - as if you can find a
comfortable house - not very large, it will suit
us in that region - in the meantime we all unite in
a batch of love to our dear son, your loving & devoted
mother, Frances G. Woodruff

Why do you call Roland
by the name of Sunday



THE HÔTEL MÉTROPOLE



It is such an odd &

LONDON

unusual name for a house -

W.C.

Mother

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS,
"MÉTROPOLE" LONDON.

P. S. You have not had
but one letter from you -
and we are so anxious
to know how you are
getting on through the hot
summer - For your
sake I hope the heat is
over and will be glad
when the summer is over
for you & lake - I do
hope & pray constantly for
your health & happiness &
welfare Mother -

LONDON.W.C

8.30 PM

AUG 8 08A

Mr Geo E Woodruff
C/o Pearlee, Gaubert Co
415-417 West Main Street -
Louisville
Kentucky

United States
of
America -

LOUISVILLE KY
AUG 20
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1908



He start on Monday next for Edinbro.
I found a tailor who has made me
a suit for about \$35 - which is no
cheaper than Amheim for the same
grade of material. Flexure in L. chpt
the same price for my blue flannel suit.
These London goods are maybe finer than
the serge L. suit, but are made no better.

We are trying to keep you supplied
with postals, but we find it hard to
get a letter from you. We got the only one
dated July 17th and it gave us great
pleasure. We all hope that your firm
is doing business prosperously. Surely the
good crops will start prospering, - and
I hope it will come with a rush, - and
come to stay. Don't lose your grip, keep
a stiff upper lip and a smiling
face, we are all with you and are
praying for your success. Mother and
Grace join me in sending love by the
shipload. Grace has just seen George Spooner
who is here. I am your loving father.

Esra Woodruff



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THE GROSVENOR HOTEL LONDON
THE HOTEL METROPOLE MONTE CARLO
THE GRAND HOTEL BROADSTAIRS
THE HOTEL METROPOLE BRIGHTON
THE CLARENCE ROOMS BRIGHTON
THE LORD WARDEN HOTEL DOVER
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THE BURLINGTON HOTEL EASTBOURNE
THE ROYAL PIER HOTEL RYDE I. of W.
THE CLIFTONVILLE HOTEL MARGATE
THE HOTEL METROPOLE FOLKESTONE
THE HOTEL ROYAL DIEPPE

THE HOTEL METROPOLE
AND
THE WHITEHALL ROOMS.

LONDON, W.C. Friday Aug 7 1908

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS:
"METROPOLE", LONDON

TELEPHONE:
8130 GERRARD (20 LINES)

My dear son, we are
sitting in the great parlor
of the Hotel and are the lone
occupants. Every P.M. at 9 o'clock
they have a "tea" and there are a
good many people pay 7-6
for it. We cut it as a rule, but
the parlor fills up at that time, but
everybody clean out afterwards.
This P.M. we rode out to St ampsted
Heath, a wild piece of ground covered
with trees big and little. It is the
top of a high hill and one can get
a fine view of London and the country

around. We went in a taxicab, through Regents Park and up a long hill street and finally reached the top of the ridge. The town has grown so fast that the view is no wilderness effect, but it is a great breathing ground for the Londoners on the holidays, - as many as 25,000 spreading themselves about the place. On our return by another road we passed through many streets of small houses which made one think of the streets in Brooklyn going down towards the Navy Yard. The vastness of London overpowers one. Whenever you go you see whole streets full of stately houses, mostly stores and the dwellings all appear so quiet and reserved that they seem deserted, but the stores and shopping streets are filled with busy rushing crowds, - just like you 4th St. The Busses are all two story and it is quite pleasant to climb on top by the small stairs and look down on the busy scenes of the street. There are very few street cars, - but there are lots of auto omnibuses and horse buses also. They keep going, - I see no jams but everything keeps moving. The policemen ~~at~~ stand in the middle of the street; and will always stop traffic to let ladies and children cross. There seem to be no accidents

LONDON.W.G

8.30 PM

AUG 7 1884

Mr George E. Woodruff
417 Main St
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United States

LOUISVILLE, KY
AUG 16
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1908



19 days

SIR JOE

all the news about our sight seeing
as I will only enclose a Postal Card
I am rather to hanging me to the bank
to the National Museum - as I must
close with one of love from
I am obliged to the
The ink is from the
lot of blue - which is
to remain the same

August 3, 1908.
Metropole Hotel London
Dear Sonny -
This is a jolly
Bank Holiday and
as every thing and place
is closed, and every body
out on excursions, we
are staying indoors +
resting - though we are
going to the National
Museum for an hour or
two - We were delighted
to have your letter as
was the first we had
heard from you since

Although I should like to accommodate
the Golf Club
In regard to the Mr. Shaw & Mr. Bell
says I am in full possession of them
at present - although they were retained
(by counsel) for a time
I hope you are well & and best -
the hot weather is about over, we
have been blessed with fine weather
days - and quite cool, except when in
the sun - Good night

our arrival here; you
may continue to address
us Esq. Thomas Cooke & Son
Ludgate Circus, London.
We want to go to Edinburgh
by Scotland, soon and
will return to London, before
crossing to the Continent -
In regard to the sale
of the Boston Farms I do
not wish to sell it at present
I have not seen it, nor
have I yet come into the
possession of it, but
I should at least like
to have a look at it
before offering it for sale

LONDON W.G

4. PM

AUG 3 084



George E. Woodruff
415 West Main Street -
Louisville

Kentucky

U.S. America

C/o
Peaslee, Gaultent Co

LOUISVILLE, KY.
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and also Lady Jane Gray was be-
headed there & a few others. The
Tower covers three or four acres
and is on the banks of the river
Thames near the Tower Bridge.
We saw the crown jewels &
regalia which are in one of the
towers and you pay 6 pence
a piece to see them. Most of
the ancient regalia was sold
by Cromwell, but still there are
some beautiful diadems, swords
all jewelled and other things.
The big Holbein was shown only
in a model as the original is the
personal property of Queen Alexan-
dra and she keeps it herself.

Visitors are not allowed
in many parts of the Tower
except by special permit. There
are a great many subterranean
passages which lead around
from one side to the other of
the fortress. You know in early
days the Tower was used by
kings as a residence but

July 28 - 1908 -
Hotel Metropole.

Dearest Mother -

We have just finished
our maps and are sitting down in
the writing room waiting until
supper time. We dine very late here -
anywhere between seven & eight
or nine - One gets into bad habits
moving around so much.

This morning we started out
in a bus from Trafalgar Square &
went as far as the Babel, where
we went thro' the Bourse, a fine
high building on Thread needle St. &
we saw some beautiful frescos there
& then went on another bus to Ball
Gate Church and then walked down
to the Tower. The Tower is like a
hip fort with a ^{broad} moat & high stone
walls with turrets on the top &
and inside walls & more towers
& gates - In the innermost court
is a parade ground on which is
the site of the scaffold where
Anne Boleyn & Catherine Howard
wives of Henry VIII were beheaded

Charles II was the last one to use it as such
to be only spent the night there the day before
he was crowned. We came home by the
train, stopping at Hotel Cecil a fine big hotel
on the Embankment for lunch. It cost
us ten and six and six pence extra for stout.
Father & Mother occasionally have a bottle of
Guinness Stout. It is a sort of ale. I don't like it.
We walked home along the Strand - and were all
pretty tired. So - night we are going to an A.B.C
created bread restaurant.

The people are very dressy at this hotel. They
wear much dress suits and decollete. I met a Vassar
girl here last night - Sylvia Buffington. She has
been out ^{of college} three years.

Father has met some Social Legion officers
and some people who know Katherine Cable
Davenport - Every one we meet has been over
many times before.

The Ingrahams expect to be in Paris
the last of August & we may meet them there,
though I can't say as there is no telling when
we leave here - Mother is getting leave
sick already for you and Sainsville.

With best love from us all Brother
dear and here's hoping that you will have
a fine summer. —

Grace



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415 West Main Street
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LOUISVILLE, KY
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KNOXVILLE, TENN.

July 28th 1908

My dear George

Having a desire to hear from you and how you are getting along, I write this. The time has come when I have more time than anything else, and the man who has so much time on his hands never has time to do any thing.

Your Father has kept me posted as to your movements &c. I am glad you are settled and your present conditions and environments are perhaps the best thing for you. You are now called upon to show your mettle and "make good" I know you will do it, and will hold your own. Muscle is a good thing, but Brains are better. You have had fine training mentally
over

and that is what counts. The man
that thinks will succeed, and you
are called upon to do a vast amount
of it.

I came across a remark of Disraeli
(the Prime Minister) he says -

"Do not deny - Do not contradict -
and sometimes forget" If you will apply
these 3 rules to your conduct you will never
regret it. Some people especially when young are
apt to deny or contradict too promptly and
thereby make an enemy. Socrates knew better
he denied by "Suggestion" (that it might be different &c)

In 5 years from now you will be one of the
ablest merchants in L.

Now all work and no play makes Jack a dull boy
don't hesitate to take a month's vacation at a
suitable time and tittle short business trips
frightens one up immensely. I suppose your
folks are now having the time of their lives, wish
I was with them. Picks out some nice refined - well
educated girl of good family & go for her. if she has
money all the better. but it must not be the main thing
Come down & see me some time if it is only to spend
Saturday & Sunday. I am doing nothing & can give you all
the time. write soon. yours affectionately

P. S. are you a director

W W Woodruff

We have given up the idea of changing our hotel. This is a little more expensive, but it is quite central and we can get around very easily. The taxicab is going to do away with the horse. They simply fly. They go through crowded streets at a very lively gait. The other day we all went to the Trans. Exps. and as both Mother and Grace are fearful of the underground tubes, - we took a taxi, and we got to the entrance in 25 minutes, a distance of 6 miles. They charge 8/- for the 1st mile and for every quarter mile additional they charge 2/- extra. There is a taximeter box with a dial which the passenger can see, and it keeps one busy watching the figures jump up. The trip out cost us 3/6 or about 80 cents for all three, and that is cheap.



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THE HOTEL METROPOLE
 AND
 THE WHITEHALL ROOMS.

LONDON, Monday July 27 1908
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TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS,
 "METROPOLE", LONDON.

TELEPHONE:
 8130 GERRARD (20 LINES)

My dear son, we have had a succession of nice days since our arrival, - warm and bright, but not so hot as your town.

We received our first batch of mail to-day, but we were disappointed in not hearing from you. I got one from Mr. Botts in answer to mine sent a short while ago by the Pilot. He said he did not know why L.A. & associates refused to transfer the shares to you Mother, but he said that they, - the Trust Co had regularly transferred them to Mother.

so that there could be no doubt as to mother's
right and title. Ask Mr ^{Boyle} ~~Botts~~ about the matter,
and tell us what he says. You must also let
us know how business is, - whether it is reviving
yet. We see that the crops are fine.

Mr Botts letter to mother enclosing yours, offering all
desire to buy shares also came. Mr B. had sent it to
Atlantic City and it was forwarded here. He is quite
emphatic in stating that there is nothing against
mother's interest in her signing the document, and
thinks that it is only a form, to enable the Trust Co. to sell
the shares. Now if you find that they cannot make
a sale without mother's signature and also yours
and Gracies, to show that you do not wish to purchase
shares, the matter can be considered in two ways. If we
desire that the sale should be consummated, you might
or mother might send the document back to Mr Botts.
Or if they can't buy without your and mother and Gracies
renunciation of the wish to buy, we might deal with
L.A. and say, you make a straight transfer of
mother's shares and we will sign the renouncing paper.
However, if the sale is already made and complete,
without the paper, - then mother might just as well keep
it or destroy it. She will not return it to Mr Botts
until she hears from you. Be sure to write us

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He keeps doing a little sight
seeing. He intended visiting the tower
to-day, but Gracie was not well
enough, so she and mother went
in a cab to Tiffany's, who
have a place here, to get mother's
new ring. It looks quite nice
T. would not value the stone, but said,
to match it would cost about £80-

\$400-

I asked them about having the
repeater cleaned, but they charged \$15
so I shall wait until we go to
Geneva where Jacoby the maker
of the watch is, and I hope he
can do it cheaper.

I have not found a tailor
yet, but I think I shall indulge

in a new suit of clothes before
we leave London.

We live a la Carte for Lunch
and Supper, but we get what
they call ~~of~~ here a plain breakfast
for 2 shillings, = coffee, rolls,
butter, marmalade and muffins
and eggs. It is a good breakfast.
I think the chickens here are better
than U.S. birds, and they are nicely
cooked.

I went into Westminster Abbey
for an hour again. It is a most
wonderful place, and grows greater
every time you see it.

Be sure to write a line often
and with our best love I am
Your loving father

Cyrus Woodruff

LONDON, W.C.

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Dear Brother +

Printed in Great Britain.
We came down here
the day we went to
the Tower, on a bus
and we went into the
Bourse, which is the
building with the
columns on the front
facade & saw some
fine mural pictures of events
in Eng. history. We are
going to Edinburgh on
Monday -
with love
Grace.

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