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HEARST, WILLIAM RANDOLPH

1886

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HOFFMAN HOUSE,  
BROADWAY,  
MADISON SQUARE,

New York, ..... 1886

Dear Mother: I arrived  
this, Saturday, morning, after  
a very pleasant journey.

The weather here is  
disagreeable but not severe  
so you need have no fears  
in regard to my health.

There is little or nothing  
to write you about since  
\$ whatever is business  
-and nearly every thing is  
business; I shall write  
to my father. I have taken  
a room at the Hoffman  
and am very comfortably  
situated.

If I can get through  
my business today, I shall  
go to Boston tomorrow, if  
not I shall have to wait  
till Monday night. As I  
don't know where I shall

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stop in Boston you had  
better send all letters for  
the present to The A. S. Club.  
And don't let this request  
frighten you into the  
belief that I am going  
to spend all my time at  
the A. S., and am going  
to idle and not work,  
for I can assure you  
truthfully that my days  
of childishness are over  
and that I have now no  
other idea in going back  
to Harvard than to come  
out creditably in my  
examinations. To do this  
will require work, and  
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to Cambridge every day  
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MADISON SQUARE,

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I will take my luncheon  
at the A. H. and will  
then have an opportunity  
of receiving my mail.  
Don't worry about me  
In fact don't worry about  
anything

Tell my father that I  
shall write him as soon  
as I have something definite  
to say.

Your affectionate son  
W. B. East.

HOFFMAN HOUSE  
Broadway,  
Madison Square,

New York .....1886.

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(W.R.Hearst, New York, 1886) - #2

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| Received at Corcoran Building, S. E. Cor. 15th & "F" Sts., Washington, D. C. |         |          | May 6 1886 |

Dated Boston Mass 6  
 To Mrs. Geo. Hearst

1435. Mass. ave Wash D.C.

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Marred the joyfulness of the  
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 about it. W. R. Hearst

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(W.R.Hearst :- Telegram)

Dated Boston, Mass May 16 1886

To Mrs. Gec. Hearst  
1435 Mass Ave Washn D.C.

The honor I proposed to confer upon the College declined with thanks alack aday my presence aroused too many slumbering memories of the past and visions of flagranisings and C observed their judgment there was one vision that might have counteracted the unfavorable effect but she had appeared only to a favored few. The favored few stuck firm. The dean nailed his colors a bit of alive plush to the Moil and went down without a murmur. His poor old slate colored head erect and his eyes flashing defiance in five or six directions at once. Of course the reception was a great success did not project myself for fear that thin waivy figure uncertain in outline and intensely blue in color would have marred the joyfulness of the occasion as it were What are you going to do about it.

W. R. Hearst.



Hotel del Monte,

MONTEREY, CAL.

July 25 1886.

Dear Ma: -

~~though~~ I  
have always been  
known as William  
the Wise and renowned  
for the brilliancy and  
appropriateness of my  
ideas. I have never been  
more worthy of my  
soubriquet or more  
deserving of my  
fame than at the  
present moment.  
An idea has come  
upon me. An idea  
so large, so magnificent  
in its proportions

that is all but fills  
the spacious chambers  
of my mighty mind.  
This idea I shall  
unfold to you because  
you are a necessary  
element in the scheme.  
Otherwise I should  
hesitate to explode  
upon you unexpectedly  
and unprepared  
a conception of such  
magnitude. As it is  
necessary therefore  
that the scheme should  
be revealed to you  
brace yourself against  
the shock while I  
on my part will be  
as delicate and gentle

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as possible in releasing  
this avalanche of thought.  
The steamer to San  
Simon goes this afternoon  
and, as no doubt you  
know by this time,  
without the precious  
freight we had expected  
it to carry. This precious  
freight being compelled  
to remain behind other  
equally precious freight  
considers it obligatory  
upon him to remain  
as well. Now with  
this much of introduction  
behold the scheme.

The Wednesday steamer  
to the ranche is a miserable  
one. Saturday's is of  
course a miserable  
one too but is preferable  
to the other. Let us  
therefore remain  
until Saturday next  
before starting for  
the ranche and let  
us — us being you  
Mrs. Calhoun, Mrs  
Calhoun Virgie and  
myself — let us  
spend the intervening  
time at this most  
delightful of summer  
resorts, Monterey.

I am sure you  
would enjoy this

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and I rather think Mrs  
Calhoun and her Mama  
would likewise enjoy  
it. You see it is  
only for a few days  
and as the life here  
is a contrast to that  
of the ranche it would  
serve as an agreeable  
prelude and the  
ranche life would  
be all the more enjoyable  
after a few days spent  
here. There is tennis  
bowling and the  
baths there is a little  
whirl of gaiety in the

evening - a very small  
eddy indeed - there are  
a number of very  
pleasant people, more  
than I thought San  
Francisco could boast  
and I am positive that  
we could spend three  
days or so in a very  
delightful manner  
here. In case Mrs  
Calhoun can't come  
until Saturday, you  
and Eleanor could  
start early in the  
week and await  
her here. And in  
case you should not  
be able to come until  
Wednesday or Thursday

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ren't there some one who  
could chaperone Eleanor  
for a couple of days  
until one family or  
the other arrives.

Could you manage  
to consult with the young  
lady on the subject  
and find out what  
her ideas are. Or are  
your plans such as  
to be incapable of the  
proposed modification.

Ans. Paid.

Mrs. P. S. Harsh.

P. S. Did you get the  
delicious letters? Keep 'em.

(W.R.Hearst - 1886)

HOTEL DEL MONTE

Monterey, Cal.

July 25, 1886.

Dear Ma:-

Though I have always been known as William the Wise and renowned for the brilliancy and appropriateness of my ideas, I have never been more worthy of my soubriquet or more deserving of my fame than at the present moment.

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This idea I shall unfold to you because you are a necessary element in the scheme. Otherwise I should hesitate to explode upon you unexpecting and unprepared a conception of such magnitude. As it is necessary therefore that the scheme should be revealed to you brace yourself against the shock while I on my part will be as delicate and gentle as possible in releasing this avalanche of thought

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(W.R.Hearst - July 25, 1886) - #2

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I am sure you would enjoy this and I rather think Miss Calhoun and her Mama would likewise enjoy it. You see it is only for a few days and as the life here is a contrast to that of the ranche it would serve as an agreeable prelude and the ranche life would be all the more enjoyable after a few days spent here. There is tennis, bowling and the baths; there is a little whirl of gayety in the evening -- a very small eddy indeed -- there are a number of very pleasant people, more than I thought San Francisco could boast and I am positive that we could spend three days or so in a very delightful manner here. In case Mrs. Calhoun can't come until Saturday, you and Eleanor could still come early in the week and await her here. And in case you should not be able to come until Wednesday or Thursday, isn't there some one who could chaperone Eleanor for a couple of days until one family or the other arrives?

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W. R. Hearst.

P.S.- Did you get the delirious letters?  
Keep 'em.

1886?

Dear Mother; I have  
just telegraphed that  
I would go to Mexico  
as soon as I can safely.

The doctor drives me  
out of town tomorrow

I am getting well but  
have a couple of large  
and promising boils  
due to measles and  
nasty medicine I guess.

I am sorry I was so  
decided about the ranch

business if it distressed  
papa but I am nervous  
and irritable I expect  
and it seemed outrageous  
that my father should  
think so poorly of me.

When wrote that about  
the ranch

I am all broke up about  
the boat. I don't want to  
complain, but ~~it is~~

~~you wanted it~~  
~~and it is~~ I think

it would be a mighty  
good thing to have

Your affectionate son

(W.R.Hearst - 1886?)

Dear Mother:

I have just telegraphed that I would go to Mexico as soon as I can safely. The doctor drives me out of town tomorrow. I am getting well but have a couple of large and promising boils due to weakness and nasty medicine I guess.

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(Unsigned)

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| 13     | J       | md       | 24 Pd 1008 |

Received at SAN FRANCISCO. 833 SUTTER ST. Dep 27 1886

Dated El Paso Tex 27  
 To Mrs George Hearst  
1105 Taylor Dr  
 Trunk left Ricoon wells Fargo express  
 Deps first send to Caranagh Sanford  
 cutaway coat will need dress suit  
 too if go to City Mexico.  
 W R Hearst

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| 32     | K       | md       | 33 Pd 1204 |

Received at SAN FRANCISCO. 833 SUTTER ST. Dep 30 1886

Dated Chihuahua Mex 30  
 To Mrs George Hearst - 1105 Taylor  
Send five pair heavy califor  
via blankets to Deming and three  
pair to Chihuahua did Ellen get  
medicine at Sawyers rush coat  
Send different kinds preserves and some  
crackers doric and Veiger arrive friday  
 W. R. Hearst

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| 37     | Ja      | md       | 13 Pd via El Paso 3.30 |

Received at SAN FRANCISCO. 833 SUTTER ST. Sep 28 1886

Dated Chihuahua Mex 28  
 To Mrs Geo Hearst  
1105 Taylor Dr  
 Send Chihuahua me Intosh  
 and Waterproof boots and  
 couple pair blue trousers  
 & anything alright  
 W R Hearst

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Received at SAN FRANCISCO. 833 SUTTER ST. Oct 2 1886

Dated Write news at length.  
 To W. R. Hearst



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| 36     | Li      | md       | 42 Paid via E.L. Paid 426 <sup>P</sup> |

Received at SAN FRANCISCO. 833 SUTTER ST. Oct 2nd 1886

Dated Chihuahua Mex<sup>2</sup>

To Mrs George East, 1105 Taylor St

It wouldnt think of leaning for  
 theatricals but if can really be of any  
 service with politics on Examiner will  
 come. Cant see how myself, have my  
 Examiner sent here by Wells Fargo only  
 get one every other day.

(Telegram - W.R.Hearst)

(Western Union Telegraph Company)

Dated El Paso, Texas  
Sept 27 1886

To Mrs. George Hearst  
1105 Taylor St

Trunk left Rincon Wells Fargo express Sept.  
first, send to Cavanaugh Sanford outaway  
coat will need dress suit too if go to  
City Mexico

W. R. Hearst

(W.R.Hearst - Telegram)

Dated Chihuahua, Mexico  
Sept 28 1886

To Mrs Geo. Hearst  
1105 Taylor

Send Chihuahua McIntosh and waterproof  
boots and couple pair blue trousers.  
Everything alright.

W. R. Hearst

(W.R.Hearst - Telegram)

Dated Chihuahua, Mex Oct 2nd 1886

To Mrs George Hearst  
1105 Taylor St

Wouldn't think of leaving for theatricals  
but if can really be of any service with  
politics on Examiner will come. Can't  
see how myself, have my Examiner sent here  
by Wells Fargo, only get one every other  
day. Write news at length.

W. R. Hearst

(W.R.Hearst - Telegram)

Dated Chihuahua, Mex Sep 30 1886

To Mrs. George Hearst  
1105 Taylor

Send five pair heavy California blankets to  
Deming and three pair to Chihuahua. Did  
Ellen get medicine at Sawyers. Rush coat.  
Send different kinds preserves and some  
crackers. Derio and Verger arrive Friday.

W. R. Hearst

U [1886?]  
(W.R.Hearst -- 1887?)

El Paso, Texas..... 188

Dear Ma:-

The enclosed letter I wrote on the train but not having any stamps did not have an opportunity to send it until I reached here -- El Paso.

Everything is blooming so far, and I have no doubt but I will have a very healthful trip. I am equally certain however that I shall get very tired of this business before three months are over but I guess I can stand it for the sake of the benefit it will do me. You know I will have to build up my constitution considerable in view of the threatening misfortunes. Send my letters when they -- if indeed they ever do -- come to Chihuahua and let me hear the latest news of yourself, herself, themselves and things in general.

Your affectionate son

W. R. Hearst.

(W.R.Hearst re: Mexico - 1886?)

(Printed letterhead)  
Chihuahua, Mexico.

Dear Mama:

As soon as the election is over, head the papa for this country and let him go. There is much here for him to do. There is much here to be done and a great part of it I cannot do. Mr. Verger has secured a grant for the survey of the western part of Chihuahua, the eastern part of Sonora, the northeastern part of Sinaloa and the northern part of Durango. (four states in Mexico). To the surveyor of this section one third of all the government land accrues with the privilege of buying another third with government scrip at its face value, - and this can be obtained in Mexico now at 10¢ on the dollar. A little while ago it might have been obtained for 6¢ and even less, but the demand for it for this purpose has caused it to rise and is forcing it still higher. The grant above mentioned provides further that the mineral lands not already denounced on the Government land surveyed shall belong to the holder of the grant for one year after the survey to be disposed of as he sees fit during that time. A fifth of the land sold goes to one Pacheco, an officer of the government, through whom the patent was obtained and some concessions must be made to Don Jose Valenzuela who has been making surveys in Chihuahua and who is a very powerful man in this section and must be conciliated. But these are all the incumbrances.

Now please put the following proposition to my father. I write to you because I wish

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this to be private and not to fall into Townsend's hands - whether it would be better for us to furnish the thirty or forty thousand dollars necessary for the survey and control all the land ourselves or whether it would be better for us to give somebody -- say Jack Rathbone a fifth interest in the business for that amount.

I think it is a mighty big thing, and Don Jose and Verger and Follansbee are enthusiastic on the subject. There is not only the actual government land to be obtained but a lot of land which really belongs to the government but which is claimed but without good title by the parties holding it. How much this is cannot be accurately told at present, but it generally amounts to considerable and constitutes often the very best land. Compromises by which we can obtain half of this for the government may be arranged, and one third of this half goes to us. Then again the mineral in this country is a very important consideration. The indians get gold somehow and Don Jose is of the opinion that the mountains in this part of the Sierras are full of valuable mines. He is positive at any rate of the existence of gold washings and believes money can be made from them. He insisted upon being allowed to come in on the grant immediately and said that he would give us the benefit of all his surveys up to date for an interest. There is no doubt about our having a big thing. The only question is whether it would be best to hog it all or to let somebody else in for enough money to conduct the survey.

At any rate government scrip should be bought immediately before it rises any higher (as it will surely do) for papa needs this

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machinery would not cost more than \$150,000 but he doesn't admit that to the Mexicans but tells them that it would cost at least half a million. They consequently expect smaller portions for their share in a concern that is liable to cost such a mint of money. Don Jose thought at first he ought to have forty per cent for his services but will probably come down to 25% or 20% or even less. If papa could only see the country and could have some man go down in the mine and drag up sand and wash it, &c, &c, he could tell better whether it would be better to pay these fellows in money or shares. I should think shares, however, for that keeps them interested in the business and insures their assistance always.

Of all the schemes we have in this country, however, I suppose the railroad is really the biggest and would be the most lastingly profitable. I don't know anything about it, though. Verger is great on figures and if half or one fourth of what he says is true we could build the first nine miles and then eighty miles and let the road build itself for the rest of the way. I am certain, Certain mind you, with a big C, that papa could have the bonds placed by some banker in New York almost at par.

Well that will do for business for the present. I want that land business in the north to be our own proposition. Of course all mines, &c that Papa wants in our country will be turned over to him at a nominal price but I wish he would give me the money necessary for the survey and the benefit of his advice and then with that push let me go it alone. Once more if he don't want to give me the forty thousand I think I

can get it from Rathbone. But his \$50,000 is always ready and could be turned into something else. Could be put into cattle to stock some ranch of ours, could be put into land after the survey is made - and probably to better advantage to us then and better satisfaction to him. There are others, too, who would come in. The Chandlers, Harding Simpkins, &c, &c. I really don't see what is to prevent us from owning all Mexico and running it to suit ourselves. Ask Papa please to write a few lines; and say what he thinks and what he is going to do.

How about Cariboo? If that turns out well, I should put it on the New York market without sinking a single cent in it. I think Papa can do that and still reserve half. I would do the same with the Caroline mine if it is worth the while. Now you may by this time have arrived at the conclusion on your own account that sundry shekels in ready money are necessary to lubricate the wheels of these numerous concerns and I admit the fact. Indeed I make the statement of my own accord. How shall they be obtained? Now list, for now the Napoleonic move is closed. Let the lands in New Mexico be sold. Let those ranches and the ranch immediately across the border which you have just bought be put upon the New York or London market and be sold for \$800,00 or \$1,000,000. This will provide ready money and it will at the same get rid, while there is yet opportunity, of a highly undesirable property. From undisputed and most reliable sources I learn that the 44 sections just bought is not good land -- is what is commonly termed in this section of the country a goat ranch, being mostly highly mountainous and luxuriating in a magnificent crop of stones. According to

Follansbee and according to surveyors who have been over the country and have noted carefully its characteristics, there is only about seven sections that is good land - i.e. capable of bearing cattle. The rest being grotto scenery of the most picturesque order. It's a lot of land, however, and could easily be sold to nincompoops, & in fact from all appearances has been easily sold to nincompoops, and what man has done man can do - if he tries.

Then your land and cattle in Mexico constitute really a valuable property just now, but you will be crowded out. You have been pretty much already at Warm Springs and Apache Te Ju, you are surrounded by a lot of scrubs and unscrupulous Jockeys and land grabbers who take every advantage and whom you have continually to watch. Then the ranches are very expensive to run, the land is not your own. Head is not a desirable man to be in with. And finally if you could sell, it for the above named sum you would make more than you ever will out of the cattle the way it is conducted and you will make it now, when you most need it.

Haggin will be willing to get out, you may ~~be~~ rest assured of that, and between you, you can sell the ranch at the figure named.

We are pioneers in Mexico. We have all the opportunities open to us, that ever pioneers in California had and we should improve them. Moreover, you have experience now and matured judgment. You have also great influence with the government here and then you have Verger and Follansbee and me all overflowing with youthful energy. Again you

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have connections and a reputation in the east which will enable you to dispose of property and will give you prestige in this country, and then your election to the Senate -- if you get it, will be worth a million dollars to you at the very least here in Mexico. It will give you so much power, it will so impress these fellows. Now work your advantages; use your experience and your judgment, exert your influence; work Verger and Follansbee and me and there is no reason why we should not soon be as rich as Crocker or anybody.

Follansbee can place a number of things through Keene & Walcot and Livingston and the Chandlers, and I can place some through Rathbone & Simpkins and perhaps through my other acquaintances at College and you. Why I don't believe there is a mine that you couldn't put half of it on the market for enough money to pay for all the expenses. Stir yourself daddy pop. First get elected by all means and then between December and the time you take your seat we can raise enough money to work all our remaining things in a way that will allow us to sit back and watch the coffers swell.

Your affectionate son

W. R. Hearst.

P.S.-- Young Georgie Gould and young Jimmy Blaine have both gone and done it. Who said next? I am sure of one thing, however, the son of Senator Hearst from California will lead them all as far as his selection is concerned. Yes, will lead them all, meaning everybody and not George and Jim and Willie Crocker alone - but all. And if as you say, in a few years I could pick the girl of all

(W.R.Hearst re: Mexico 1886) - #8 -- P.S.

the girls I wanted in the world I would not change my mind. Nay, my Pop. There has been time to give my love a chance to cool were it so inclined but it obstinately refuses so to do. If I were serious before I am desperately in earnest now and if she should ever reconsider her decision why I would just go down on one of these southern plantations and raise rice and sugar cane and hell till our friend, the busy and grim visaged warrior, came along and doubled me up with a swoop of his scythe. Yet bet you, Pop. But this isn't business.

P.S. again. Have you arranged it so you are sure to get elected? Have you got that Map and have you marked out the sure enough Democratic districts; and the Republican districts impossible of influence and the districts that may be persuaded. Have you decided how many of these doubtful ones are essential and have you dispensed the lubricator where it will do the most good.  
Answer Paid.

W. R. Hearst  
Chihuahua, Mexico.

All Well.



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Dear Mama:-

I struck a washout  
and was detained at a  
little nearly station named  
Indis 36 hours, so I didn't  
reach Alaming until  
Friday morning. Jack  
and Vandlype met me  
at the train and we  
spent nearly all the  
day in a big talk. In the  
evening we had a race  
with the hounds and my  
sympathies were decidedly  
on the side of the poor rabbit  
which straddled over  
the ground at an great  
rate of speed but had finally

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to succumb. I don't like  
this country nor this way  
of living nor these people  
nor anything connected  
with the place. Jack on  
the other hand seems to  
enjoy himself. He thinks  
the men good fellows  
is pleased with the  
country and enjoys his  
occupation. He only  
regret, as far as I can  
see is that he can't have  
in this country all those  
dinners and New York  
blow-outs. I with the  
wisdom of advanced  
years and extensive

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experience look with  
disdain upon such  
purely animal and  
material pleasures and  
yearn rather for the  
delights of the intellect  
- the spiritual. I have  
seen the wind, I have  
reaped the whirlwind  
and now in the serene  
quiet of my mellow  
age I can see the errors  
I have made in the  
<sup>past</sup> and can profit by my  
experience.

No more shall this  
exhilarating spirit of  
alcohol hold me in its

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in its hot embrace,  
No longer shall those  
insidious tempters the  
companions of my  
reckless youth beguile  
me from the paths  
of virtue. The haunts  
that knew me once shall  
know me no more.

There is no sacrifice  
on my part. It is no  
expectation for me to be  
good. I just feel naturally  
sanctified. How long  
this sacred business  
will hold out I don't  
know. I'm afraid not  
very long. As I said

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It is no trouble for me  
to be good when the  
divinity reveals herself  
to me and the exaltation  
is upon me but I feel  
that I have not been  
long enough within  
the elevating influence  
to be permanently  
translated.

We are now in El  
Paso Texas and I have  
been out to see cutting  
in the hope of getting  
some information that  
would be valuable to  
the Examiner. Nothing  
particularly interesting

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has occurred as yet  
except an interview  
with General Miles  
which I telegraphed on.  
The General is averse  
to being interviewed  
as a rule but was  
willing to be questioned  
by the son of my  
father. The information  
elicited was not startling  
in character and  
merely confirmed  
an indisputable  
authority the report  
that Geronimo was  
surrounded and would  
soon be compelled to surrender.

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We expect to meet  
Papa here tomorrow  
night and will go  
up with him & Henry  
I wish you could  
find out ~~out~~ with  
certainty whether Papa  
is really needed in  
San Francisco, what  
the prospects are for  
democratic success  
of any man that  
you think would  
interest and mine  
& Henry.

Your affectionate son  
Wm. R. Frost

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Dear Ma:

The enclosed letter I wrote on the train but not having any stamps did not have an opportunity to send it until I reached here - El Paso.

Every thing is blooming so far, and I have no doubt but I will have a very healthful trip - I am equally certain however that I shall get very tired of this business before three months are over but I guess I can

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stand it for the sake of the benefit it will do me. You know I will have to build up my constitution considerable in view of the threatening misfortunes. Send my letters when they - if indeed they ever do come to Chihuahua and let me hear the latest news of yourself herself themselves and things in general.

Your affectionate son  
W. R. Jones

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Mrs. Mama:

As soon as the election is over, head the papa for this county and let him go. There is no much here for him to do. There is much here to be done and a great part of it I can not do. Mr. Berger has secured a grant for the survey of the western part of Chihuahua, the eastern part of Sonora, the southeastern part of Sinaloa and the northern part of Durango. (four states in Mexico) To the surveyor of this section one third of all the government land accrues with the privilege of buying an other third with government scrips at its fair value, - and the can be obtained

in Mexico now at 10¢ on the dollar. A little while ago it might have been obtained for 6¢ and even less, but the demand for it for this purpose has caused it to rise and is forcing it still higher. The grant above mentioned provides further that the mineral lands not already denounced on the government land surveyed shall belong to the holder of the grant for one year after the survey - to be disposed of as he sees fit during that time. A fifth of the land sold goes to one Pacheco an officer of the government through whom the patient was detained and some concessions must be made to Don Jose Valenzuela who has been making surveys in Chihuahua and who is a very powerful man in that

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section and must be <sup>El Paso, Texas,</sup> conciliated. But these are all the incumbrances. Now please put the following proposition to my father. I will do you because I wish this to be private and not to fall into Townsends hands - whether it would be better for us to furnish the thirty or forty thousand dollars necessary for the survey and control all the land ourselves or whether it would be better for us to give some body - say Jack Rathbone a fifth interest in the business for that amount.

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should improve them. Moreover  
you have experience now  
and matured judgment.  
You have also great influence  
with the government here  
and then you have Vuger  
and Follansbee and me  
all overflowing with youthful  
energy. Again you have  
connections and a reputation  
in the East which will enable  
you to dispose of property  
and will give you prestige  
in this country - and then  
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- if you get it will be worth  
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these fellows. Now work  
your advantages; use your  
experience and your judgment,  
exert your influence; Work  
Vuger and Follansbee and  
me and there is no reason  
why we should not soon  
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number of things through  
Keene & Walcott and Livingston  
and the Chandlers. and I  
can place some through  
Rathbone & Simpkins and  
perhaps through my other  
acquaintance at College  
and you. Why I don't believe  
there is a mine that you  
couldn't get half of it or

the market for enough money  
to pay for all the expenses  
Still you surely daddy pops  
first get elected by all means  
and then between ~~the time~~  
December and the time you  
take your seat we can raise  
enough money to work all  
the our remaining things in  
a way that will allow us  
to sit back and watch the  
coppers swell.

Your affectionate son  
W. R. Hurst

P.S. Young Georgie Dault and  
Young Jimmy Blaine have both  
gone and done it. Who said  
next? I am sure of one thing  
however the son of Senator Hearst  
from Californiagh will lead  
them all as far as his selection  
is concerned. Yes will lead them

EDWARD PTACNICH

Chihuahua, Mexico.

all. meaning everybody and  
not George and Jim and  
Willie Crocker alone - not  
all. And if as you say, in  
a few years I could pick the  
girl of all the girls I wanted  
in the world I would not  
change my mind. May my  
Pop. There has been time to  
give my love a chance to cool  
were it so inclined but it  
obstinately refuses to do.  
If I were serious before I am  
desperately in earnest now  
and if she should ever reconsider  
her decision why I would just  
go down on one of these Southern  
plantations and raise rice  
and sugar cane and sell  
till our present the boy and  
Jim resayed narrow canal  
along and doubled me



try with a swoop of his  
beak. You let you pay.  
But this isn't business.

P. S. again. Have you arranged  
is so you are sure to get elected  
Have you got that map,  
and have you marked out  
the sure enough Democratic  
districts, and the Republican  
districts impossible of influence  
and the districts that may be  
persuaded. Have you decided  
how many of these doubtful  
ones are essential and have  
you dispensed the lubrication  
where it will do the most good.

Answer Paid.

W. R. Trust.

Chihuahua Mexico.

All Well

Dear Mommy; I am almost  
afraid to send you  
this letter lest you faint  
away with surprise on  
receipt of it. I wanted  
to talk to you and fix  
things all up but I couldn't  
do it. You were nervous  
and I was nervous and  
I thought the best thing  
I could do was wait  
and write - so here's the  
letter.

Give my regards to Annie  
- only formally, for I feel

very much ~~embarrassed~~ at  
her not having come to  
~~my~~ New York as per my  
invitation.

Please send my greetings. I  
want something to plunk  
on the train going home.  
Jing Ma don't forget my  
chinas. You may include  
the little red one in the  
morning room if you like.  
If you keep the big blue  
put it in the window  
in a strong light so that  
it will show its color.

I hope you are feeling

better now that you are  
away from the malign  
influence of your infant.  
I'm pretty rocky. I'm  
going to eat up all my  
medecine today and if  
I dont get well then  
I'll try going without medicine  
for awhile. I expect  
it's just as well.

I will write some  
more before I go or  
send a telegram

Your affectionate son

(W. R. Hearst - 1886?)

Dear Mummy:

I am almost afraid to send you this letter lest you faint away with surprise on receipt of it. I wanted to talk to you and fix things all up but I couldn't do it. You were nervous and I was nervous and I thought the best thing I could do was wait and write,-- so here's the letter.

Give my regards to Annie -- only formally, for I feel very much snubbed at her not having come to New York as per my invitation.

Please send my guitar. I want something to plunk on the train going home.

Say Ma, don't forget my chinas. You may include the little red one in the morning room if you like. If you keep the big blue put it in the window in a strong light so that it will show its color.

I hope you are feeling better now that you are away from the malign influence of your infant. I'm pretty rocky. I'm going to eat up all my medicine today and if I don't get well then I'll try going without medicine for awhile. I expect it's just as well.

I will write some more before I go or send a telegram.

Your affectionate son.

(No signature)

6:19

HEARST, WILLIAM RANDOLPH

1887

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Chicago, \_\_\_\_\_ 1887?

dear Mama:-

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resort to force, to induce  
Papa to begin the journey,  
but now, that we are  
at least fairly on our  
way, he is the liveliest  
and most contented  
member of the party  
and regrets only that  
we did not leave New  
York a month ago.

We had a most  
delightful trip up the  
Mohawk valley, and  
Papa, I am sure enjoyed  
it thoroughly, as he sat  
looking out of the window

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upon the swift passing  
scene and detailing  
the changes that had  
occurred since he  
had seen it "twenty  
years ago". There  
is nothing like having  
some observing person  
along to attract ones  
attention to objects  
that would otherwise  
go unnoticed even  
though you may not

always look at them from the same standpoint.

We had little gusts of wind and storms of rain at intervals all day long but this only served to freshen and give motion to the scene. The long, slender blades of corn bent before the too eager wind, and every now and then the sun impatient burst through the restraining clouds and fell in blot's of light upon

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the earth turning the green of the valleys and filling the hills with lights and shadows. The pretty former maidens, ~~raked~~ - pretty at a distance - raked the hay and stopping in their work for a moment, peered ~~for a moment~~ from beneath old fashioned sun bonnets, at the passing train.



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missing for the "solitary  
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other hers of romance

Well I must close.  
If I am to write often  
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short. We leave to-morrow  
at nine for "Perrin"  
and go from there  
to deadwood by stage  
Used help no...  
Your loving son  
W. R. Hearst.

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The shadows lengthened, the shades of evening fell. The lights began to twinkle in the windows of the farm houses and one almost expected to see the "solitary horseman" famous in romance, appear on the crest of one of the surrounding hills. I had a sort of unsatisfied feeling as if I had read the opening chapters of a novel and had found the rest missing for the "solitary horseman" did not appear, nor did any other hero of romance.

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Your loving son

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Your loving son  
Wm H. Hunt

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To Mrs. Geo. Hearst  
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Merry Christmas. Tell the Senator that I  
hear a rise in copper is expected. Every-  
thing lovely at this end of the line.

W. R. Hearst

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1889

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PS If you can get Pa interested he  
will do the business. He has a  
Hotel de Londres  
way of doing things when he gets  
interested that I rather admire.  
15. Place d'Espagne  
Rome.

Dear Mamma: Jan. 1889

Why didn't you  
buy Ansiglion's Galatea  
It is superb. It is certainly  
one of the finest of modern  
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I think that Senator Stanford

millennium - where everybody  
will unselfishly admire  
that which belongs to someone

else <sup>namely</sup> the Senator -  
and the lion will lie down <sup>for the lamb</sup> to the equal cat -  
<sup>faction of both</sup>

As the one at which the  
world is least likely to  
arrive

So I want some of these  
fine things and I want  
you to have some of these  
fine things and do you  
know my beloved mother  
there is a way in which  
you might get them.

If instead of buying or  
half a dozen fairly nice  
things you would wait

and buy one fine thing  
all would be well.

As it is at present we  
have things scattered  
from New York to Washington  
and Washington to San  
Francisco, more than  
a house could hold  
and yet not among  
them a half a dozen  
things that are really  
superb. Now at this  
time in the different  
palaces of Italy several  
things are to be sold  
that are simply magnificent.

(sheet 2)

# Hôtel de Londres

15. Place d'Espagne

Rome

In the Balbi palace  
Genoa there is an antique  
of bust of Julius Caesar.  
If this ever gets into the  
possession of the Italian  
government it can  
never be bought in the  
world. In the Pallavicini  
palace Genoa is one of the  
finest Van Dykes I have  
ever seen. In Pisa is a  
Guido Reni that is simply  
lovely. It is his divine and  
earthly love. Ausigliani

says it is a great time to  
buy. The people are heavily  
taxed; the government is  
nearly bankrupt and  
cannot buy up these  
opportunities itself as  
it has formerly done,  
and some wealthy  
American or Englishman  
will soon step in and  
taking these chances here  
and there will have a  
collection almost equal  
to that of some of these  
national Galleries. I  
wish I could be the  
rich American. I wish  
you would be. How

nice it would be if ~~instead~~  
if we could exchange  
all our alledged pictures  
- except the four or five  
good ones - for two or three  
masterpieces such as I  
have mentioned. In price  
they are the same but in  
value how different

Well I for my small part  
am going to do this hereafter  
I am not going to buy any  
more trinkets. I am not  
even going to look into  
shop windows for fear  
of being tempted. I am  
going to be a regular

miser until I have  
saved a wad and then  
I shall be a prodigal  
and spend it all on  
some one thing, but  
it will be something fine  
Then when advanced  
in years I will not  
have had all that I wanted  
but I will have all that  
I want - which is better.  
~~Go~~ Go thou and do likewise  
mama dear; if you doubt  
you will be mad at yourself  
next time you come abroad  
What's the good of more

(sheet 3)

# Hôtel de Londres

15. Place d'Espagne

Rome

trinkets when we haven't  
room for those we have

Save your money ~~money~~<sup>money</sup>  
and wait. All things ~~to~~

come to him who waits  
(and saves his money) even  
Vandykes and Guido Reni's.

If in the meantime you  
could continue to sell a few  
things I will get for you  
with the money the one  
of the above mentioned articles  
which you most admire.

Ansighini saddened my  
heart the other day by  
telling me that the mag-  
nificent collection of  
coins that you once wanted  
had gone and had gone  
for a song. The old  
man had died his effects  
had been sold and his  
coins had brought but  
little more than their  
actual weight in gold  
and silver. Another  
opportunity - gone. Alas!  
the paths of life are paved  
with lost opportunities

I am going to leave with  
Ansis. a portion of my  
letter of credit. should  
happily any portion remain  
- and bid him "Stand  
by his glasses steady  
and look out for  
the next man that  
dies" (modified quot.)

I have stubbed my toe  
on enough busted  
opportunities. I shall  
watch more carefully  
hereafter

I see that some Royal

House of Spain has gone  
to America with a  
fine collection of  
old masters and will  
sell them there. Get  
one. Get a Murillo  
or a Velasquez. Don't  
get four or five old masters  
that nobody ever heard  
anything about. Get a  
Murillo or a Velasquez  
Of course get a Murillo  
and a Velasquez if you  
can but get at least  
one good picture and  
wait again.  
Yours wise and reverend son W.K.H.

(W.R.Hearst - Jan. 1889)

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So I want some of these fine things and I want you to have some of these fine things and do you know, my beloved mother, there is a way in which you might get them. If instead of buying a half a dozen fairly nice things, you would wait and buy one fine thing all would be well. As it is at present we have things scattered from New

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(W.R.Hearst - Rome - 1889) --#3

Then when advanced in years I will not have had all that I wanted but I will have all that I want -- which is better. Go thou and do likewise, mama, dear, if you don't you will be mad at yourself next time you come abroad. What's the good of more trinkets when we haven't room for those we have? Save your money, money, and wait. All things come to him who waits (and saves his money) even Van Dykes and Guido Reni's.

If in the meantime you could continue to sell a few things I will get for you with the money the one of the above mentioned articles which you most admire. Ansiglioni saddened my heart the other day by telling me that the magnificent collection of coins that you once wanted had gone and had gone for a song. The old man had died, his effects had been sold and his coins had brought but little more than their actual weight in gold and silver. Another opportunity gone, Alas! the paths of life are paved with busted opportunities.

I am going to leave with Ansig. a portion of my letter of credit -- should happily any portion remain -- and bid him "Stand by his glasses steady and look out for the next man that dies". (Modified quot.)

I have stubbed my toe on enough busted opportunities. I shall watch more carefully hereafter.

I see that some Royal Duke of Spain has gone to America with a fine collection of old masters and will sell them there. Get one. Get a Murillo or a Velasquez. Don't

(W.R.Hearst - Rome - 1889)--#4

get four or five old masters that nobody ever heard anything about. Get a Murillo or a Velasquez. Of course get a Murillo and a Velasquez if you can but get at least one good picture and wait again.

Your wise and reverend son

W. R. H.

P.S.-- If you can get Pa interested he will do the business. He has a way of doing things when he gets interested that I rather admire.



HOFFMAN HOUSE,  
BROADWAY,  
MADISON SQUARE.

New York, ..... 1889.

Dear Mother;

I am on my way now and what a fearfully stupid trip it is. I wish I had stayed in Washington and my paper would behave itself. The best thing would be to have our home in Washington and a paper in New York and then I wouldn't have to go three thousand miles everytime I wanted to brace up the office.

I wish I knew whether you were going to stay in Washington long and what you were going to do after your stay there is over. Between you and me I am getting so I do hate San Francisco. They say San Francisco is all right for men but I can't see how

it is unless one wants to get  
full every night. There are  
plenty of saloons. I shall  
have some hard work ~~for~~  
and that will occupy me  
until things are running  
smoothly but after that you  
have got to come out or I  
have got to go East. I can't  
go San Francisco alone  
Write me about it.

Tell the governor to go  
slow on that toddy business  
it has knocked out many  
a good man.

Don't you think you ought  
to invite John D. Inigo to  
your balls. He is awfully  
nice to me.

Don't worry about me in  
San Francisco a bit. I'm not  
going to be giddy. I am going  
to be a highly respectable citizen  
and a credit to my family.

I was going to wish that the girls miss me  
as much as I do them but that would really  
be unkind.  
Your affectionate son.

6:21

HEARST, WILLIAM RANDOLPH

1890

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| 14 W   | Malloy  | 19       | Paid  |

Received at 1114 CONN. AVE July 25 1889

Dated New York 25

To Mrs Geo Hearst  
1400 N 14 Ave

Have made all arrangements to leave  
do you feel too badly to go Sunday  
Please answer immediately  
W R Hearst

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Received at 1114 CONN. AVE July 26 1890

Dated New York 26

To Mrs Geo Hearst  
1400 N 14 Ave

Have changed time to Monday  
as you said leave then by Penna Central  
you can come here and leave together or leave  
from Washn and meet New York Car few  
hours out telegraph immediately which you  
will do W. R. Hearst. George Hearst

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| 230    | G       | by       | 25 Paid |

Received at New York July 26 1890

Dated New York 26

To Mrs Hearst  
1400 N H Ave

Will says he is going tomorrow evening says he must get away you had better wire him to wait he says he expects you tomorrow  
J. G. Tellausbee

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Received at Corcoran Building, S. E. Cor. 15th & "F" Sts., Washington, D. C. 7/27 1890

Dated New York 26

To Mrs Geo Hearst 1400 N H Ave Washn

The through connecting train leaves here Monday half past four I have engaged tickets and berths on that come here tomorrow or Monday morning nine forty from Washn you can

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Received at Corcoran Building, S. E. Cor. 15th & "F" Sts., Washington, D. C. 189

Dated Shop or do anything all  
 To day Monday up to four  
I cant change again, and  
there is very little difference  
to you between Monday evening  
and Tuesday morning besides Tuesday  
morning not through train leaves  
you all day at Chicago to A Hearst

(W. R. Hearst - Telegram)

(The Western Union Telegraph Company)

Dated New York, July 25 1890

To Mrs. Geo. Hearst  
1400 N. H. Ave.

Have made all arrangements to leave. Do  
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W. R. Hearst

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graph immediately which you will do.

W. R. Hearst

George Hearst.

(Telegram - J.G.Follansbee)

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tomorrow.

J. G. Follansbee

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Monday half past four. I have engaged  
tickets and berths on that. Come here to-  
morrow or Monday morning nine forty from  
Washn. You can shop or do anything all  
day Monday up to four. I cant change again  
and there is very little difference to you  
between Monday evening and Tuesday morning,  
besides Tuesday morning not through train  
leaves you all day at Chicago.

W. R. Hearst.



6:22

HEARST, WILLIAM RANDOLPH

1891


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[1891]

Dear Mother: I haven't written about the boat. It is rather an unpleasant subject. The blooming thing is a complete failure. I was never so disappointed in my life as when I first went out on the machine and realized how unsatisfactory she was.

The thing is so much smaller than one could have thought from the drawings. The reason is this; in the drawings

the dimensions of the rooms are given at the widest part of the boat, which is the top and at the bottom where you stand or sit, the rooms are all much narrower

 For instance the line A A may be twelve feet but the line B B (the floor) only three feet.

Then three fourths of the boat is machinery and the far and jangle of it is annoying. The vibration is very great. The

boat is only fit for short trips and she is too clumsy for that.

We have tried to get a boat that should be both a bay boat and

and an ocean boat her. and I guess that is impossible; we at least

have unfortunately got one that is neither one thing or the other.

I shall sell the affair if I can ~~it~~ and set aside the money until

we can afford to add to it sufficiently to get a little boat for the bay and a large one for outside.

We all think we can sell her. She is certainly the fastest racing machine ever built in America

and there are lots of people here who can afford to have just that in about

I will write you again shortly. If I were a few years younger I would cry a little over this blooming boat. I had expected such an awfully good time.

Why dont you say how  
you are when you write,  
I am all well but not  
quite as fat as I was  
the heat having melted  
me a little

Your affectionate son  
W. R. Hearst.

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Mrs. George Hearst  
The California Hotel  
San Francisco.

[ca. July 26, 1841]

Dear Mama; I guess  
I have seen every news-  
paperman in New York  
I had a long talk with  
Cokerill. He wants  
me to come in pretty  
bad I think. He hasn't  
enough ~~the~~ money to  
make his paper go  
I am afraid and he  
will have to take in  
somebody, - I suppose  
he would prefer a  
newspaper man  
and so suggested the  
partnership & m---  
I shall have another  
talk with him and  
learn about how much  
he needs and when  
he needs it.  
I really don't care  
as much for a one  
cent paper as for a  
two or three cent paper.  
so I am not crazy  
to go in with him.  
I think there is another  
way to get into New York

perhaps even better  
than through Mr Cokerile  
We will talk it over  
some time.

The Recorder is another  
new paper managed  
by Turner formerly the  
business man of the  
world. I don't like it  
much.

I dined with Balland  
Smith the other night  
and we talked newspaper  
till our noses blacked  
in the face. He is now

in full charge of the  
World since Cokerile  
and Turner left. He  
says Pulitza is going  
to give him an interest  
in the paper.

It has been very hot  
and I have lost eight  
pounds perspiring during  
the day and monkeying  
around newspapers at  
night. I am going up to  
see the boat tomorrow.  
I haven't had time to attend  
to it at all. I will write  
you all about it later.  
I hope your camping did  
you lots of good and you are  
quite well now. Your affectionate son



Mrs. George Hearst  
The California Hotel  
San Francisco.

[ca. Aug. 17, 1891]

Dear Mother; The hot weather is over and no damage done, as I telegraphed you in fact. Hruschoff is still hesitating about the boat. You see the blooming thing can make twenty eight miles an hour and he thinks he is entitled to \$12000 bonus therefore, but we claim that every thing was sacrificed to speed and that there ~~there~~ was no proper ~~side~~ regard for strength and durability. We have therefore agreed to take the boat and pay only the sixty five thousand dollars, - and the rest I, that in notes, hoping to be able to sell the thing before the notes mature. I guess Hruschoff will

Mrs. George Hearst  
Chas. Minnie & Son  
Merced Block  
San Francisco Cal.  
Hotel del Monte  
Monterey, Cal.





accept that proposition. It's all  
he will get anyhow, and he would  
get that if we had not already  
paid him so much on account.  
The boat is surely the fastest thing  
ever turned out and if there  
is anybody who can afford to  
have a boat for speed merely  
he will buy this one sure.

I want to talk to you about  
the Anaconda. Don't let Haggin  
sell it. A protest from you  
would probably prevent the  
sale. The buyers would see a  
lawsuit behind the purchase  
and would refrain I think.

There is a great future for the  
Anaconda. I am not going to  
be able to find any big mines  
and of course you are not. We  
are getting out of debt slowly  
but surely and my earnest  
advice is to hold on to the  
mines that Popa got and develop  
them and work them out - and  
then sell 'em if we like. I heard  
Popa say that now was not the  
time to sell the Anaconda and  
that was when he expected to get  
twenty millions for it instead  
of less than fifteen. He was willing  
to sell a little bit for ready money.  
Now I think Haggin is a thorough

old scoundrel. I believe he would pull a big mad out of this sale for himself that we would never see our share of and I repeat my earnest advice is for you to see Billy Foots explain to him that this business was done at a time when my father was not possessed of his faculties, but <sup>that it</sup> was not in accord ~~to~~ with his wishes previously expressed. That I think the power of attorney ~~is~~ terminalis with the loss of persons faculties as much as if with death. That ~~you~~ <sup>the estate</sup> is not satisfied with the sale and refuses to allow it. Foots

can then make the protest and I think the sale will be prevented. Either that or Messrs Haggin & Davis ~~can~~ and Haly can sell their interests while we retain ours. We of course refusing to subscribe to the two million dollars that goes to the Rothchilds, - and Haggin. This latter would be a delightful arrangement and would ~~rid~~ rid us of three very undesirable partners. However I don't think Mr. Haggin would be as anxious to sell under those circumstances and it would be sufficient for us to prevent the sale.

Now ~~to~~ sum up.  
I think the sale is a swindle; or at

least was compelled by the financial straits of H. & T. individually.

That under any circumstances it is most unfortunate and unwise

That a protest from us will be sufficient to prevent the sale — especially if there is any crookedness which the parties would not ~~care~~ care to submit to the risk of exposure.

I should not be at all surprised if the suspension of production the great talk of expense, the necessity of Rail road building were to deter us from any step of this <sup>kind</sup>. If that you can judge as well as I. I offer my advice in this matter

because I think the arrangement contemplated is intensely bad.

You will consult with Mr. Stimp of course. He will represent

Ultra conservatism and would rather I think sustain a million

dollar loss than a ten cent quarrel I don't think there would be any quarrel however. Everything

could be done in a very nice way and would be quite effective

I think ~~would~~ <sup>without</sup> proceeding to extremes

Be sure to see Foster. <sup>anchors</sup> Just hear his views. Telegraph me, ~~if you~~

~~purpose doing anything~~ & return if you purpose doing this.

I am all right here. Not

overcome by the heat. A little  
bit fretted over the boat and  
worried over Mr. Palmers departure.  
I have been studying with great  
care the situation here, and I  
think if Cokerill should be willing  
to let me in this winter on a reasonable  
footing we could produce a successful  
paper in an extremely short time.  
There is a great deal of gossip  
in newspaper rows about my being  
here and I meet with all sorts  
of rumors. I think the World people  
made their offers to Palmer and  
Chamberlain largely to hustle me  
off home and prevent me from  
going in with Cokerill whom  
they hate and fear. Chamberlain  
acted splendidly and Palmer, - didn't.  
Yours affectionately  
Wm. Will.

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RECEIVED at DEL MONTE, CAL 80 Aug 14 1891

Dated New York 13

To Mrs George Hearst

Not living on Hudson have not been and are not going to secured there head quarters for Boat that all sent San Francisco for propeller only cost insignificant brought back cook and

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RECEIVED at 189

Dated Stewart for yacht merely none of your friends statements contain partical truth wish fate of Anamis and saphira were not common, Among your friends Mrs Kucaid probably be able survivor  
W R Hearst

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RECEIVED at San Francisco Nov 2 1891

Dated San Francisco Calif 2  
 To Mrs. Geo Hearst 1400 New Hampshire ave  
 Weather raining and cold and I have rheumatism a little so have not gone grandmas yet will go as soon as weather improves have written them I am getting better and fatter fast will be all right soon.  
 W R Hearst

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RECEIVED at 1114 Corn Ave Dec 1 1891

Dated San Francisco 1  
 To Mrs George Hearst  
1400 N St Ave  
 Have no idea of coming east am feeling bully at last and am so well satisfied with cala.  
 W. R. Hearst

6:23

HEARST, WILLIAM RANDOLPH

1892

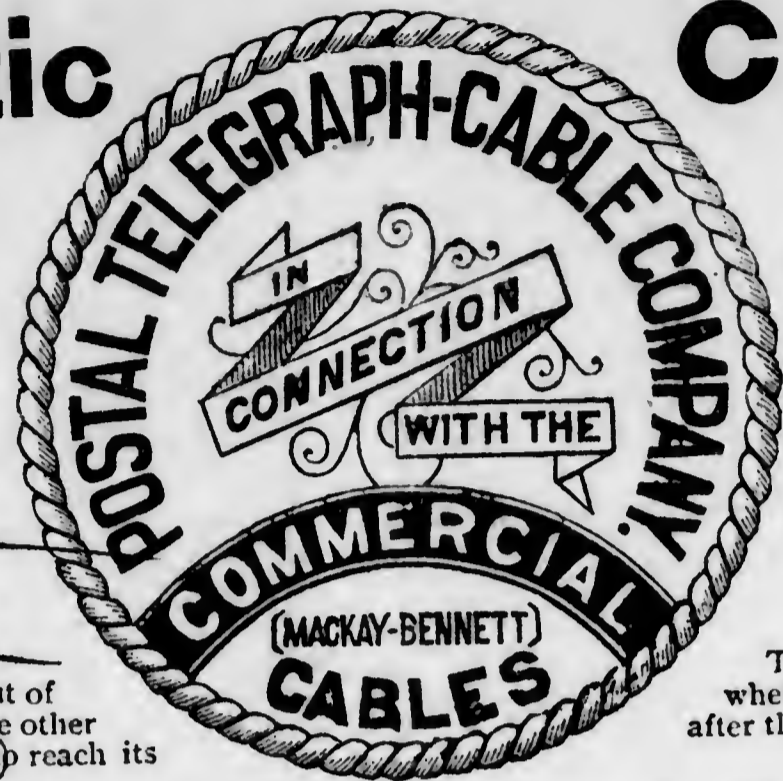
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Form 72.

# Trans-Atlantic Cablegram.

To guard against mistakes on the lines of this Company, the sender of every message should order it repeated, that is, telegraphed back from the terminus of said lines to the Originating Office. For such repeating the sender will be charged in addition one half the usual tolls of this Company, on that portion of its lines over which such message passes.

This Company will not assume any responsibility in respect to any message beyond the terminus of its own lines; and it is agreed between the sender of the following message and this Company, that said Company shall not be liable for mistakes or delays in transmission or delivery, or for non-delivery to the next connecting Telegraph Company, of any unrepeat- ed message, beyond the amount of that portion of the charge which may or shall accrue to this Company, out of the amount received from the sender for this and the other Companies by whose lines such message may pass to reach its



destination: and that this Company shall not be liable for mistakes in the transmission or delivery, or for non-delivery to the next connecting Telegraph Company, of any repeated message, beyond fifty times the extra sum received by this Company from the sender for repeating such message over its own lines; and that this Company shall not be liable in any case for delays arising from interruption in the working of its lines, nor for errors in cipher or obscure messages, or caused by indistinct writing. And this Company is hereby made the agent of the sender, without liability, to forward any message over the lines of any other Company necessary to reach its destination.

This Company is not to be liable for damages in any case where the claim is not presented in writing within sixty days after the sending of the message.

W. R. Hearst - Cable

(Trans-Atlantic Cablegram)

May 17th 92.

From Paris  
To Mrs. George Hearst,  
Washington.

Bought Reynolds seven thousand fine  
portrait historic person doubly  
valuable Please write no letters  
nothing

Will.

May 17th 92. 135PM

Received the following Cablegram, via Commercial Cables, subject to the above terms and conditions, which are agreed to.

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Washington.

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valuable please write no letters nothing

Will.





**BADEN & KUR-ANSTALTEN**  
**RAGATZ-PAEFERS**  
 GRAND HOTEL  
 HOF RAGATZ

Ragatz, August 6 1892

(about Domremy)  
 Joan of Arc

Aug 6 - 1892

Dear Mama: I said briefly in a telegram that I had been to Nancy and Domremy and had got some photographs at last. Nancy I suppose you know perfectly well but Domremy is an out of the way place little visited and I don't imagine you have ever seen it. It is the birthplace of Joan of Arc. I saw the cottage where she was born - a quaint but not a picturesque old building. Over the door as you enter is a figure of the maid in armor kneeling at prayer. I refuse to believe that it is in the slightest degree a portrait although it has been there was put there in the time of Louis XI not so very long after her death. On either side of the door are the arms of France and those granted Joan of Arc and her family. Joan of Arc's arms are much like the arms of France but instead of ~~two~~ three fleurs de lis there are two, the place of the third fleur de lis being taken by a dagger or sword. Inside

the cottage there is but little of interest ~~except~~  
except an old and spacious fire place  
the smoke blackened sides of which have  
been carefully covered with a coat of  
fresh new whitewash. One could imagine  
Joan dreaming before that fire place and  
seeing in the dying coals the first form  
of the visions calling her to rescue France  
if it were not for the whitewash. The  
whitewash covers the poetic past with  
a practical nineteenth century coating  
that the imagination may not penetrate.  
After leaving the cottage I made my little  
pilgrimage to the woods where Joan first  
heard her "voices". On my way I speculated  
on the probability of <sup>the authorities</sup> ~~the~~ having whitewashed  
the woods. To do them full justice they  
had not. They had however erected crosses  
here and there as if Joan had marked on  
the ground with her toe the exact spots  
on which she stood when the voices  
addressed her. It rather seemed to me  
that the lack of Edison phonographs  
concealed in the crosses and giving  
accurate imitations of the Arch Angel  
and the minor angels was seriously felt  
but perhaps the statue of snow being  
erected of Joan listening to the Arch Angel  
as he stands elaborately attired in gilt  
and addressing her will fill the void  
fairly well.

I got some good photographs anyhow

and I must say that the crosses look  
much better in them than just plain  
woods that might be anywhere would  
appear. I got some good pictures of the  
cottage and of the streets of Domremy too  
and one interesting ~~one~~ of ~~the~~ <sup>one</sup> of Joan's monuments  
in the park with an old chap who is  
mad on the subject of Joan's burning  
sitting in the foreground and mourning.  
I had lovely weather at Nancy and at  
Domremy but since then the same old  
rainstorm has got upon my track and  
is camping there.

Ragatz where I write from is a small  
place in Switzerland with mighty good  
scenery but mighty bad weather.

I am quite well. How are you?  
My regards to everybody - excepting Miss  
Bazard. To her my "kind remembrances"  
Your affectionate son  
Will.

(W.R.Hearst - 1892)

Domremy &  
Joan of Arc.

Ragatz, August 6, 1892

Dear Mama:

I said briefly in a telegram that I had been to Nancy and Domremy and had got some photographs at last. Nancy I suppose you know perfectly well but Domremy is an out of the way place, little visited and I don't imagine you have ever seen it. It is the birthplace of Joan of Arc. I saw the cottage where she was born, - a quaint but not a picturesque old building. Over the door as you enter is a figure of the maid in armor kneeling at prayer. I refuse to believe that it is in the slightest degree a portrait although it was put there in the time of Louis XI not so very long after her death. On either side of the door are the arms of France and those granted Joan of Arc and her family. Joan of Arc's arms are much like the arms of France but instead of three fleurs de lis there are two, the place of the third fleur de lis being taken by a dagger or sword. Inside the cottage there is but little of interest except an old and spacious fire place the smoke blackened sides of which have been carefully covered with a coat of fresh new white wash. One could imagine Joan dreaming before that fire place and seeing in the dying coals the first forming of the visions calling her to rescue France -- if it weren't for the whitewash. The whitewash covers the poetic past with a practical nineteenth century coating that the imagination may not penetrate.

After leaving the cottage I made my little pilgrimage to the woods where Joan first

(W.R.Hearst : re Domremy -1892) -2

heard her "voices". On my way I speculated on the probability of the authorities having whitewashed the woods. To do them full justice they had not. They had however erected crosses here and there as if Joan had marked on the ground with her toe the exact spots on which she stood when the voices addressed her. It rather seemed to me that the lack of Edison phonographs concealed in the crosses and giving accurate imitations of the Arch Angel and the minor angels was seriously felt but perhaps the statue now being erected of Joan listening to the Arch Angel as he stands elaborately attired in gilt and addressing her will fill the void fairly well.

I got some good photographs anyhow and I must say that the crosses look much better in them than just plain woods that might be anywhere would appear. I got some good pictures of the cottage and of the streets of Domremy too and one interesting one of Joan's monument in the park with an old chap who is mad on the subject of Joan's burning and sitting in the foreground and mourning.

I had lovely weather at Nancy and at Domremy but since then the same old rainstorm has got upon my track and is camping there.

Ragatz where I write from is a small place in Switzerland with mighty good scenery but mighty bad weather.

I am quite well. How are you? My regards to everybody, - excepting Miss Bayard. To her my "kind remembrances".

Your affectionate son

Will

GRAND HÔTEL DE LA PAIX, GENÈVE.



FRÉD. WEBER, PROPRIÉTAIRE.

Genève, le 1892

Dear Mother, I am just about  
to start for Martigny and  
over the Great St Bernard.  
It has been raining for two  
days but is clear and fine  
today. I am hoping to get a  
telegram from Palmer before  
I go. If I do I will send it  
to you.

I have been sitting at this  
desk about fourteen hours.  
Read all my letters, answered  
seven, read three weeks Examiner  
down to the ads, mailed clippings  
and comments to the office and

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dollars worth of cables.

I will turn up at Munich  
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my trip. I will be alone and  
will give Orrin all the time he  
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Enclosed is a letter for  
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Your affectionate son.

(W. R. Hearst - 1892)

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necessary my connection with  
this scheme of Wedderburns.

I think we shall have Wedded  
settled soon now though. I have  
much confidence in Palmer  
and he will not stand any  
money business.

I got a short letter from  
Orin

The paper is doing well the  
only thing I have to worry about  
is that Mr Young has ordered  
a new press double the size  
of our new one. I learn this  
by telegraph and have wired  
for further particulars. Whatever  
may be the matter I will not involve  
you in any further expense for a larger  
press. May make some time arrangement  
which we can get as big a one. Yours, loving son.



Genève, le Aug. 26 1892

Albin Mörner; I have been doing  
the Alpine passes. They are little  
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features of Switzerland as it is  
possible to get.

I have just arrived at Geneva

which is the only big town I have seen for miles. I shall leave tomorrow as the time remaining when it is possible to cross the passes comfortably is short.

I got a lot of letters here. Many from you and many from home. I wish you would not worry about me. I have been in the wilderness practically.

I arrived at Ragatz late one night and left early next ~~day~~ <sup>after short and solitary climb up the gorge.</sup> day. I have already had the cholera and it did not bother me at all. I kept my room for a few days, out of caution chiefly, and wore flannel bands until I was quite well. I do not find the cholera any more

serious than the mollygubs with which I am as you know well acquainted.

I am in the open air all day long and am getting healthy and brown. I don't think any amount of medicine could have done me as much good as this trip has done. I shall be very bit for my portrait. Palmer went East on the twentieth prepared to clear up all unfinished business and I think he will do it satisfactorily.

Wedderburn went on with his county newspaper scheme without my consent, used my name as an advertisement and then tried to get Parsons as my representative to sign contracts which I had never seen. I consider Wedderburn



(W.R.Hearst-Geneva, 1892)

Grand Hotel de la Paix  
Geneve

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Your loving son.

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trying to hide itself from the  
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with sand as they do over  
here by simply holding it  
up to the summer breezes.

Now I'm tired going south  
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the weather but I know I can't  
fix it. I see there were ninety  
thousand immigrants to America  
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I wish there had been ninety  
thousand and one and that  
one had been your affectionate son  
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Hôtel de la Grotte Bleue

CAPRI — Marina Grande

tenu par P. Mazzola

Dear Mother; When you see  
this artistic writing paper and  
note the address you will probably  
think of me sitting out on the  
terrace under an awning fanning  
myself and vainly trying to keep  
cool in spite of very hot weather.  
Not so, alas not so. Something  
has happened to the weather in  
these parts. Somebody has been  
monkeying with the machine.

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I staid in the Wagon and watched it rain hail and snow in the gardens of the Tuileries until I longed for change and then I struck out for Nice - just for a few days until the weather cleared at Paris. At Nice it didn't snow - but it rained and hailed so I went to Genoa and

then to Florence where it hailed and rained continually. There I met Mr. Russell. He had come over here for his health and had been laid up with rheumatism pneumonia, catarrh bronchitis neuralgia grippe and influenza ever since. He was still hunting for health and was headed south. We took the train for Rome. At Rome we got out of the snow and hail belt but it rained with all the regularity and persistence it had displayed in Paris. Russell gave up and went to bed sick and I came to Naples. At Naples it is cold windy and wet at Capri ditto. Nobody can go into the blue grotto today on account of the storm, but then everybody feels blue enough anyhow without going out blue grotto. What we want is a nice pink grotto or something cheerful from where I sit the sea looks like a washing board, the sky

(W.R.Hearst, Capri, 1892?)

Hotel de la Grotte Eleue  
Capri - Marina Grande

Dear Mother:

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Your affectionate son

Will.

1925

Nr. ....

R. B. Telegraphenstation München

# Telegramm.

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Abgefertigt 2/11/1892 Uhr 3/10 Min. 11/10 Mittg.

Nr. .... B. ....



den 1892 / 1892 Uhr 11/10 Min. 11/10 Mittg.

MUNICH ZUERICH 566 57 12 18 N .+

HAVE DRIFTED TO ZURICH WHERE IT MAINS ALL THE TIME . HAD FINE WEATHER THOUGH AT NANCY AND DOMREMY JOAN OF ARCS BIRTHPLACE .

GOT FINE PICTURES . THEY WILL PLEASE MISS BAYARD . HAVE TELEGRAPHED AND WRITTEN PARSONS AND PALMER AND YOU . AM WELL BUT DISGUSTED WITH EUROPE .+ HEARST .+ ADMIS 56 M .+

(W.R.Hearst - Telegram) 1892

Munich Zuerich 57 12 18 N

Mrs. Hearst  
care Mrs. H. Peck,  
9 Arcis Strasse  
Munich

Have drifted to Zurich where it mains all the time. Had fine weather though at Nancy and Domremy Joan of Arcs birthplace. Got fine pictures. They will please Miss Bayard. Have telegraphed and written Parsons and Palmer and you. Am well but disgusted with Europe.

Hearst. - Admis 56 M.

ST. LOUIS, MO.  
SEP 12 1925

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1925 **Telegramm**

MRS. HEARST CARE MRS. H. PECK  
9 ARCS STRASSE MUNICH

W.R.H.



Nr. ....

K. S. Telegraphenstation München

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Telegramm.

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At martigny eleven days waiting  
to go up saint Bernard  
stopped snowed and raised perfect  
no could go up. Nipped  
best pass. Will send my  
frank Munich from here and  
follow after crossing saint  
Gothard and back. Did some  
good at martigny, settled wedder  
burn and remington. Dont

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K. S. Telegraphenstation München

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worry about me. I have  
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ST. LOUIS

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(W.R.Hearst - Telegram)

Luzern ..... 1892

Mrs. George Hearst  
care Mrs. H. Peck  
9 Arcis Strasse, Munich

At Martigny eleven days waiting to go up  
Saint Bernard. Stormed, snowed and raised  
perfect ned, couldn't go up. Missed best  
pass. Will send my trunk Munich from here  
and follow after crossing Saint Gothard  
and back. Did some good at Martigny, settled  
Wedderburn and Remington. Don't worry about  
me. I have no bad luck except with pictures.  
Am not making ascents in snowstorms. Two  
travelers frozen death on Mont Blanc. None  
of that for Uncle Willy.

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K. B. Telegraphenstation München

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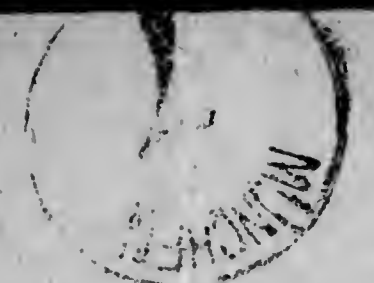
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Wttg.



Coming immediately went over to Gothard  
 in soaking rain took two days to dry  
 out. Tiled catch cold was too mad  
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 bernard was afraid you would get mad if  
 you knew i was still at martigny and  
 didnt like to leave without seeing pass  
 that was reason i didnt write didnt ima-  
 gine you would worry so awful sorry

Will



925 Telegramm.

Mrs. George Hearst  
care Mrs. H. Peck  
Munich, Bavaria.

(W.R.Hearst - Telegram)

Thuis .....1892

Mrs. George Hearst  
care Mrs. H. Peck  
Munich, Bavaria.

Coming immediately. Went over St. Gothard  
in soaking rain took two days to dry out.  
Didn't catch cold, was too mad I guess.  
Sorry you worried so about St Bernard. Was  
afraid you would get mad if you knew I was  
still at Martigny and didn't like to leave  
without seeing pass. That was reason I  
didn't write. Didn't imagine you would  
worry so awful. Sorry.

Will.

Nr. 86

K. B. Telegraphenstation Rothenburg

Telegramm.

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*Mme Phebe Hearst Hotel*

*Hirsch*

*Rothenburg*

*Send wedderburns cheque now  
palmer to be delivered when  
arrangement concluded palmer's  
address care isaac allen pulitzer  
building Newyork am well had  
slight cold will Telegramm repeated  
by jutch*

(W.R.Hearst - Telegram) - 1892

Munchen.

Mme Phebe Hearst,  
Hotel Hirsch  
Rothenburg.

Send Wedderburn's cheque now. Palmer to  
be delivered when arrangement concluded  
Palmer's address care Isaac Allen, Pulitzer  
Building, New York. Am well had slight  
cold.

Will

(Telegram accepted by Jutch.)

6:24

HEARST, WILLIAM RANDOLPH

1893

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[Incomplete]

Dear Mummer:-

We have been making up for the two days privation on the stage by eating and sleeping ever since we arrived, and, as a result I am in such a comatose condition that there isn't the faintest glimmer of an idea to illumine the Egyptian darkness of my mind.

I will not describe our journey for, like Aeneas, it gives me



To recall so sad a tale.

Moreover I doubt if a history of sleepless nights and sweltering days illustrated with scenes from barren supper tables all seen through a film of alkali dust would prove very entertaining. Such however is the voracious history of the past and such the picture that looms up awful in the near future.

Pierre is the terminus of the rail road and it is the most melancholy example of great ex-

pectations, unfulfilled, that I have ever seen.

It answers very readily to Aldrich's description of a frontier town that looks like a compact village from a distance but as you enter it unravels and disappears.

The principal hotel is far enough off from the center of the town to be appropriate as a summer resort and perhaps the only objection to its being used as such is the utter dearth of pleasure seekers in this part of the country.

In point of distance  
and solitude - perhaps  
desolation would be  
a better word - the hotels  
answer all requirements

Most of the public  
buildings are situated  
on 110<sup>th</sup> street which  
is about two miles  
from the town and  
would seem, & those  
unacquainted with  
the customs of this  
part of the country, &  
constitute a separate  
and perhaps nice  
village. But any  
such impressions  
are quickly dispelled  
by the enthusiastic

of the prairie. Admiring  
the square brick houses  
as models of architect  
ure.

As a matter of fact  
Pierre has been living  
on expectations and  
hope deferred ever  
since its foundation  
and

We left Pierre by stage  
Tuesday <sup>morning</sup> and arrived  
in Deadwood Thursday  
night <sup>after</sup> in time for  
the clean up which  
did not begin till  
Sunday. The operation  
of cleaning up does  
not occupy much

citizen who ~~points~~<sup>claims</sup> with pride to these melancholy wrecks of anticipated greatness and sees in their finger posts to the glory that is to come - alas! so long in coming. At the <sup>of course,</sup> <sup>attraction</sup> were shown the features of the town and were duly appreciated. At the <sup>generous</sup> ~~praiseworthy~~ the width of the streets and inwardly ~~noticed~~<sup>noticed</sup> the length which was much more remarkable extending as it did unrestrained into the boundless bosom

time in itself but mining here is on such an ~~immense~~<sup>immense</sup> scale that it takes a long while to go through all the mills.

The ore, occurs here in nodules from fifty to three hundred feet wide and of an ~~known~~<sup>unknown</sup> depth and this immense amount ~~of~~ is necessary on account of the low grade.

The rock averages not more than from twelve to twenty \$ a ton

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THOS. T. ECKERT, General Manager.

NORVIN GREEN, President.

W 225 CH LA HK 8 COLLECT I X DATE  
**RECEIVED** at San Francisco, Cal.

*Collect tolls for our line.*  
JAN 6 1893

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Dated

NAPLES VIA WASHINGTON DC 6

To

MRS GEORGE HEARST ROOM 30 NINTH FLOOR MILLS BLDG

SANFRAN CALIF.

OMITTED LOWER EGYPT HOME JOOU WRITE

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**RECEIVED** at Corcoran Bldg., S. E. Cor. 15th & F Sts., Washington, D. C.

*Feb 22 1893*

Dated

*New York 22*

To

*Mrs George Hearst  
1400 M St Ave  
Washn*

*Have had slight cold will  
come Washington Friday with Lawyer  
think wedderbitn all right  
- will -*

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| 98     | W. R. Hearst | W. R. Hearst |       |

RECEIVED at 1114 CONN AVENUE, Mich 26 1893

Dated San Salito Calif 26

To Mrs Phebe Hearst  
1400 N. St. Ave

Was in  
I have things straightened out pretty well found them in a pretty mess wrote you yesterday glorious climate too wet for

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Dated Comfort health good though I

To Guess we have Wedderburn attending  
to Business at last am

beginning to think I am pretty good Manager myself how are you feeling?  
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1114 CONN AVENUE, 2001 3/28 1893

RECEIVED at \_\_\_\_\_

Dated San Salito Calif 28

To Mrs Phoebe Hearst  
1400 N 16 ave

sent you a telegram from  
abroad to Santa Barbara asking you  
to kindly pay stumps present  
at shroves and five hundred  
dollars more of a nonpersonal

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1114 CONN AVENUE., 189

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Dated nature. did you get it.

To I go to Grandfathers this  
morning. Couldnt go before been  
raining all the time was  
too busy anyhow  
w R Hearst

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| 107    | On Ma 23 | JH       |       |

RECEIVED at 1114 CONN AVENUE... 726 Mel 1893

Dated San Francisco Calif 30

To Mrs Phebe Hearst

1400 N H ave

Grand mother and Grandfather

both very well indeed you would

be surprised and delighted had

Nice visit am going town again to Grandfather's birthday W & Hearst

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| 109    | On Ma 14 | JH       |       |

RECEIVED at 1114 CONN AVENUE... 871 P Mel 3 1893

Dated San Francisco Calif 30

To Mrs Phebe Hearst 1400 N H ave

Nonsense of course you can

have the Ramseye all the

time if you like.

W R Hearst

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| 117    | W. R. Hearst |          |       |

RECEIVED at 1114 CONN AVENUE., Wash 31 1893

Dated San Francisco Calif 31

To Mrs Phelps Hearst  
1400 N H Ave

Wash DC  
I have sunned palmer until he advanced the money pending my return will you wire Drumm Pungle. W. R. Hearst

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RECEIVED at 1114 CONN AVENUE., April 6 1893

Dated San Francisco Cal 6

To Mrs Phelps Hearst  
1400 N H Ave. W.D.C

telegraph how you are feeling whether well now, grand father has birthday dinner Sunday am going down  
W R Hearst



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RECEIVED at Auditorium Hotel. 6/9 1893

Dated San Francisco

To Mrs P A Hearst Anat

Received following from McCulloh answering inquiry how best to act if you have fully determined to close business think can be done either by assignment your interests to mother and action her name or by

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RECEIVED at Auditorium Hotel. 1893

Dated

To

sent your name for dissolution would however recommend for consideration advisability of putting competent representative in Bureau to ascertain exact status and contingencies before beginning suit or taking other overt action allan m culloh  
W.R. Hearst

(W.R.Hearst - Telegram)

Dated Naples via Washington DC  
Jan 6 1893

Mrs. George Hearst  
Room 30 Ninth Floor Mills Bldg  
San Fran Calif.

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(W.R.Hearst - Telegram)

Dated New York Feb 22 1893

Mrs. George Hearst  
1400 N. H. Ave.  
Washn

Have had slight cold. Will come Washington  
Friday with lawyer. Think Wedderbun all  
right.

Will

(W. R. Hearst - Telegram)

Sausalito, Calif. Mch 26 1893

Mrs. Phebe Hearst  
1400 N. H. Ave  
Washn

Have things straightened out pretty well  
Found them in a pretty mess. Wrote you  
yesterday. Glorious climate too wet for  
comfort. Health good though. I guess we  
have Wedderburn attending to business at  
last. Am beginning to think I am pretty  
good manager myself. How are you  
feeling.

W. R. Hearst.

(W. R. Hearst - Telegram)

Sausalito, Calif 3/28 1893

Mrs. Phebe Hearst  
1400 N. H. Ave

Sent you a telegram from abroad to Santa  
Barbara asking you to kindly pay Stump's  
present at Shreve's and five hundred  
dollars more of a non personal nature.  
Did you get it. I go to Grandfather's  
this morning. Couldnt go before been  
raining all the time was too busy anyhow.

W. R. Hearst

(W. R. Hearst - Telegram)

San Francisco Calif Mch 30 1893

Mrs. Phebe Hearst  
1400 N. H. Ave.

Nonsense. Of course you can have the  
Vamoose all t he time if you like

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(W.R.Hearst - Telegram)

San Francisco Calif Mch 31 1893

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(W.R.Hearst - Telegram)

San Francisco Cal April 6 1893

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W.-D.C.

Telegraph how you are feeling, whether  
well now. Grandfather has birthday dinner  
Sunday. Am going down.

W. R. Hearst

(W.R.Hearst-Telegram)

San Francisco 6/9 1893

Mrs. P. A. Hearst  
Audt (Auditorium Hotel)

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inquiry how best to act if you have fully  
determined to close business think can be  
done either by assignment your interests to  
mother and action her name or by suit your  
name for dissolution would however recommend  
for consideration advisability of putting  
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beginning suit or taking other overt action  
Allan McCulloh.

W. R. Hearst.

To take up these because  
in order. First I think  
I might properly have  
now what was doubtless  
too much for me three  
years ago.

Secondly, I should be  
very happy to be relieved  
of the inconvenience of  
dealing with Stump on  
an indefinite basis. As  
long as I come to ask him  
for extra thousand dollars  
here and there, he will treat  
me as a child asking ten  
cents for soda water. "Can't  
you get along with five cents?"

[1893]

46 Matthews,  
Cambridge, Mass.

W. R. S.

Dear Mother:

The expenses  
of establishing ourselves  
in our new office have  
now pretty much all been  
incurred. They are going  
to amount to the pleasing  
sum of thirty thousand  
dollars. Of course the  
advantages are not at all  
commensurate, but there

is no use talking about the unavoidable annoyance that; the thing has been done and will have to be paid for.

The times are dull, and the Examiner is doing badly, so that with this thirty thousand to be paid and the thirty six thousand of Remingtons and some other minor indebtedness there is a most disheartening prospect confronting me.

Because of this, because of my now being thirty years old, because of

the unavoidable annoyance of my present dealings with Mr. Stump, because of a plan that I have in mind and because of the fact that the request I make would not amount to an increase of my salary so much as a change of the manner of delivering it, I beg of you to instruct Mr. Stump to put to my credit at any bank on the first of each month a definite sum of \$2500

with that arrangement  
and will not demand  
or desire any extra money.  
I will not ~~be~~ asking  
you for a thousand  
dollars on Christmas  
a thousand on my  
birthday a thousand  
for Bell a thousand  
for Shreve a few  
thousand ~~thousand~~  
~~thousand~~ now and  
then for unforeseen  
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W<sup>m</sup> P<sup>r</sup>st  
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"Well come around next  
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to you about it."  
There is mixed with  
this parental patronage  
an air of business mistrust-  
fulness such as you  
might meet at a bank  
where you were over-  
drawing your account.



This is annoying but it is unavoidable I think under the present system.

Thirdly the plan I have in mind is a mighty good one and deserving of a little encouragement.

It is to get something laid away, and to get into the habit of laying something away.

Now positively I will, from the moment this new arrangement goes into effect, lay aside,

not to spend but to invest one half of all income from the paper, the ranch and all property that I may have or acquire. Reports

of my business can go through Mr. Stramp's hands and my books will be at his command so that he can see that

I am faithfully carrying out any part of the plan.

Fourthly, and importantly, I shall feel satisfied

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W. R. H.  
I get along with that  
amount and will without  
any requests for extra money.  
Consequently the amount  
paid me by the end of the  
year will not be greater  
than it is now, but the  
manner of paying it  
will I think be much  
improved.

You have always  
been most kind  
and generous to me

and have given me  
extra money whenever  
I asked for it but  
don't you think it would  
be better for me if I didn't  
ask for it so often, - if  
I were put now on a  
more independent and  
manly footing

My love to you, and  
my Regards to Miss A.  
Apperson who is getting  
a big girl now.

Your affectionate Son  
Will.

(W. R. Hearst - 1893?)

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Fourthly, and importantly, I shall feel satisfied with that arrangement and will not demand or desire any extra money. I will not be asking you for a thousand dollars on Christmas, a thousand on my birthday, a thousand for Bell, a thousand for Shreve, a few thousand now and then for unforeseen expenses. I give you my word to this. I can get along with that amount and will without any requests for extra money.

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A. Apperson who is getting a big girl now.

Your affectionate son

Will.

1893?

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No doubt the new office is more roomy and better arranged than the old one but the expense incurred in fitting it up and in moving will handicap the paper for a long time to come.

Mr Young put in his  
big quadruple press  
yesterday, and the Call  
is setting up its quadruple.  
I wish we had put our  
moving money into a  
quadruple press; I think  
it would have been better  
business.

Well there is no use  
of my loading any  
worries on you. I  
know you have more  
than enough of your  
own.

Jack has gone East  
You will doubtless  
have seen him before  
you get this letter.

While he was here he  
gave a breakfast  
& his friends, and his  
friends gave a dinner  
to him. I attended both  
of these entertainments  
and had a very good  
time. On these two occasions  
Jack drank but on  
no others, and he has  
sworn a swear-off with

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of possible purchasers  
before she could possibly  
be sold; so I had this done  
as cheaply as possible.  
I think I can sell her  
this summer and will  
then pay back the cost  
of fitting her up.  
Grandma and Grandpa  
are pretty well, though  
Grandma still has  
some trouble with those  
kines. I advised her  
to go to Pass Robles Mont  
you think you had

better write her about  
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and the baths would  
do her a lot of good  
I think. I am going  
down ~~there~~ to Grandpa  
next Sunday to give  
them a lantern show  
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invited the neighborhood  
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Your affectionate son

Will

6:25

HEARST, WILLIAM RANDOLPH

1894

72/204  
c

about 1894?

The Examiner  
San Francisco

Dear Mama,

Poor little Noble has gone to the ranch for a week or two to try to forget his troubles. I was a pall bearer at the funeral. Mrs Noble was cremated. The scene in the chapel was most pathetic. Poor Kid. I'm awfully sorry for him. He was so tremendously fond of his wife and they were so very happy together! He will have to be looked after closely now or he will go wrong some way.

Old Strauss came into the office yesterday. He is not going to last long. He is very feeble and despondent.

By the way I'm writing a real jolly letter ain't I? ~~One calculated to make you think one in a most morbid mood~~ I guess I had better turn to more cheerful subjects or I'll have you in tears.

The Examiner  
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Jack and I went to Sunol last Sunday. The men up there have ploughed over all those hills and done a lot of good work, so I imagine the ranch has been considerably improved and that grass will largely take the place of weeds this spring. Schweinfurth has completed drawings for the house and I will forward them in a few days. I have had several talks with Edward. I think I shall bring him East with me when I come. What do you think?

The Call is still taking subscribers from us, but I hope to stop them soon. They have compelled me to raise the salaries of a number of good men. In fact Spuckler and his old paper are a nuisance and I wish they had kept out of the business. I am particularly annoyed at meetings this opposition just now as I hope soon to get my New York paper.

(W.R. Hearst - about 1894?)

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number of good men. In fact Spreckels and his old paper are a d--- nuisance and I wish they had kept out of the business. I am particularly annoyed at meeting this opposition just now as I hope soon to get my New York paper

1894?

The Examiner  
San Francisco

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to take a systematic treatment  
I can't afford to let this continue  
longer.

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The Examiner  
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Don't worry about my sickness. Of course it can be cured if I only will bring myself to take a regular course of treatment.

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Wish I could have seen Mrs Anthony. I hope I will be on this winter while she is in Washington.

Well good night. I am going to try to cultivate the habit of writing. It's more trouble for me to begin a letter than to start a newspaper.

Procrastination is the mother of invention and I must get over it.  
Affectionately Will.

While things still  
in charge



(W.R.Hearst - 1894?)

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I am going down to Grandpas for Thanksgiving. Tomorrow morning I am going with Edward to see the burial plot across the bay. I think we should offer ten thousand dollars

which will probably be accepted.

The paper is doing pretty well but got into some difficulties with the Catholics on account of printing the meetings of the A.P.A.

We did nothing more than any paper which pretended to give the news would have done but the Catholics took offense and the priests have been trying to make them stop their papers. It is to the credit of the intelligence of the Catholics that they have not done so in any large numbers. The A.P.A. held meetings at the Pavilion ~~at~~ which ten to twelve thousand people attended and naturally we mentioned the fact and will continue to do so.

I enclose a carriers slip showing how the stops come in. Some people say right out that they stop because of our A.P.A. news. Others put it on different grounds for the reason, I hope, that they are more or less ashamed of themselves. I have no doubt the whole thing, ~~but~~ will blow over, but whether it does or not we will continue to print the news.

I am much obliged for the present of a pair of horses. The coach will require a farm in hand and I will write East for one paying for one pair myself and charging the other to you. I thought best not to buy

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and New York and if I have the ability in London too. I am beginning to get old and if this great plan is to be carried out I have no time to lose, and I am going to devote myself to business, first putting the Examiner on so satisfactory a basis that it will get along without much attention from me and will produce enough to enable me to buy my first paper elsewhere.

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(W.R.Hearst - Telegram)

Mountain View, Cal. Nov. 30, 1894

Mrs. P. A. Hearst  
1400 New Hampshire Ave  
Washn

Spent Thanksgiving Grandpa's. Ate whole  
turkey and eleven apple dumplings. All  
want to know whether Annie brought back  
a prince.

W. R. Hearst

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Mountain View Calif 30 1894

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Sept. 8 1894

Dated San Francisco Calif

To Mrs Phoebe A Hearst

1400 N H ave Washn

Dont think Stump made any arrangement  
with Thayer am annoyed arent you

W R Hearst

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(W.R.Hearst - Telegram)

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RECEIVED at The Waldorf Cal 11 1894

Dated San Fran Cal 11 Washn 8

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(W. R. Hearst - Telegram)

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RECEIVED at The Waldorf. 10/12 1894

Dated San Francisco Cal

To Mrs P A Hearst

Everything going smoothly now. Had just  
comfortably started on my sitting when we even get  
huffy & rained so had to come back will finish trip later.  
Am going to write an air. Glad you had such nice time. I  
remember Smith he's a good fellow Give my love to Mrs Anthony.  
Will write you should have done so before but have been busy  
& bathed  
W R Hearst

(W.R. Hearst - Telegram)

San Francisco Cal 10/2 1894

Mrs. P. A. Hearst  
(Received at The Waldorf)

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Dated

To

Nov. 8 1894

San Francisco Calif

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1400 N H Ave Wash DC

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6:26

HEARST, WILLIAM RANDOLPH

1895

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[ca. Aug. 6, 1845]

Dear Mother,

I do not know what proportion of the Anacorde should be sold, but as soon as I get to New York, I will make all the necessary inquiries and will give you my opinion. I do not think that one third will have been sold by that time so there is no hurry.

I have been in Munich some days and have had a very delightful time. Orrin and I have lived in the Museums, exhibitions, studios, and shops and I have bought beer mugs for myself and beer mugs for presents until there are only a few left in

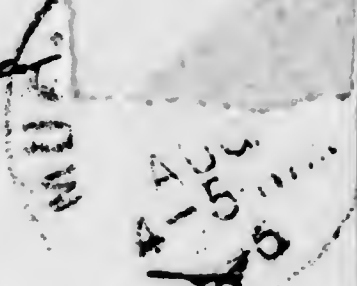
town and they are retained by the shop keepers as souvenirs.

I have postponed my sailing one week and shall go from here to London. I am glad to hear from Orrin that you are having a good trip.

Your affectionate son  
Will.



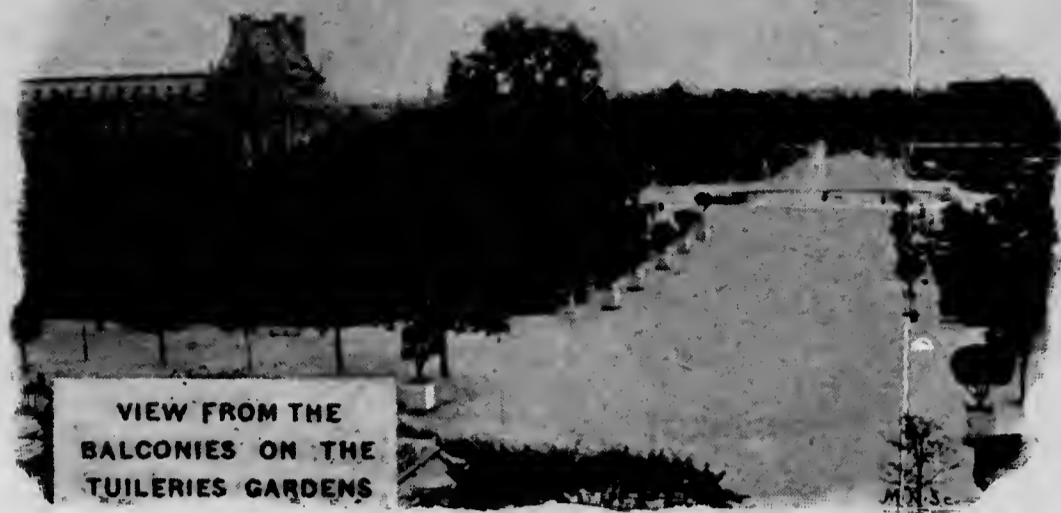
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Мис. Р. А. Акасов.  
St Petersburg Discount Bank  
30 Newsky Prospect,  
St Petersburg  
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full. I went first to the  
Palace D'Ysee Hotel and  
they charged me double  
Waldorf prices for  
nothing so I decided  
to be economical for once  
and came here. I am  
very glad I did. I like  
this hotel better anyhow  
its french. The other is  
just a big English and  
American resort mis-  
managed by a frenchman.

We had a rough trip  
as I cabled you but  
the old Kaiser behaved  
splendidly. It is a good  
boat though it does



HOTEL WAGRAM

H. CARRY, PROP<sup>r</sup>

208, Rue de Rivoli

PARIS

[1895?]

Dear Mother;

I decided to  
come to Paris as the  
weather is so foggy and  
cold. It is not fine  
by any means here  
The sun has appeared  
only once - made a  
promise of Spring and  
then faded from sight.

There are lots of people  
in town. The hotels are

vibrate "quite some". There was  
considerable motion in my ~~room~~ <sup>cabin</sup>  
George said "Shure I think you  
have the shakiest room in the house".  
He cant get away from 2<sup>nd</sup> St.

I am feeling pretty well but  
not just right. I had one of my  
favourite Cuba libre chills last  
night. In a day or two I will get  
going.

Dont work too hard and have  
some fun in the automobiles  
I have been looking around  
to get one for you here.

Give my love to Anne. I hope  
you are well and happy.

Affectumately Will.

run down day day and  
back the next and  
Meddenburn would never  
know I was on earth  
at all. If any body died  
come to the house Robert  
could lie a little - in  
fact I am convinced  
that if put to it Robert  
could lie a lot.

I hope however that  
by the time this reaches  
you, you will be all  
right again and thinking  
of coming here to New York  
and your affectionate son

The Hoffman House  
MADISON SQUARE  
NEW YORK

1895-2

Dear Mamma {  
I attended  
the directors meeting of  
The Anaconda Copper Mining  
Company today and got  
ten dollars, also some  
information and experience  
of about equal value. After  
that was over Mr. Stump  
and I had a talk rather  
more to the point. I don't  
think there is much to  
worry <sup>about</sup>. I think Mr. L +  
will claim everything on

sight in the hope of getting  
some part of it in compromise.  
I guess if we don't compromise  
we will eventually get all  
that is coming to us. I  
will write you details  
when you are better and  
able to consider them.

Jennie says she has  
sent for a real doctor  
and I am awfully glad.  
Homeopaths are fine  
when you are not sick  
but of no particular use  
when you are. I telephoned  
this afternoon and Jennie  
promised to send me

tonight an accurate statement  
of just when Dr. Peppa would  
have you up and well.  
I hope it will be within  
a day or two. Mrs. Anthony  
writes and tells me all  
the news, but she doesn't  
"give everybody away" like  
Annie does. There has  
been no reference in  
her letters to lemonade  
suppers or so I haven't  
anything to say you about  
and must consequently  
close early.

If you think it would  
cheer you up at all I could

(W.R.Hearst - from Hoffman House  
New York - 1895)

Dear Mother:

Stump received a letter from Daly today saying there was no question about Railroad belonging to Anaconda Company, and that he will forward papers to prove it, so I guess that's all right. I have been seeing Stump about every day and think I have a fair idea of the situation and I don't find anything to worry about.

I sent a telegram to Jack at Chihuahua but have received no answer. I expect he is on his way either to San Francisco or New York.

I think I shall come down to Washington Saturday night and stay over Sunday. Parsons says Wedderburn can't serve any papers on Sunday. I'll ask McCulloch if that is so and if it is I'll come.

I haven't anything cheerful to write about for this old town is miserably dull and wet and cold. I went to a picture sale the other evening, but didn't buy anything as I supposed you had a full stock on hand. There was a beautiful Innez sold for eleven hundred dollars. I think I could have got it for twelve. I wish you would let me buy your pictures for you. I would get you some Das-burys, and not pay any enormous price for them. However, as I say I suppose you have enough for the spring trade and don't need my services at present.

Don't get up too soon. Stay in bed and rest even after you feel all right. I guess

(W.R.Hearst-New York-1895)-#2

a good rest will do you as much good as medicine.

Affectionately

Will.

Memo.

"Dasburys" uncertain.

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I haven't anything cheerful to write about for this old town is miserably dull and wet and cold. I went to a picture sale the other evening, but didn't buy anything as I supposed you had a full stock on hand. There was a beautiful Innez sold for eleven hundred dollars. I think I could have got it for twelve. I wish you would let me buy your pictures for you. I would get you some Das-burys and not pay any enormous price for them. However, as I say I suppose you have enough for the spring trade and don't need my services at present.

Don't get up too soon. Stay in bed and rest even after you feel all right. I guess

(W.R.Hearst-New York-1895)-#2

a good rest will do you as much good as medicine.

Affectionately

Will.

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THOS. T. ECKERT, President and General Manager.

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*913*

NUMBER *14* SENT BY *Jm* REC'D BY *H2 paid* CHECK *913*

**RECEIVED** at Corcoran Bldg., S. E. Cor. 15th & F Sts., Washington, D. C. *Jan 19 1895*

Dated *New York 19*

To *Mrs Phoebe Apperson Hearst*  
*1400 New Hamp Ave Washn Dc*

*Leave twelve oclock tonight everybody delighted youre better going theatre tonight coulont stand opera though I hid under the bed till they had gone last night are you obeying your progeny and resting in bed If not I'll be very severe tomorrow*  
*Will*

(W.R.Hearst-Telegram)

New York, Jan. 19, 1895

Mrs. Phoebe Apperson Hearst  
1400 New Hamp Ave  
Washn, D. C.

Leave twelve oclock tonight. Everybody delighted you're better. Going theatre tonight. Couldn't stand opera though I hid under the bed till they had gone last night. Are you obeying your progeny and resting in bed. If not I'll be very severe tomorrow.

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**RECEIVED** at Corcoran Bldg., S. E. Cor. 15th & F Sts., Washington, D. C. Feb 4 1895

Dated San Francisco Calif

To Mrs P A Hearst

1400 New Hampshire Ave Washn

How are you everything right here please send dimensions of Anaconda library lot Whats money limit for country house W R Hearst

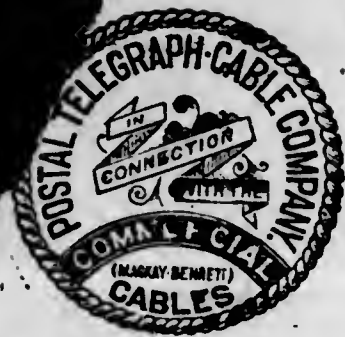
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W. R. Hearst



Form 2.—For Type Writer Use.

# TELEGRAM

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ALBERT B. CHANDLER,  
President and General Manager.

JOHN O. STEVENS,  
Secretary.

1427 F ST, N.W.

TELEPHONE CALL 458

(WHERE ANY REPLY SHOULD BE SENT.)

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**Received at**

New York Jan 16

Mrs P A Heast<sup>R</sup>, No 1400 New Hampshire Ave Washn.

Doctor ~~Pepper~~ Pepper says you're all right be up in few days  
says you need better son and better business manager thats  
all.

W R Hearst.

(W.R.Hearst - Telegram)

New York, Jan. 16, 1895

Mrs. P. A. Hearst,  
No. 1400 New Hampshire Ave  
Washn

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and better business manager, that's all.

W. R. Hearst.

1895

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K. S. Telegraphenstation München.

Telegramm.

Aufgegeben in

Paris

Nr.

7176 112 B.

den

29/6 189 11/2 M. Mittg.



Abgefertigt

29/6 189

u.

M.

Mittg

I

Just learned can't take oriental  
 Express all full car go to  
 Hamburg and meet you there  
 do you go through Cologne. Say  
 how long will north trip last  
 doctor suggest couple weeks  
 treatment and i will stay  
 here until you return and then  
 try square myself with you  
 provided you won't be

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Nr. 7176 112 B.

den 29/10 1891 u. M. Mittg.



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Telegramm

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Anw. Wien



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Abgefertigt | 189... u. M. Mtg

Nr. .... B.

den 29/6 189... u. M. Mtg.



II

gone longer than a month  
or thereabouts will that real  
the breach illness is a sequent  
of that former illness and is  
quite genuine unfort  
unately though not serious  
so no occasion to worry on  
either head address Hotel  
Wagram rue de rivoli Room  
number 24 - hope you



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K. S. Telegraphenstation München.

Telegramm.

Aufgegeben in

Abgefertigt 189 u. M. Mittg

Nr. W.

den 29/6 1895 u. M. Mittg.



II

are over your mail

Will

D 57.



Mrs Thache  
Heard Royal Norwegian  
Steamer arriving Saturday  
from Hamburg Bergen

Blanket No. 28.

Tjenstlige Bemærkninger:

Optaget fra

den 5/7 Kl. 7.45 midd.

af 7 mail

Den Norske Stats-Telegraf

Telegram fra Paris No. 16097, Ord. 63, den 5/7 1895 Kl. 5.37 midd.

Got agitated over my schemes yesterday and  
sent will telegram dont mind it but do please  
let me know if my matter can be settled  
soon and what you would like me to do hope  
you are having good time will try to keep my shirt  
on and not worry you

Will



Mrs Phoebe Hearst  
Jensen and company  
London



Blanket No. 28.

Tjenstlige Bemærkninger:

Optaget fra  
den 6/7 Kl. 6:22 midd.  
af Hansen

Den norske  Statstelegraf.

Telegram fra Paris No. 34696, Ord. 98, den 6/7 1895 Kl. 3:32 midd.

Most certainly I  
shant bother any more  
of W. R. Hearst

C<sup>S</sup> or B<sup>S</sup> M

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POST OFFICE TELEGRAPHS.

FOR INWARD FOREIGN AND COLONIAL TELEGRAMS.

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Office of Origin

L STCLOUD 408 30 5 8 15 M x

Time handed in.

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Service Instructions.

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To

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TO

EIVRS AND ALLEN 99 CANNON STREET LONDON -

PLEASE TELEGRAPH ME MY MOTHERS ADDRESS ALSO REPEAT TO HER BY TELEGRAPH

THE TELEGRAM SENT TO HER IN YOUR CARE W R HEARST +

If the accuracy of this Telegram be doubted, a part, or the whole, can be repeated under special conditions, particulars of which can be obtained on application at the office from which it was delivered.

Charges to pay.

£ s. d.

N.B.—This form must accompany any inquiry made respecting this Telegram.

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TO

MRS PHORBR HEARST CARE EIVRS AND ALLEN 99 CANNON STREET LONDON -

DID YOU TELEGRAPH EDWARD AND IS THAT MATTER FINALLY SETTLED ?

IF NOT FOR GODS SAKE PLEASE DO . THIS UNCERTAINLY IS ABSOLUTELY DISTRACTING IF MATTER ATTENDED TO TELEGRAPH ME WHAT YOU WANT ME TO DO

WETHER TO STAY OVER HERE OR GO HOME AND ATTEND TO THE BUSINESS - W R HEARST

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| At<br>H. R. Hearst                              |                       | To                    | 850   |
| By<br>H. R. Hearst                              |                       | By                    |   |

**TO** EIVRS AND ALLEN 99 CANNON STREET LONDON -  
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| By                     |                       | By                    |        |                 |  |

TO

MRS P A HEARST CARE EVINES AND ALLEN 99 CANNON STREET LONDON = WHY DONT  
 YOU COME PARIS WAGRAM PEOPLE SAID YOU WOULD HE HERE YESTERDAY I HAVENT  
 MUCH TIME DO YOU INTEND BUYING AT SPITZER THE SUITS OF ARMOR ARE BEST  
 THEY SELL FROM FIVE TO TWENTY FINE THOUSAND DOLLARS CAN YOU AFFORD  
 ONE ANSWER WAGRAM = HEARST

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ИЗЪ

Телеграмма №

Принята съ апарата

№ 22 / Со станица

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P DE MLENCHEN 5437 11 10/8/95 9 S =

LEAVE MUNICH FOR PARIS MONDAY = WILL .+

№ росписки.

ТЕЛЕГРАММА.

*Клещ 30*

HEARST PETERSBOURG

DISCOUNT - BANK ST PETERSBOURG =

*Сергей Иванович Давыдов*

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Service Instructions.

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24 SEP 95

21 ROYAL EXCHANGE LONDON

Handed in at

Newyork

No. of Words

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No.

212

The following Message has been received at

21, ROYAL EXCHANGE, LONDON, E.C.

To

Apperson Ldn

When coming want your political advice fact will

No Inquiry respecting this Message can be attended to without the production of this Paper.

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Service Instructions.

Time received.

11-47

WESTERN UNION TELEGRAPH COMPANY

17 OCT 95

21 Royal Exchange LONDON, E.C.

Handed in at

Newyork

No. of Words

7

No.

279

The following Message has been received at

21, ROYAL EXCHANGE, LONDON, E.C.

To

Apperson Ldn

Mr Straus died today Will

No Inquiry respecting this Message can be attended to without the production of this Paper.



**Indications conventionnelles.**

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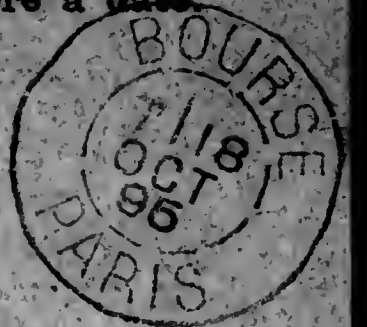
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de \_\_\_\_\_ N° \_\_\_\_\_ Mots \_\_\_\_\_ Dépôt le \_\_\_\_\_, à \_\_\_\_\_ h. \_\_\_\_\_ m. du \_\_\_\_\_

P LONDON 337 14 10/29 =

= CABLE FROM NEWYORK MR STRAUS DIED TODAY WILL = EIVES +

CHIRI

Le port est gratuit.  
Le facteur doit remettre un récépissé à souche lorsqu'il est chargé de recouvrer une taxe.

*Télégramme* *Paris*

MRS HEARST. HOTEL MAGRAN PARIS

*908 Rivoli*

ER.

6:27

HEARST, WILLIAM RANDOLPH

1896

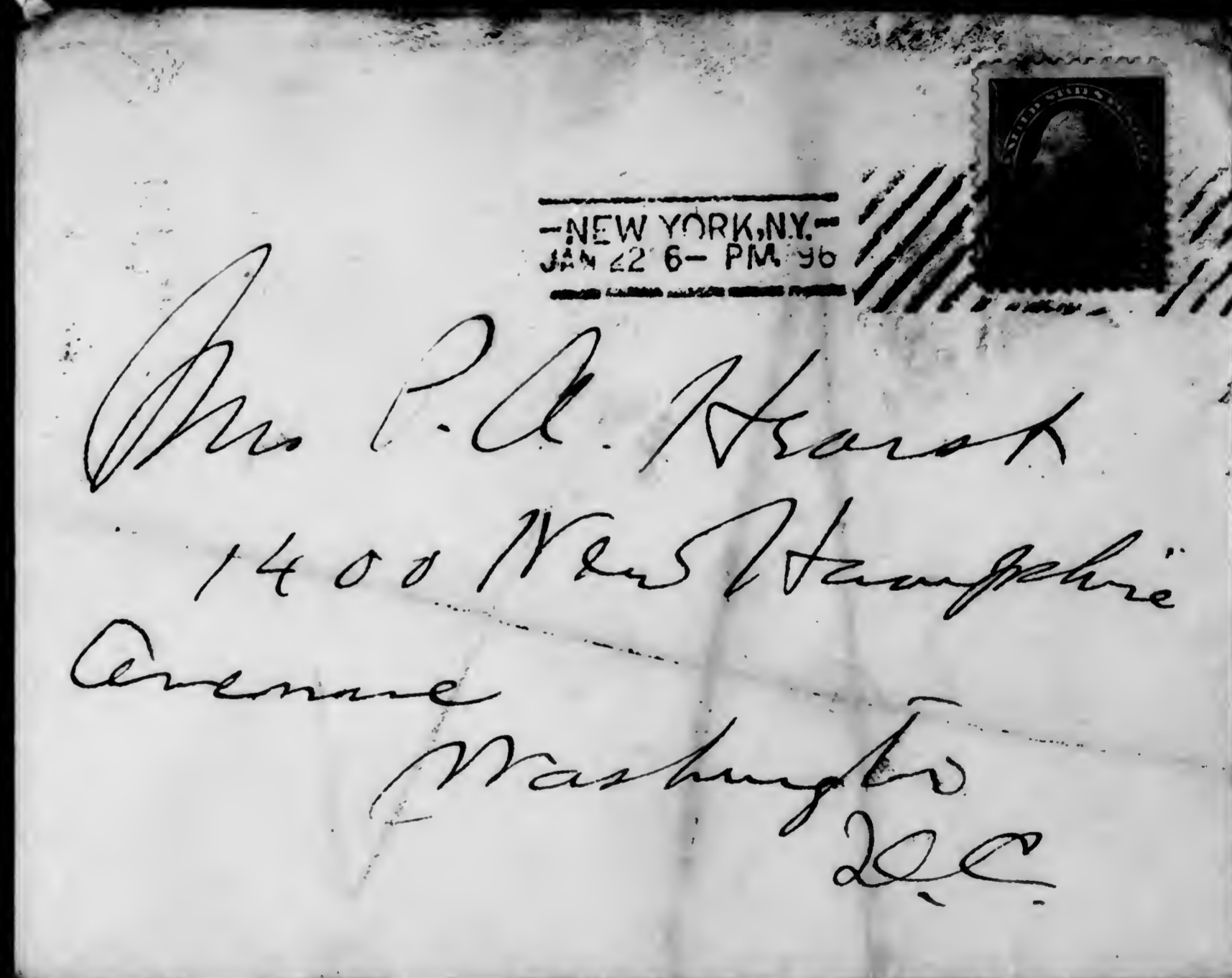
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I haven't got any yacht  
and I don't suppose I  
can afford it. When we  
can I would like one  
very much as I could  
have plenty of rest and  
recreation without having  
to go far from my business.  
We mustn't believe all  
the newspaper clippings  
- only those from the  
Journal. Affectionately  
Will.

[ca. Jan 22, 1896]

THE JOURNAL.

Well well. Who'd a  
thought it. Here you  
are writing me that  
you're sick and all  
the time you're a flitting  
with Senator Hill. It's  
awful. And there's that  
twenty five millions. You  
never told me you had  
that much. duplicity  
thy name is Inoumer  
I hope you ~~all~~ are better  
and can come on soon.





PALMER HOUSE CO.  
Copeland Townsend, Manager.

Chicago, 189

Dear Mother, Please notice this stationary front and back. What aunt it. Chicago's a bashful little thing. I have been having a regular picnic since I left! Last night on the car I ordered a bottle of Congress water and proceeded to gulp it down. I felt something in my mouth and found it to be a piece of glass. I examined the bottle and saw that the corkseam had chipped off some of the glass on the inside of the bottle and I had probably swallowed some of it. Dramatic situation requiring immediate action. I swallowed a gallon or more of warm water slood on my head and proceeded to empty myself of water glass down and everything else within me. This treatment was repeated until



PALMER HOUSE CO.  
Copeland Townsend, Manager.

Chicago, 189

I was as clean as a whistle; then I went to bed quite confident that if there had been any glass in me it had been evicted. Sure enough this morning I was feeling as chipper as could be but quite hungry. It is now evening if anything unpleasant had been going to happen it would have happened long ago. My neuralgia or rheumatism rather (is monkeying with my arm however. I think that was brought on by Medderburn's harrowing tales of how he used to suffer with the malady. I will rub in a little liniment and get Medderburn to talk of something else. Poor Medderburn! he was almost crazy when I got here. He says he is never going to leave his wife again



PALMER HOUSE CO.  
Copeland Townsend, Manager.

Chicago, \_\_\_\_\_ 189

as long as he lives.

Tell Robert that the ticket agent did not put in the extra ticket that Robert bought and that consequently I had to pay \$20 more on the train. I enclose the envelope with the clerk's figuring \$90 one ticket from N.Y. to S.F. including

one passage from N.Y. to Chicago.

\$20 the extra ticket from N.Y. to Chicago necessary for a drawing room and which was not in, & I had to pay for extra

\$24 the drawing room ticket to

Have Robert get back that twenty dollars and report that branch office. Don't worry about my little adventure. I think I am very lucky or something serious would have occurred. Will

The Examiner  
San Francisco

Dear Mother, I have not been to Grand-  
ma's yet. It has been buzzing away  
every day in a cold wretched style  
and I have been afraid to take  
my rheumatism travelling. I had  
a perfect picnic coming out on  
the train. I caught cold in Chicago  
and had rheumatism fearfully  
on the trip. I sat wrapped up in  
my overcoat most of the time  
and looked as dejected as any  
one lunker on board. About  
half way here I telegraphed wildly  
for rheumatism medicine to

The Examiner  
San Francisco

Robert and he promptly shipped  
me the wrong thing. However  
the rheumatism was almost  
gone when the package <sup>arrived</sup> and  
the telegram had at least relieved  
my feelings. I had another trouble  
coming from ~~Chicago~~ <sup>New York</sup> & Chicago  
that I wrote you about in  
a letter from Chicago but I  
was so afraid that you would  
sit up nights imagining me  
full of ground glass that I didn't  
send the letter. I will enclose  
it now. You will realize  
that I am positively safe if nothing

The Examiner  
San Francisco

has happened up to date.

In explanation of my last letter I enclose a list of bills presented and expenses incurred during my absence NOT including anything of a regular or household nature such as my fifteen hundred is supposed to cover. You have often asked me what I could do with my money and that I must squander it on the girl. This is a sample of things outside the running expenses. There are also Bell's bill Kaskell's bill and some stereopticon slides coming from abroad. Doubtless some of these things (but look over them yourself) I could have got along without, but a

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San Francisco

fellow does like to live a little and be interested in something.

I don't like to beg and I wish more than anything in the world that I had paying property enough to cover all my reasonable expenses.

I have seen Stump and Strauss and Wilson and Cousin Joe and I guess 'most everybody but Mustick. I am going to see him too. Palmer has gone East to sell his "Northwestern Mills." He will be in New York - is there now and will see Parsons about the paper



The Examiner  
San Francisco

suit. Parsons needs a little rigidity imparted to his backbone. He is a nice ~~man~~ man but his energy enthusiasm pugnacity and other virile qualities are in a state of catarrhal decline.

I am working hard on the paper now and find it very interesting for a change - fully as interesting as the Vamoose. In fact I miss the little Aquila more than the Vamoose. I wish I hadn't sold her. Hereafter a bird in the hand will be worth an elephant in the bush with you.

Affectionate son  
Will.

Frank has just come in. He  
sends his best wishes.

W.R.H.

The Examiner  
San Francisco

Dear Mother, I do not think the cost of transporting the boat would be anything like what Parsons says. However the boat has made too much discussion already and I shall be glad to get rid of it at any price so I have wired Parsons and Hillborn to sell her positively within the next month.

If you will kindly tell Mr. Stump to give me the money the Examiner used up of mine I shall be much obliged and much relieved as I have to pay the bills that accumulated during my absence, ~~of~~ and also the cost of a new sewer I have

absolutely been compelled to undertake also the taxes on my property and the yearly payment and interest on the note for my Wintertown parcels lot. That is the one that I had the long time payment on. The others have of course been paid for. You may kindly said I could have this later but I do need it awfully now. It will put me almost even with the game and then I will get along on my fifteen hundred or board somewhere.

The paper can't pay me anything until the Palmer & Key contract is up-~~and~~ and the bills in eight months from now. I am all well but a little bit worried of course. <sup>San Francisco</sup> <sup>The Examiner</sup> Everybody is always worried as far as I can see. I hope you are well. Your affectionate son.

189-?

The Examiner  
San Francisco

Dear Mother: Cough all gone rheumatism  
all gone, but Younger is still  
with me. I expect to be through  
with him this <sup>week</sup>. I don't know whether  
the cough or the rheumatism will  
then return or whether I will  
~~the~~ have something entirely  
new with which to while away  
my leisure hours. Seems as if  
I would feel lonesome without  
something to pester me.

I wasn't quite positive whether  
or not you would send Stump  
a present. <sup>For me</sup> I didn't like to suggest  
your doing it, so I decided the

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thing and that to Miss Bull  
- isn't that proper, - but that  
one was as handsome a piece  
of silver as I have possessed.  
I suppose we have got to do  
the grand of Stump, not that I  
am a bit fond of him; dear him.  
The thing cost five hundred dollars.  
It is needless to say that I charged  
it. I think you did them both  
very proud so I hope they'll be  
tickled almost to death, - if not  
quite.

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San Francisco

The weather is fine now. I am going down to Grandmas just as soon as Younger gets through with me. If I ever stopped on this tooth business I never would go back again.

You ought to be awfully grateful for two things, - having such a nice boy and such good teeth

Affectionately  
Will.

(W.R.Hearst - 189--?)

THE EXAMINER  
San Francisco

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arr C 20 Paid

New York ~~July 23/96~~

Mrs P.A. Hearst

Pleasanton

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W.R. Hearst

Rec'd at 8:40 Am

(W.R. Hearst-Telegram)

New York July 23/96

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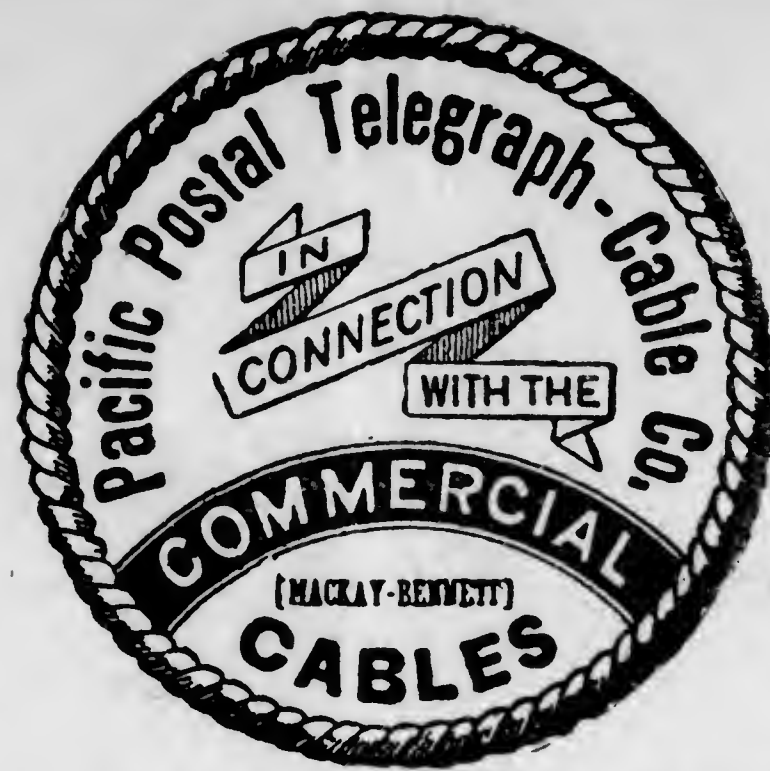
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New York, July 10th. '98.

Mrs. Phoebe Hearst,  
Pleasanton, Cal.

Mr. Hearst cables following: "Clarke wires you are anxious  
Don't worry. Everything is over here now, and we are coming  
home" Mr. Hearst was expected to sail for home to-day

S.S. Chamberlain.

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RECEIVED at 1053 Third Avenue, New York.

*Nov 7* 1896

Dated *1227 Bway nyc*  
To *Mr N A Hearst New Netherlands*

*Am going home sleep a little for a change will be up in the morning too bad about Bryan but dont worry about journal the orders for tomorrow are nearly nine hundred thousand I dont know how we can print them*

THIS TELEGRAM HAS JUST BEEN RECEIVED AT THE OFFICE IN

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Dated \_\_\_\_\_

To \_\_\_\_\_

*hope you are well Im tired out but all right otherwise*  
*W. R. Hearst*

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but all right otherwise.

W.R.Hearst

6:28

HEARST, WILLIAM RANDOLPH

1897

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To see with talk &

We got and printed  
your Cisneros com-  
munication today. The  
case is one in which  
we have every one's sympathy  
and the paper is  
growing nicely.

I hope you are all  
well now and that  
I shall see you soon

Your affectionate son

[La. Aug. 1897]

NEW YORK JOURNAL

Dear Emma,

I have just  
had a lovely letter  
from Mrs Anthony  
and I enclose it as  
I know it will make  
you happy to read  
it. She is splendid  
isn't she. I wish she  
didn't live 'way off  
in Boston. I think  
she is the only person  
outside of our own  
folk that I really want

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(W.R.Hearst)

NEW YORK JOURNAL.

[Ca. Aug 1897]

Dear Mama:

I have just had a lovely letter from Mrs. Anthony and I enclose it as I know it will make you happy to read it. She is splendid isn't she? I wish she didn't live 'way off in Boston. I think she is the only person outside of our own folk that I really want to see and talk to.

We got and printed your Cisneros communication today. The case is one in which we have every one's sympathy and the paper is growing nicely.

I hope you are all well now and that I shall see you soon.

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Dated New York 20

To Mrs P A Hearst

1400 New Hamp Ave Washn Dc

Letter all right will be down

twenty fifth hope you are feeling better things going

Extremely well here Changes you suggest are under way already

W R Hearst

(W.R.Hearst-Telegram)

New York Feb 20 1897

Mrs. P. A. Hearst  
1400 New Hamp Ave  
Washn, D.C.

Letter all right. Will be down twenty fifth.  
Hope you are feeling better. Things going  
extremely well here. Changes you suggest  
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W.R.Hearst

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New York Apl 2-97

Mrs. P. A. Hearst 1400 N. Hampshire Ave - Washington D. C.

Much distressed find you gone when I came up thought you didnt leave till to-night. Theatre muddle engaged me this morning and Einstein Townsend later but would of course have been at hotel anyhow if I had not misunderstood when do you come Edward says you still have that dreadful toothache. I am awfully sorry hope you will be well and come back soon I think business will go smoothly now evening paper admitted into local Associated Press despite Pulitzers strong objections.

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(W.R. Hearst-Telegram)

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HEARST, WILLIAM RANDOLPH

JULY-AUG, 1899

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NEW YORK JOURNAL

Good bye Mother  
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will write often.

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to me as mine is  
to you.

Your loving son.

(W. R. Hearst)

(1898)

[1898?]

New York Journal

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(No sig.)

July - 1899

Dear Mother ( You just missed  
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Write as often as you can.

Your affectionate son

Will.

George W. Bird,  
Attorney at Law,  
Plainfield, N.J.

Private  
July 17-1899.

H. R. Stewart, Esq.,  
Editor N. Y. Journal,  
New York City.

at 9/19

My Dear Sir;

Enclosed you will find  
a reply to an editorial in tonight's  
Evening Journal.

It is intended for you rather than  
the public, but I do not object to  
having it published, over the "Hopeful"  
instead of my signature.

Kindly withhold my signature if  
you do publish it.

Sincerely,

Geo. W. Bird.

Please print your  
own picture!

P.S. Please  
proof spelling  
please!

Mrs Elise Stross.

Woman is naturally good at giving reasons. Intuition, she takes a short cut to a conclusion and in some hours in advance of her opponent, who distractedly ambles through miles of reasoning before arriving at the same results. Read the following letters and see for yourself with what absolute succinctness woman is able to give a reason for her faith in the Evening Journal.

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July 18<sup>th</sup> 1899

R. Hearst Esq

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Note to researcher: Retake of preceding frame.

presidential chair.

Now why not, should  
about 20 years later, a other  
and likewise loved Editor  
of a New York Newspaper, the  
New York Journal and Evening  
Journal, Mr W. R. Hearst  
over, the Peoples President  
elect and "mark the Epoch?"

I am undoubtedly one  
the "right man all the  
right time, whom will  
bring about "the good time"  
" by W. Wilson  
Independent situated, full  
of patriotism, fearless, of  
generous qualities, very  
practical in selecting co-workers,  
I am surely one the man.  
A Leader!



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Monta N. Y.  
July 15/1899

Editor of the New York Journal  
Dear Sir -

Why all this talk  
about a man for second place  
on the Democratic ticket with  
William Jennings Bryan?  
There is but one man for the place,  
and only one - who can draw votes  
where Bryan fails, + who will not  
turn one from him - The problem  
is, not to try to hold "Gold Democrats"  
of the New England States by  
making one of their leaders - for  
to my mind - they are only Republicans  
masquerading as Democrats - but  
take a man, whom we know to be

W

*[Faint, mostly illegible handwritten text, possibly bleed-through from the reverse side of the page.]*

True - one with brains, courage  
and money, if you will - one  
possessed of all the implements  
of war + with the ability to  
marshal his forces + lead them  
to victory - And that man is  
yourself - With Bryan + Hearsh  
for our ticket in 1960, we will  
sink the party of syndicates +  
corruption with their money bags,  
so far beneath the brine of that  
traditional river, that they will  
taste the salt for years to come,  
if indeed they are not put  
beyond the sense of taste  
altogether.

L. L. Curtis  
Oneonta  
N. Y.

July 17 - 1899

Editor Evening Journal:

In the Toledo Saturday night Mr. Con-  
dict Packard certainly declared the truth when he stated  
"that there is a good chance for a leader these days".

A leader of the people, as a whole number, to better  
conditions, instead of some one with plans altogether selfish,  
would have EARNEST followers and in great numbers, and be  
popular with all as soon as he made himself known as a leader,  
commanding or directing in person. We all expect sham  
fights because we have become used to them but they are not  
necessary.

Your readers believe W. R. Hearst is working for  
something besides selfish interests. He already has a  
large following and is quite popular. Where would he be  
as a leader? He is in a position to express himself to the  
world. No doubt it would be a pleasure for him although  
it would require a great deal of effort, but perhaps it is  
his duty also.

The above is in response to an editorial in tonight's  
Evening Journal, about which I have heard a number express  
their satisfaction. Mr. Hearst step up.

"Hopeful."

Plainfield, N. J., July 17, 1899.

(W.R.Hearst -- 1899)

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Will.

1898 or '99  
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W. R. H.

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Journal.

Please keep this letter.  
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Your affectionate and  
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(W.R.Hearst -- 1898- Or - 99)

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As regards the paper I have decided to put Brisbane in as publisher of the Morning and Evening papers with Chamberlain under him on the morning and Farrell under him on the Evening and I shall give Brisbane full authority to make changes we discussed and which will result in saving five thousand a month more than Clarke's figures. We believe we can bring the loss down to twenty five thousand a month including the Evening, which will be \$300,000 for the next year at the present rate of advertising. I believe the advertising can be increased \$300,000 so that for the year of 1899 I will show you a profit on the Journal.

Please keep this letter. I think this will be one time that my financial predictions will come true.

Your affectionate and grateful  
son. (No sig.)



August 29th 1899

Dear Mother:

I know you dont like Bryan and dont approve of his politics, but he is coming to California and this gives us an opportunity to approach him in a way in which he is rather susceptible -- socially. He is really a fine man, although an extreme radical. His wife is a very nice woman, and I think you will be much interested in them. Anyhow, there is something which I know you always considered -- the opportunity to make your offspring solid with a power in politics. Whether Bryan is elected President or not, he is and will continue to be dictator of the radical wing of the Democratic party, and it is pretty important that he should be very close to me and to the Journal. Of course the Journal has supported him very strongly, and he appreciates that; but that does not appeal to a man like social attentions. If you can entertain him in such a way as to give him and Mrs. Bryan a pretty good time in California, and make them remember in after years pleasant days spent there, you will do more than I can do with the support of the Journal to get Bryan's close friendship.

It might be a good idea to send a car to Ogden and bring him out on that, entertain him for a few days at the hacienda, and then send him up to the Yosemite, give him a dinner when he gets back, flowers for Mrs. Bryan, and some memento of the trip to her or the children. Can you conveniently do this?

When Bryan was here Mrs Belmont completely won him for Oliver by social attentions. I have just been up to

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(W.R.Hearst-Aug.29,1899) --#2

When Bryan was here Mrs. Belmont completely won him over for Oliver by social attentions. I have just been up to Newport. Mrs. Belmont is a charming hostess. I can imagine how she won Bryan. I wish you would give up your Washington house and come to New York. If you don't I shall build a house here some day and have such delightful suites in it for you that you will have to come and live in 'em a great part of the time. As soon as the paper permits I am going to ginger up my present shanty and do a little entertaining myself.

I hope you are well. I am feeling fine.

Affectionately

Will.

Hotel del Monte

AMERICAN PLAN

[1898]

Monterey, Cal.

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Dear Mama,

I guess I'm a failure.

I made the mistake of my life in not raising the cowboy regiment I had in mind before Roosevelt raised his. I really believe I brought on the war but I failed to score in the war. I had my chance and failed to grasp it, and I suppose I must sit on the fence now and watch the procession go by.

It's my own fault. I was thirty five years of age and of sound mind - comparatively - and could do as I liked. I failed and I'm a failure and I deserve to be for being as slow and stupid as I was. Outside of the grief it would give you I had better be in a Santiago trench than where I am. However I don't suppose it gives you any particular joy to read this kind of thing so we will change the subject.

I am here resting up a little before going East. We had a hard campaign in California

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I tried to help Judge Maguire through on account of what he had done for me but I failed. We elected Phelan but everything else went Republican with a sweep. No Democrats were elected anywhere except those who had war reputations and those in Democratic districts too strong to be overcome. I am sorry for Maguire. He is so honest and loyal and he had served Californians so faithfully for many years that he should have been elected to the ~~Senate~~ Governorship or to anything else in the gift of the people here. Yet an unknown man beat him.

I saw Grandma and Grandpa a couple of days ago. They are looking remarkably well considering their great age and have changed surprisingly little in the past two years. I was glad to see them so well and happy. I guess it is best to want but little here below - and get it.

We had fried chicken for dinner of course. It is a most remarkable thing that nobody on this earth can cook fried

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AMERICAN PLAN

Monterey, Cal. \_\_\_\_\_ 189

chicken but my grand mother. Such is the case however. I have been from here East to Egypt and I have never tasted any other fried chicken and I am perfectly willing to bet that I could have continued my route around the world without tasting any fried chicken until I got back to Lawrence station. When Grandma dies she will take her secret with her and the cooking of fried chicken will be one of the lost arts.

I am happy to think you have had and are having such a great time abroad. I hope you will be free from worry or troubles of any kind and will continue and have the time of your life. Give my love to the girls. Tell Annie Jack is out here to attend a wedding, — not his own though I am sure he would attend that if she would say the word.

Good night Mama dear. Take care of yourself. Don't let me lose you. I wish you were here tonight. I feel about eight years old, and very blue  
Your loving son.

[1898]  
(W.R.Hearst - 1899?)

Monterey, Cal.

Dear Mama:

I guess I'm a failure. I made the mistake of my life in not raising the cowboy regiment I had in mind before Roosevelt raised his. I really believe I brought on the war but I failed to score in the war. I had my chance and failed to grasp it, and I suppose I must sit on the fence now and watch the procession go by. It's my own fault. I was thirty five years of age and of sound mind -- comparatively -- and could do as I liked. I failed and I'm a failure and I deserve to be for being as slow and stupid as I was. Outside of the grief it would give you I had better be in a Santiago trench than where I am. However I don't suppose it gives you any particular joy to read this kind of thing so we will change the subject.

I am here resting up a little before going East. We had a hard campaign in California. I tried to help Judge Maguire through on account of what he had done for me but I failed. We elected Phelan but everything else went Republican with a sweep. No democrats were elected anywhere except those who had war reputations and those in democratic districts too strong to be overcome. I am sorry for Maguire. He is so honest and loyal and he had served Californians so faithfully for many years that he should have been elected to the Governorship or to anything else in the gift of the people here. Yet an unknown man beat him.

I saw Grandma and Grandpa a couple of days ago. They are looking remarkably well considering their great age and have changed

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surprisingly little in the past two years. I was glad to see them so well and happy. I guess it is best to want but little here below,-- and get it.

We had fried chicken for dinner of course. It is a most remarkable thing that nobody on this earth can cook fried chicken but my grandmother. Such is the case however. I have been from here East to Egypt and I have never tasted any other fried chicken and I am perfectly willing to bet that I could have continued my route around the world without tasting any fried chicken until I got back to Lawrence station. When Grandma dies she will take her secret with her and the cooking of fried chicken will be one of the lost arts.

I am happy to think you have had and are having such a great time abroad. I hope you will be free from worry or troubles of any kind and will continue and have the time of your life. Give my love to the girls. Tell Annie Jack is out here to attend a wedding,-- not his own though I am sure he would attend that if she would say the word.

Goodnight, Mama dear. Take care of yourself. Don't let me lose you. I wish you were here tonight. I feel about eight years old,-- and very blue.

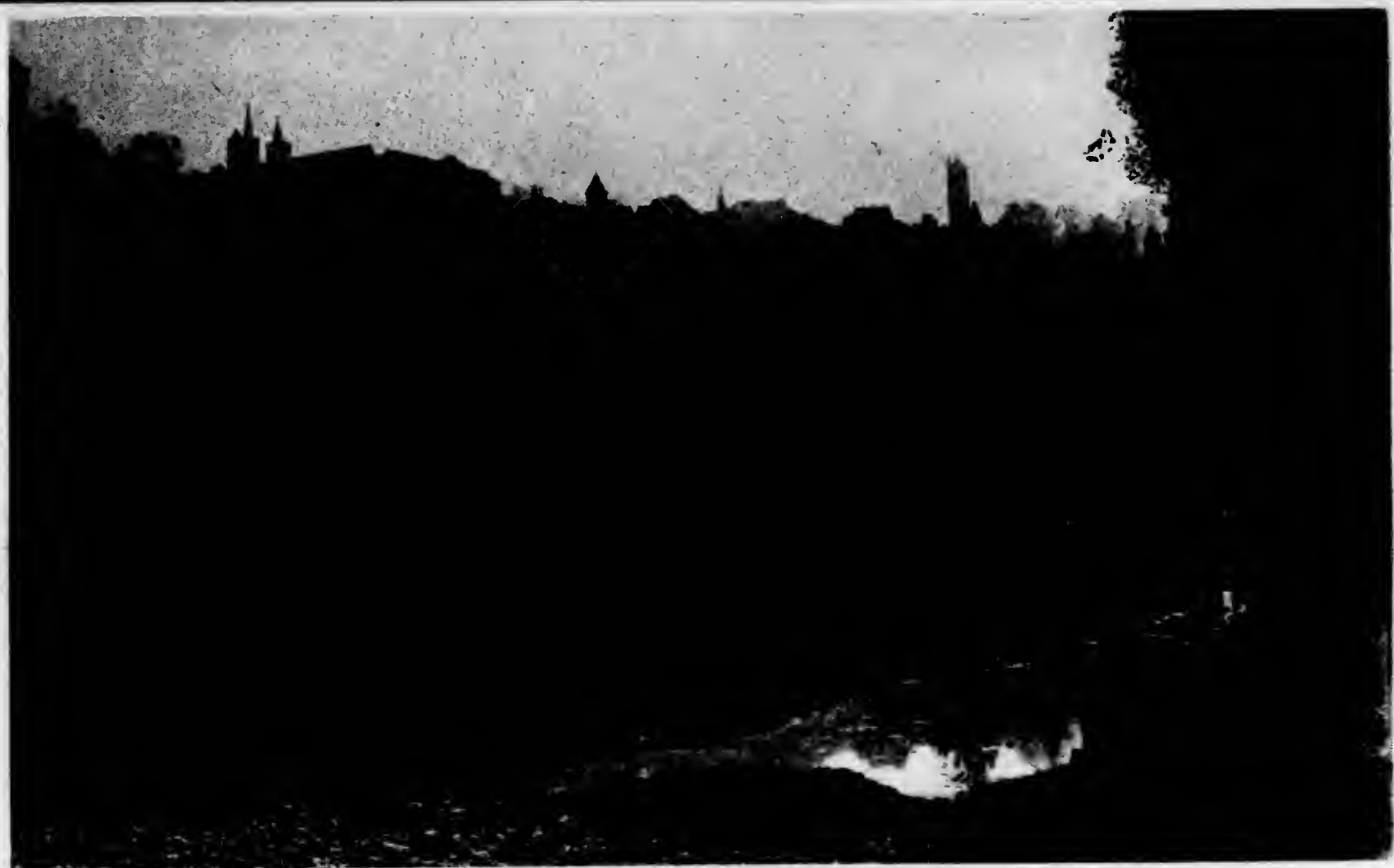
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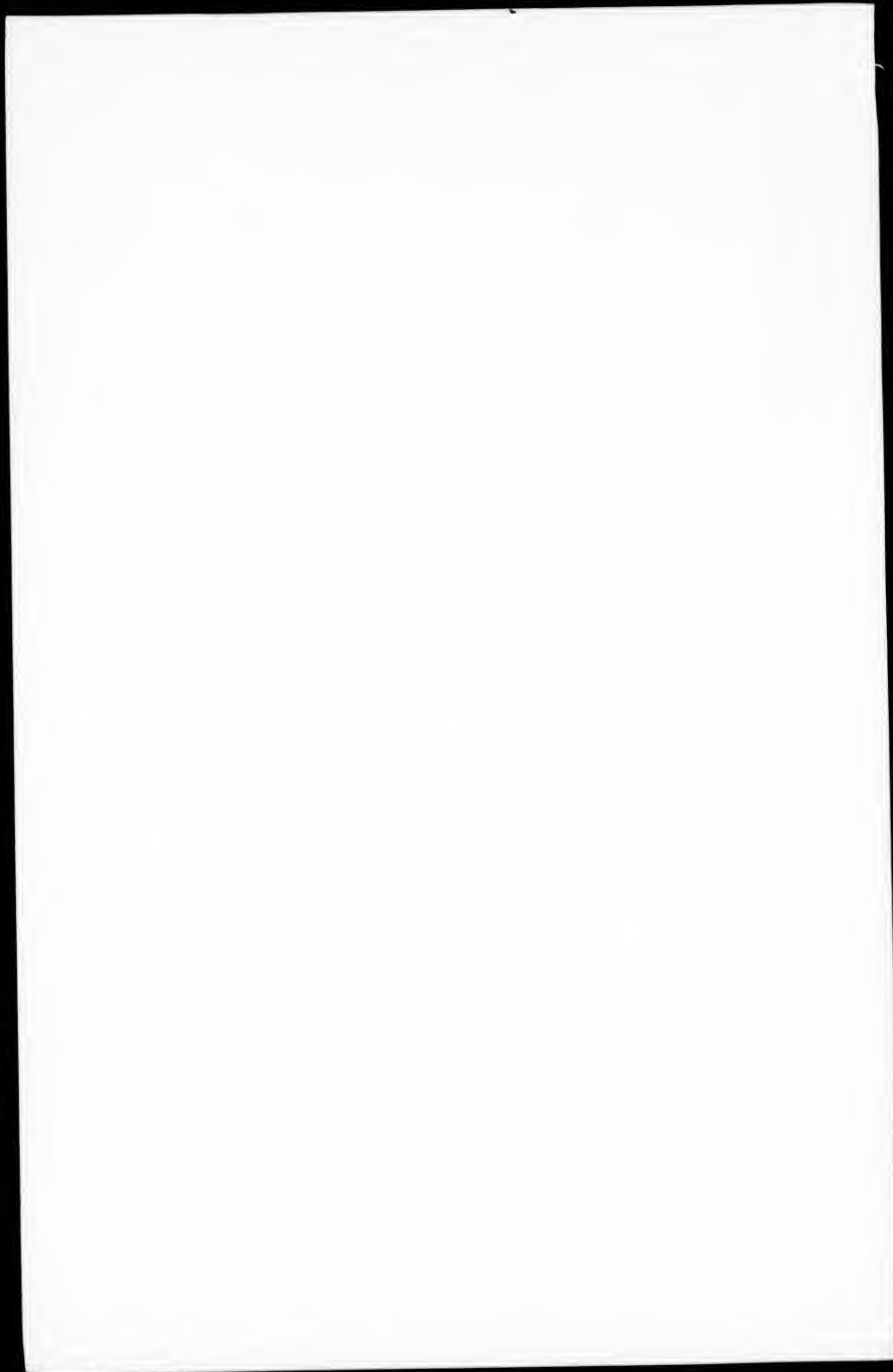
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TAUBERTHAL HERBSTNEBEL





Postkarte.

Carte postale. Postcard.

Cartolina postale. Correspondenzkarte.

Weltpostverein. Union postale universelle

I have not been drinking.  
This mess was made  
by the waiter Will.

Dear Mother,

Myself and Mrs. Shean and

I have just climbed to the top of the

Rothhorn tower. The wind is blowing

fiercely and almost blew us off

We did not stop at the Eisenhut

this time but at the other hotel

which has some beautiful rooms

overlooking the

valley. We must go there  
when we all come next year  
Affectionately Will

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HELIOMANUS-DRUCKEREI, MÜNCHEN

Steam one. Miss  
Tone can run one.  
Rose expects you at  
the house. Have a  
good time and keep  
well. Tell Sypher you  
don't want to sell  
your tapestries but  
since you have to store  
them you might take  
fifty thousand. You would  
certainly take nothing  
less than that which is  
their actual value  
and you know that as well  
as he. Good bye Mother  
dear. Affectionately Will



NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD  
BREMEN

DAMPFER  
"KAISER WILHELM D. GROSSE"

going to Cairo  
1899?

Dear Ma:

We are  
just starting. A  
few minutes ago  
a man rushed up  
to me and said "Is  
this Mr. Hearst"?

I expect he had a  
summons to serve  
so I promptly answered  
"This is Mr. Martin"  
I hope I will not be

token for the lady friend.  
I hope too I did not  
miss any important  
message. But I think  
I was right. It was a  
process server. He  
went away and didn't  
serve me! He was  
easy.

The band is playing  
the Star Spangled Banner  
and the Wacht an Rhein  
and other patriotic  
melodies & emphasizing  
the sentiment cordials

The sea is calm  
- in the Harbor  
The sun is bright  
I hope we will have  
a pleasant trip.  
I will cable you  
as soon as I arrive.  
There are several  
automobiles at my  
stables. The one you  
rode in and a steam  
one. Use them all  
you can. Anne  
can have somebody  
take her out in the

(W.R.Hearst-En route to Cairo-1899?)

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I will cable you as soon as I arrive.

There are several automobiles at my stables. The one you rode in and a steam one. Use them all you can. Anne can have somebody take her out in the steam one. Miss Tone can run one. Rose expects you at the House. Have a good time and keep well. Tell Sypher you don't want to sell your tapestries but since you have to store them you might take fifty thousand. You would certainly take nothing less than that which is their actual value and you know that as well as he.

Goodbye Mother dear.

Affectionately

Will

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*During Spanish War*

Dear Mother:  
I am at the front and  
absolutely safe so dont worry. Since  
poor Marshall was shot the General  
has made strict rules limiting news-  
paper men to certain localities that  
are well within the lines so that  
there is no opportunity for any of us  
to get hurt even if we wanted to.  
The landing of troops guns and  
horses is most interesting and  
march to the front very impressive  
I have interviewed Admiral ~~Sto~~  
Sampson General Shafter and  
General Garcia. The last named

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and that they would always remember  
the journal as a friend when friends  
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they had many friends but ranked  
the journal above all others.

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in everything and of some service  
to the hospital ship providing them  
with ice and delicacies which  
they lacked. I think the standing of  
the paper will profit by my being here.  
Other proprietors are safely at home  
— and I will be soon. I hope you are  
very well and not at all alarmed about  
me for honestly here is no occasion for it. Will

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(W.R.Hearst)

-Spanish American War.-

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I have been greatly interested in everything and of some service to the hospital ship providing them with ice and delicacies which they lacked. I think the standing of the paper will profit by my being here. Other proprietors are safely at home -- and I will be soon. I hope you are very well and not at all alarmed about me for honestly there is no occasion.

Lovingly

Will.

Paris - 1899

Dear Mama, I was greatly hurried at the last moment learning that the P & O Steamers to Alexandria only leave twice a month this time of year. The one that was to leave the 15<sup>th</sup> of November would make my dhakabiyeh trip very short so I had to get ready for the first of November which is very early but will give me a decent length of time to see something on the Nile.

I had your sleigh sent to Mrs Moores and also

a small box of silver things, (a knife, match box, note book, and pencil) that are Xmas for Chamberlain. Am sending Noble a little Keg to hold liquors and cigars. Palmer a fitted bag. Chamberlain a tiger jaw mounted for cigarettes. Williams a pair of Toledo buttons and pin. Ritchie the same. There are also two pair of buttons for Noble that I owe him on the election. One pair is worked gold and the other is moon stones. Can you take all these



back for me and  
deliver them to their  
respective owners.  
They are at Rafards  
I went up to Mrs Kucian  
and Annie and they  
had gone to the circus  
at least the girl said  
it was the circus, I  
expect it was the  
Jardin de Paris or  
some other giddy place  
Anyhow they weren't home  
as they certainly ought  
to have been at that  
time of the evening and

I am going to tell on  
'em.  
By the way if I were  
you I would take  
Palmer a present, he  
may be useful and he  
is very smart, I was  
going to get him an old  
watch have it fitted  
with new works and  
present him with it  
but I found it would  
cost more than I could  
afford. If you will ask  
Rafard he will show you  
the watches and you  
can give Palmer one  
I rather advise getting

an old silver<sup>5</sup> and enamel  
bulls eye and one that  
will show the day of the  
week day of the month  
the size of the moon, the  
month and all that  
I know it will tickle  
him to death and I wish  
I could have afforded  
it for him.

If you want me  
before I get through  
my Egyptian trip  
send a telegram to  
Thomas Cook & Company  
Cairo and I will  
skate immediately

I hope you will find  
everything all right  
for I hate to have so  
many things worrying  
you. I am enough.  
The old money isn't  
worth the trouble of  
fretting over (and maybe  
I aint) but you think  
I am.

I will write often and  
bring you some nice  
things from Cairo. I hope  
you will have a good  
trip home and please don't  
worry about me. I  
will be all right.

Bring my love to Grandpa  
and Grandma and find  
if the musical clock  
arrived all right.  
I just blew myself in  
on that clock and I hope  
it got there and pleased  
them. Don't worry over  
anything, and if you  
need me telegraph  
and I will come home  
and do the worrying

Your affectionate  
son  
Will.

(W.R.Hearst - Paris 1899)

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I went up to see Mrs. Kincaid and Annie and they had gone to the circus, at least the girl said it was the circus, I expect it was the Jardin de Paris or some other giddy place. Anyhow they weren't home as they certainly ought to have been at that time of the evening and I am going to tell on 'em.

By the way if I were you I would take Palmer a present. He may be useful and he is very smart. I was going to get him an old watch, have it fitted with new works and present him with it but I found it would cost

(W.R.Hearst - Paris -1899) --#2

more than I could afford. If you will ask Raford he will show you the watches and you can give Palmer one. I rather advise getting an old silver and enamel bulls eye and one that will show the day of the week, day of the month, the size of the moon, the month and all that. I know it will tickle him to death and I wish I could have afforded it for him.

If you want me before I get through my Egyptian trip send a telegram to Thomas Cook & Company, Cairo and I will skate immediately. I hope you will find everything all right for I hate to have so many things worrying you. I am enough. The old money isn't worth the trouble of fretting over (and maybe I ain't) but you think I am.

I will write often and bring you some nice things from Cairo. I hope you will have a good trip home and please don't worry about me. I will be all right.

Give my love to Grandpa and Grandma and find if the musical clock arrived all right. I just blew myself in on that clock and I hope it got there and pleased them. Don't worry over anything, and if you need me telegraph and I will come home and do the worrying.

Your affectionate son

Will.

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To \_\_\_\_\_

Address Hurst Care Cook  
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Merry Christmas greetings  
to all remember me so the  
sphinx will

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Hurst care Cook  
Cairo

Merry Christmas Greetings to all

Remember me to the sphinx.

Will.

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HEARST, WILLIAM RANDOLPH

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Dear Mama; Cairo is a sort of a Mexican  
village the ownership of which is disputed  
between gentlemen in divided skirts and  
the mosquitoes. The mosquitoes would  
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I find the inundation extremely interesting  
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built up, about eleven times more enormous  
and imposing than those that actually  
occupy the plain of Gizeh. I think now  
~~however~~ that I have been good and well  
disappointed, I can see the pyramids again

and be impressed.

I hope you are feeling well and not worrying.  
I will write you frequently and try to make  
some interesting letters, but if every thing  
has been as much overdone as the pyramids  
I shall not ~~have~~ <sup>have</sup> great success I fear,  
and must be put down as one who does  
not display (in large type) proper "feeling".

By the way the Nile overflow is not unhealthy  
and the heat is not oppressive so don't worry about.  
Your affectionate son

(W.R.Hearst - Cairo - 1899)

Dear Mama:

Cairo is a sort of a Mexican village the ownership of which is disputed between gentlemen in divided skirts and the mosquitos. The mosquitos would certainly win against any other set of people but the gentlemen in divided skirts seem to hold their own. There appear to be no strangers here as yet and the Nile inundation is still at its height. I find the inundation extremely interesting. I drove yesterday to the pyramids, a distance of about ten miles, I should say. The Nile inundation extended all the way almost to the very foot of the pyramids themselves. I regret to say I found the pyramids disappointing. So many people have described them and each writer has so endeavored to outdo the preceding one in describing them and to give a more gorgeous rather than a more accurate description and to display a greater amount of sentiment and enthusiasm and appreciation that the real objects being described have been lost sight of entirely and a set of false and non-existent pyramids -- a series of word pyramids -- have been built up, about eleven times more enormous and imposing than those that actually occupy the plain of Gizeh. I think now that I have been good and well disappointed, I can see the pyramids again and be impressed.

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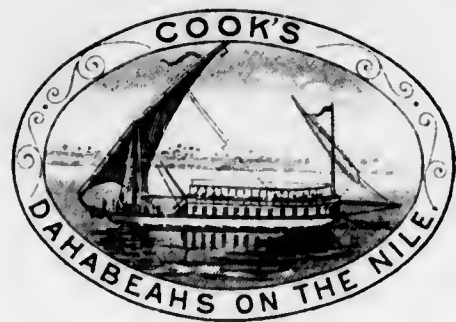
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Etc.

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few lines. Excuse pencil

I am quite well. I had  
not heard from you for  
so long that I missed  
Parsons. Got an answer  
saying you were well,  
but not yet returned.  
Doubtless you have written  
but the mails are few here.  
Your affectionate son,



Dahabeah "Nitocris."

1899

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Dear Mother: I am up the  
Nile now as far as I go. I  
have not seen much yet  
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Dec. 1899?

Dear Mama: I don't at all understand why I don't hear from you. I wrote a letter from Paris another from Brindisi another from Cairo and another from Assuan; and I sent a telegram from Cairo to you and one to Parsons from Assuan. Parsons answered that you were well but had not left yet for home so surely you must have got some of my letters. All I can think of is that the letter that contained my address (Care Cook and Son Cairo) may have miscarried, but you know that letters addressed to Bank of Montreal would be forwarded. Perhaps I have missed your letters.

I sent a lot of things to the men on the paper, that is I left them at Rafards for you to take to them. I wrote you about them. Who they

were for etc. Did you get that letter? Did you get the things? Did you get your ~~etc~~ <sup>sleigh</sup>? Please write me. You know how badly you feel when I don't write and you must have written me I suppose. Let me know if you missed my letters or if I missed yours. The regular boats begin running now - December - and I can send mail and get mail easily. I hope I will get some.

The Nile is pretty fair, but a little too much like the Sacramento. I don't think I would enjoy it much were it not for the queer types of people and the opportunities for photography. I am at Luxor and expect to see the best things on the Nile here. I don't feel much like writing anything except questions why you don't ~~write~~ answer my letters. Please write soon from your affectionate son.

(W.R. Hearst - 1899-1900)

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Your affectionate son.

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AVENIDA PALACE - LISBONNE  
GHEZIREH PALACE }  
SHEPHEARD'S } LE CAIRE

PERA PALACE - CONSTANTINOPLE  
HOTEL INTERNATIONAL - BRINDISI  
MALOJA PALACE, SUISSE (HAUTE ENGADINE)  
HOTEL DE LA PLAGE - OSTENDE  
PAVILLON DE BELLEVUE

Ghezireh Palace

Le Caire, le

1899

DIRECTION GÉNÉRALE  
46, Rue des Mathurins  
PARIS.

ADRESSE TÉLÉGRAPHIQUE :  
PALACE-CAIRE.

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I have just reached Cairo. I am well and happy and having a really glorious time. The telegrams from the office are encouraging the freedom from work and worry is delicious and I am having more rest and

enjoyment than I have had for a long, long time. I was a little disappointed not to go to Manila but I learned from S. M. Williams too that the plague threatened to be had and perhaps it is best that I did not. Anyhow I guess I should be home soon, so after a sort of wind up here I will head homeward.

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might live many years  
yet. It is too bad.

I hope Grandma is better  
and that you are taking  
good care of yourself.

Please don't overwork  
and wear yourself out  
unnecessarily. There  
is no reason for doing  
it Mama. You want  
to do a lot in the world  
before you die and you  
can accomplish most  
by taking care of yourself  
and working moderately  
for many years rather  
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(W.R. Hearst-Cairo-1899)

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From Rome, Dec. 25, '99 (via French)

Apperson,

San Fran.

Merry Xmas and much love to all.

Will.

7:47 a.m.

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To

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Address

Care Cook

Clerk's Initials

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Cairo

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(W.R. Hearst-Cablegram)

New York, Feb. 19 1899

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(W.R.Hearst - Dec. 1899?)

Dear Mama:

I don't at all understand why I don't hear from you. I wrote a letter from Paris, another from Brindisi, another from Cairo and another from Assuan; and I sent a telegram from Cairo to you and one to Parsons from Assuan. Parsons answered that you were well but had not left yet for home so surely you must have got some of my letters. All I can think of is that the letter that contained my address (Care Cook and Son, Cairo) may have miscarried, but you know that letters addressed to Bank of Montreal would be forwarded. Perhaps I have missed your letters.

I sent a lot of things to the men on the paper, that is I left them at Raford's for you to take to them. I wrote you about them. Who they were for, &c. Did you get that letter? Did you get the things? Did you get your sleigh? Please write me. You know how badly you feel when I don't write and you must have written me, I suppose. Let me know if you missed my letters or if I missed yours. The regular boats begin running now -- December -- and I can send mail and get mail easily. I hope I will get some.

The Nile is pretty fair, but a little too much like the Sacramento. I don't think I would enjoy it much were it not for the queer types of people and the opportunities for photography. I am at Luxor and expect to see the best things on the Nile here. I don't feel much like writing anything except questions why you don't answer my letters. Please write soon.

Your affectionate son.

6:32

HEARST, WILLIAM RANDOLPH

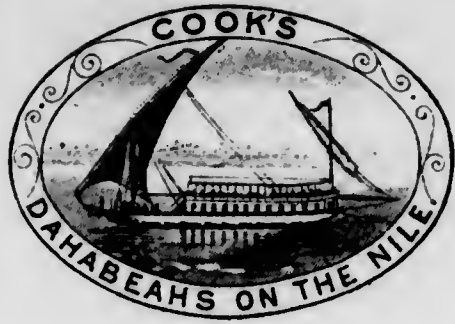
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1899-  
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Affectionately

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I am happy and well. My nervousness is gone, my stomach is getting into good condition, I sleep well and life is worth living again. I would not take a hundred thousand dollars for the lovely vacation I have heard.

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(W.R.Hearst-1899-or-1900)

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(W.R.Hearst-Luxor-1899-1900)--#2

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Mrs P A Hearst

Channing Way and Piedmont  
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E H Clark

6-56 pm

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1900



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Ascenseur Hydraulique

Hotel de Londres

Plein Midi

15. Place d'Espagne,  
recently in Cairo

Rome 1900

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Your affectionate son

Will.

New York, Nov. 14th, 1900.

Mrs. P. A. Hearst,

San Francisco.

Am very sorry to hear of Grandfathers death, yet it must have come as a relief from his long sickness. I feel I ought to have been there but I really had to be here as you know. I hope you will not be worn out and ill and that Grandma will bear up and come East with you.

Will.

9:24 P.m.

(To Robert - Thanks very much. W. R. H.)

6:33

HEARST, WILLIAM RANDOLPH

1901

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I wish he had aspired to some  
other office where we could  
have worked for him but I  
have told Williams to keep out  
of this quarrel entirely. I hope  
the state will give the University  
a lot of money notwithstanding  
and that you will see all your  
plans realized.

Give my love to Grandmother  
I hope you are all well and  
enjoying yourselves. I am glad  
you had a nice visit here.  
Really 28th St seems very quiet  
and deserted. I didn't know  
how dull I had been.

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1901-?



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I have just received  
your letter. I found it waiting  
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through we will get about  
fifty thousand dollars a year  
more from these dry goods  
people alone.

I am very well indeed. There  
is nothing the matter with me  
except that I am getting ~~old~~  
old rapidly and I haven't  
succeeded in accomplishing  
anything yet. I hope to make  
a dent on the public attention  
when I get to Congress. I must  
connect pretty soon or I shall  
be on the shelf.

Tell Quinn he must get out  
of San Francisco this Spring  
and see that he does get out.  
He should be in London. He  
has talent and ~~can~~ can win fame  
but not in San Francisco  
nor in New York even. It is  
sad but true that an American  
artist to be recognized must  
make his hit in London or  
Paris and preferably London.

I am glad to hear the  
University has good prospects  
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I have just received your letter. I found it waiting for me when I came home this evening, - or rather this morning - from the office. I am sending you a line before I go to bed.

This certainly is a bad climate but there are lots of people here and they are necessary for a big circulation. The papers are doing well and the overdraft is being rapidly reduced. We have raised the rates on the big dry goods advertisers and if that goes through we will get about fifty thousand dollars a year more from these dry goods people alone.

I am very well indeed. There is nothing the matter with me except that I am getting old rapidly and I haven't succeeded in accomplishing anything yet. I hope to make a dent on the public attention when I get to Congress. I must connect pretty soon or I shall be on the shelf.

Tell Orrin he must get out of San Francisco this Spring and see that (he) does get out. He should be in London. He has talent and can win fame but not in San Francisco nor in New York even. It is sad but true that an American artist to be recognized must make his hit in London or Paris and preferably London.

I am glad to hear the University has good prospects and that the legislators are sitting up and taking notice. I am sorry there is any trouble over Father Yorke. I

(W.R.Hearst - 1901?) -- #2

wish he had aspired to some other office where we could have worked for him but I have told Williams to keep out of this quarrel entirely. I hope the state will give the University a lot of money notwithstanding and that you will see all your plans realized.

Give my love to Grandma. I hope you are all well and enjoying yourselves. I am glad you had a nice visit here. Really 28th St seems very quiet and deserted. I didn't know how dull I had been.

Your affectionate son

Will

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Mrs. P. A. Hearst,

Washington. D. C.

Mr. Carvalho is worn out and ill. He has been much overworked. Wish you would invite him and his wife and babies to Washington for couple of weeks and give them a good quiet time with a very few agreeable people. Please don't have a lot of queer people. Carvalho is our most valuable asset. He is much sought after by other papers and while I don't think he will leave as he is I think our good friend as well as business associate yet you should do this and anything else possible to make his position agreeable. I try all I can but I do put a tremendous lot of labor and responsibility on him and of course he could do as well elsewhere and have less worry and trouble.

Will.

11:15.P:M.



1400 NEW HAMPSHIRE AVENUE  
WASHINGTON, D. C.

Copy of my telegram  
to Wm. in answer  
to one recd from  
him. The latter  
I enclose. Please  
return.

(over)

W. R. Hearst  
of Hearst Chicago American. . .

I have known for long time  
that C. was your most  
valuable asset. in fact about  
the only one, and feared he  
could not bear the great  
strain and responsibility.

It is you and not your  
mother, who should have  
made his position more  
endurable. I can invite  
them here after the fourteenth  
to spend one week. we start  
west about twenty-fifth. Have  
much to do preparing to leave  
house closed.

As to my having queer people. you  
seem to forget that you have  
the special collection to whom you  
devote much time and prefer to travel  
with. . . .  
Mother.

New York, Sept. 8. [1901?]

Mrs. P. A. Hearst,  
Pleasanton, Cal.

Please dont worry. All that distresses me is the fear that you will be hurt by the wicked assertions in hostile newspapers. I dont believe those attacks have the slightest effect except to lower the papers printing them. In New York all the people are in front of the Journal bulletins and are very friendly, cheering any favorable news. All merchants understand sordid motives of assailants and stand by us. In fact as far as I can see the attacks have absolutely no effect whatever except to gratify the people already unfriendly to the Journal.

Will

5:47 p.m.

N.Y. Sept. 10. [1901?]

Mrs. P. A. Hearst.

How are you. I hope not too much distressed by the blackguardism of the other papers. They are simply trying to make a little capital in the disturbed state of the public mind. Poor old Wanamaker is getting the same dose in Philadelphia. This fine old gentleman and life-long Republican is.

is accused of having assassinated the President. These newspaper folk are a pretty blackguardly lot, I guess. But don't mind. No actual harm is being done. It is aggravating but not injurious. The advertising statement of the Journal for

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for this week shows a gain of over ten thousand dollars compared with the same week of last year. It is ridiculous for these blackguardly papers to imagine that they can convince any intelligent people

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that we or Wanamaker or any sane person wished harm to the President and they only lower themselves and show a viciousness that can only be attributed to jealousy. I think everybody understands that certainly the business men do.

Will.

New York , Sept. 25. [1901?]

Mrs. P. A. Hearst, Pleasanton.

Don't worry. Everything coming around all right. We will be stronger than ever in a month.

Will.

12:08 a.m.

Mrs. Hearst.

Things are beginning to look up. We have smashed the Sun until they are weakening. People are getting to consider the whole thing, a newspaper fight which is just what we want.

Circulation is increasing again advertising coming back.

W. R. H.

Mrs. H.

I will surely come within a few days after Edward arrives. I got as far as Chicago before and had to come back. It is a singular thing that the Chicago paper had no trouble at all. It has over 20,000 more than what it had a month ago and the advertising has not suffered in the least. The Examiner also seems to be in good shape. The Journal got the worst of it, but I feel cheerful today, everything seems to be coming our way again. I guess by the time Edward gets here things will be so peaceful he won't know anything ever happened. You may surely count on my going west . Will.

Sterns one of the advertisers who left, is back again. I think others will return soon everybody seems surprised that the paper is not apparently affected by the tremendous onslaught and I think when it is all over we will have a great reputation for solidity.

You see we have a great many enemies but we have nearly a million friends and they are fighting for us.

Don't worry. I think I shall be able to leave in a week.

Will

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will return soon everybody seems surprised that the paper is not  
apparently affected by the tremendous changes and I think when it is  
all over we will have a great reputation for solidity.



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HEARST, WILLIAM RANDOLPH

1902

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NEW YORK JOURNAL

Dear Mother,

This is a  
Christmas present.

From the first  
of January I am  
NOT going to draw  
any more money  
from your office.

I am going to  
make the three  
papers take care  
of themselves.

I expect to have a  
hard time this  
coming year; I  
mean much work  
much unpleasant  
economy and some  
little financing  
during the Summer  
season but I will  
pull through I am  
pretty sure for I  
do not believe <sup>another</sup>  
calamity like the  
McKinley one can  
overtake us. There

is still about sixty thousand dollars per year advertising out of the journal but I believe most of it will come back & I will try to raise rates and on the whole I will make the journal pay enough to carry the American

I would feel better if I could only get a good rest. I am

tired and don't sleep well and my stomach is in a constant state of rebellion. I think I have enough in my storage batteries for another year of work and then I am going to take a long vacation and not look at a newspaper

I did send the telegram to Grandmother and I will send another Christmas. Love to all - and most of all to my dear mother. Will

(W.R.Hearst-1902?)

NEW YORK JOURNAL

Dear Mother:

This is a Christmas present.

From the first of January I am N O T going to draw any more money from your office. I am going to Make the three papers take care of themselves. I expect to have a hard time this coming year. I mean much work, much unpleasant economy and some little financing during the Summer season but I will pull through I am pretty sure for I do not believe another calamity like the McKinley one can overtake us. There is still about sixty thousand dollars per year advertising out of Journal but I believe most of it will come back. I will try to raise rates and on the whole I will make the Journal pay enough to carry the American.

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Will.

You will soon have an  
occasion to set Billy  
Byrne's mind at rest  
I did all I could to reassure  
him.

We are having a nice  
run. The train has just  
this minute stopped at  
Bakersfield. I am not  
saying anything about  
the weather.

Arrive and I will be good  
to the boys. Do come on soon  
Your affectionate son  
Wall.

The  
California  
Limited



1902?

Dear Mother,

We are  
here on the Santa Fe Limited.  
It is a very ~~fast~~ nice  
train and we have very  
pretty writing paper as  
you see.

Billy Byrne came down  
to the boat to see me. He  
said the Examiner had  
not treated him well

and he thought that you  
had been cold to him. He  
said perhaps he had  
been misrepresented  
regarding that Union  
Club matter a year  
ago. He went over the  
whole thing and I know  
he told the truth as Jack  
Follensbee had told me  
exactly the same thing.

I really owe a great  
debt of gratitude to Bill  
Byrne for his very kind

action on that occasion.  
If it had not been for  
him I would undoubtedly  
have been humiliated  
by my enemies. I hope  
you will be nice to him  
especially nice to him  
and do please tell Tom  
Williams to do anything  
possible for him in the  
Examiner. There are  
so few good friends that  
really stand up in time  
of trouble that we must not  
neglect them. I hope

(W.R.Hearst - 1902?)

The  
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I did all I could to reassure him.

We are having a nice run. The train has  
just this minute stopped at Bakersfield. I  
am not saying anything about the weather.

Orrin and I will be good boys. Do come  
on soon.

Your affectionate son

Will.

Dear Mother,

Do you accept?

I am hesitating a little. It seems a pretty big job to undertake off hand, but I guess we will have to attend to it if this gentleman is right.

Seriously I would give a great deal if that Washington school



If yours had been put up in  
the South and as a Southern  
institution. The Southern people  
are the most grateful, loyal people  
in the World. They are misunderstood  
and misrepresented so much  
in the North that they appreciate  
doubly any recognition of their  
real worth. If you had made  
a Southern Institution for  
Southern girls in one of the

Southern States we could certainly  
count on the support of the South  
for this gentle man's ticket.

I hope you are well and  
having a good time. You are  
getting to be a worse correspondent  
than  
Your affectionate son  
Wiler.

[1902]

Mrs. H.

A faction of the Democratic party usually very powerful has asked me to allow them to present my name for Governor. They say I will be nominated. I don't think I will be. Still it is an alluring proposition because if a Democrat is by chance elected Governor of New York he stands the best chance of being the Democratic nominee for President in 1904. It would be ridiculous for me to consider such a possibility if there were any really big men in the field but there are not any. However I don't believe that my name will even be presented at the Democratic convention Wednesday for I told my friends that

unless they were quite positive of the nomination they were not to present my name at all. To-night things look as if there was but little chance to me but my foolish friends are still confident so you may possibly have a surprise.

I have not bought a house. I am having an old house I bought two years ago made into an automobile stable.

I hope Mrs. Anthony will stay until I arrive. I would greatly like to see her. She is one of the very few people I really like.

I am glad you took grandma a present from me. I brought her some nice old delft from Holland.

I will take it out with me later. In all probability I will be quite at liberty after Wednesday and I can then come to San Francisco at once if you wish. I would like to see the hacienda in October and I should like still better to see the Mistress of the Hacienda, my Dear Mother.

If the unexpected should happen Wednesday, of course, I can't leave until November but it would be nice for you to have a real live Governor at your cornerstone laying.

Do you want to wait until Wednesday? The chances are as I say that I can leave then.

Will.

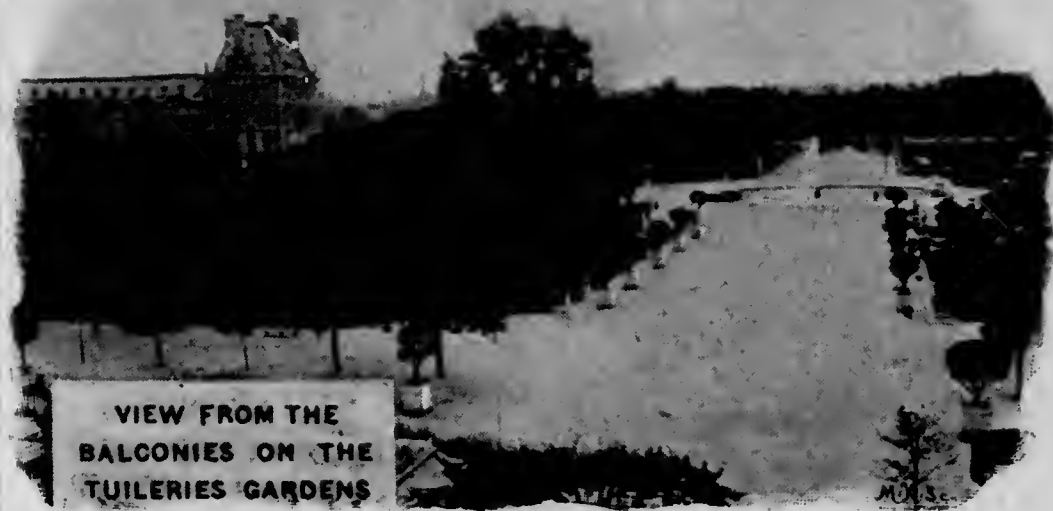
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HEARST, WILLIAM RANDOLPH

1903

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Orin and I stepped out  
to the altar. The bishop  
looked very grand and  
solemn. Anita came  
up with Millie and  
her pa. They didnt have  
any bouquet. I had  
forgotten to buy it. Millie  
didnt mind! She stepped  
up along side me trembling  
and frightened. The bishop  
married us. Then he kissed  
Millie quite a sweet  
and patted her on the  
head and told her he  
wanted her to come and  
see him when she returned  
and that she and he would



VIEW FROM THE  
BALCONIES ON THE  
TUILERIES GARDENS

HOTEL WAGRAM

H. CARRY, PROP<sup>r</sup>

208, Rue de Rivoli

PARIS

May - 1903

~~Dear Mother,~~

We have got  
to Paris and are about  
to start on our automobile  
trip. We had a rough  
passage on the Atlantic  
and a nasty one on the  
Channel but otherwise  
everything has been very  
pleasant and we have  
been very happy.

The day of the wedding

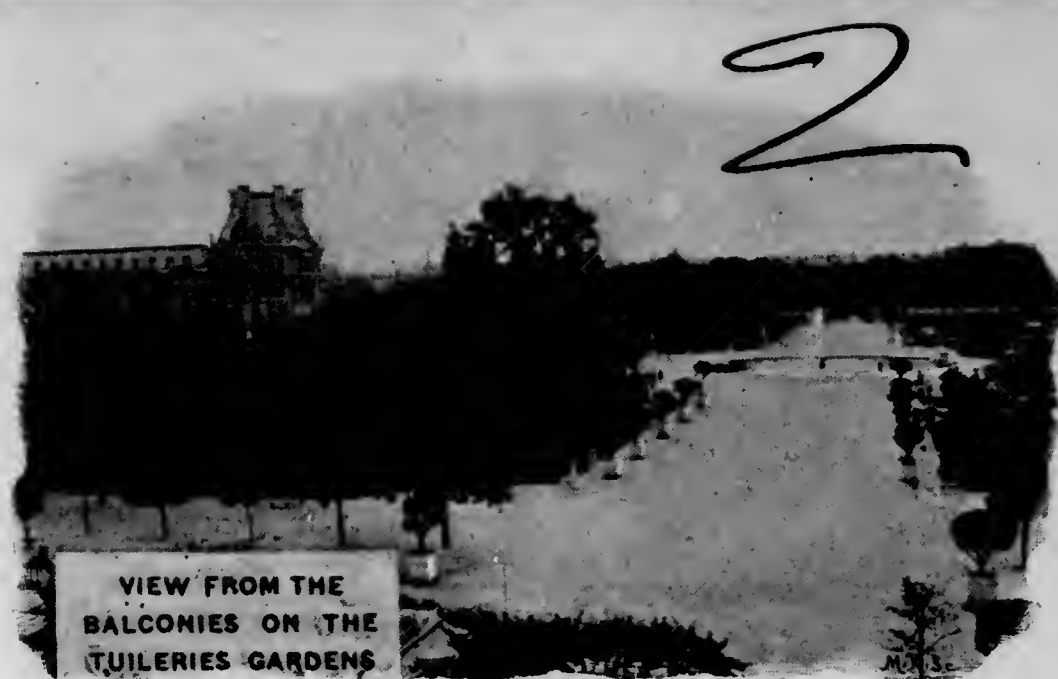
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Francisco papers had  
published something the  
day before so before  
I was dressed in the  
morning reporters began  
to call for news. I got  
out with Orrin and  
went to the Holland House  
and we sat around  
in our frock coats  
and white ties waiting  
for the time. We went  
to the church a little  
before eleven. Millie  
was there. She had been

crying a little with  
excitement, and happiness  
too I think. The bishop  
came in promptly on  
time. Orrin and I went  
in back of the chantry  
and waited for the sound  
of a little bell which  
gave us our cue.

The Chantry was very  
beautifully decorated with  
colored roses and apple  
blossoms. <sup>Our wedding</sup> It was cheerful  
and not to be mistaken  
for a funeral. I never  
think of our friends now  
present. The bell rang



o'clock and time to go  
to the steamer. We drove  
to the docks. A man  
tried to serve me with  
a summons and Canolho  
wouldn't let him. We  
got aboard the boat  
and somebody pelted us  
with rice. I think it was  
Andy Lawrence. People  
began to suspect they  
had a bride on board.  
Then Benny brought your  
beautiful brooch. It  
staggered me and Millie  
was just knocked all  
of a heap. She didn't  
know whether to laugh



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PARIS

"Keep tabs" on me. They  
I kissed Millie and the  
audience applauded. The  
bishop hushed them and  
appeared to be rather  
shocked but wasn't.  
We went away after  
shaking hands with  
everybody. All seemed  
pleased! Lawrence was  
crying. The bishop said  
"Hazard you are the right port"

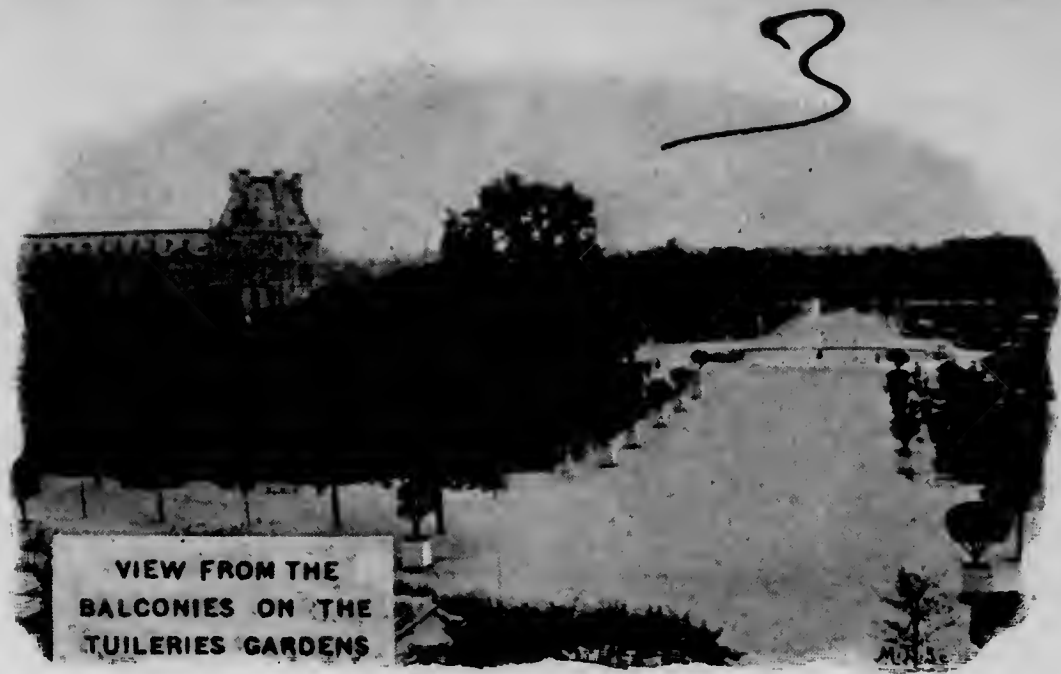
As I guess he was pleased  
too.

After the marriage a  
few of us went to the  
Waldorf. We had not  
intended to have a wedding  
breakfast but we had  
to have some kind of a  
breakfast as not many  
had eaten anything yet.  
I hadn't for one. We  
therefore decided to have  
a spread and I told Oscar  
all about it. He got  
the Astor dining room  
ready and made it very  
beautiful in surprisingly  
short time. We had

our breakfast. Presents  
and reporters arrived  
alternately. I went down  
stairs and sent you  
a long telegram. I hope  
you got that. Then Millie  
and I went up stairs  
to Fall and got photographed  
to please the reporters. When  
we got back everybody  
had been drinking toast  
and were in the usual  
wedding breakfast condition.  
We had had boillon  
and now had ice cream.  
I don't know what happened  
between. It didn't happen  
to us. Now it was three

as to lunch on at the club and had his sister there and Sir Hamilton Bould Adams premier of something or other in South Africa. Next we went to his home and saw his ma. She was a fine old lady with white hair and an inquisitive disposition.

She poured tea, and had had lady something or other come in. They were queer. Lady something or other was giggled most peculiarly, and



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or any. She had presence of mind enough to pin it on. She said she only wished she could have been married in it. Quinn said Mrs. Spicketel was on board. Nellie said she didn't care, she guessed Mrs. Spicketel didn't have an emerald brooch like that. I sort of surmised she didn't either from the way she stared at it at dinner later. The big

boat moved out with everybody cheering, and then sailed down the harbor and out upon the ocean with the sun shining beautifully and the sea as peaceful as a pond. We had a splendid time that day but the succeeding days were not so calm.

Bispham was on board. He rather took a fancy to Millie and talked with her whenever she could get on deck. Mr. and Mrs. Beale were very nice and so to my

surprise were Mr. and Mrs. Alder. Baden Packer was on board. We didn't meet him until we had landed. Then on our way to London he came into our car and introduced himself. It was very pleasant and stayed and talked quite a lot. When we got to London he said he wanted to see us again for a dinner and gave us his club address.

Orin went to see him there. He asked

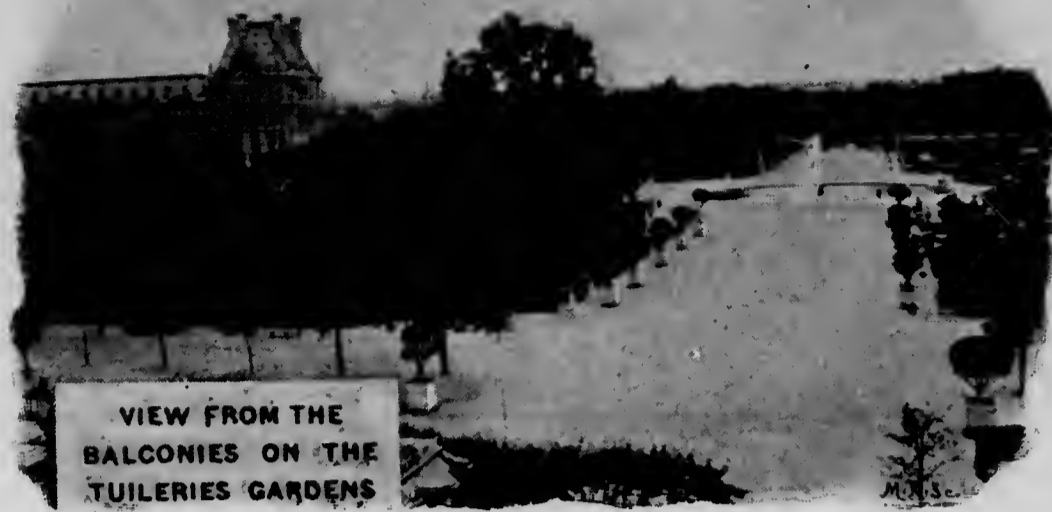
and for having made us so  
happy and for everything.

I hope you will come  
abroad for Will is very  
anxious to have you come  
and I am too.

I am sure you would  
have a delightful time  
in the automobile and  
then your coming would  
make our wedding trip  
perfect in every way.

Your loving daughter  
Millicent

P.S.  
Our mother, Orion is sick again,  
but I hope he will be better in a  
few days. Janet is here with him. Will.



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208, Rue de Rivoli

PARIS

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didn't do anything but  
just breathe wheezily  
and drink tea. So many  
English people are queer  
Baden Powell showed  
us all his swords and  
things. The day following  
he came to dinner with  
<sup>his</sup> his aide de camp and  
we took him to the play  
afterwards. Then we  
came to Paris. The weather

was awful in London.  
It is better here. I don't  
know what has become  
of the Budds. They have  
mysteriously disappeared.

We are not sorry for  
we want to be alone  
for awhile. We are  
going on a little trip  
to Spain and we hope  
that when we return  
you will be over and  
you and Millie and  
Arin and I can go  
through Germany together  
and have a lovely  
time.

Millie wants to add  
a line to tell you how  
fine she thinks you have  
been. I tell her you are  
finer than that when  
she shall come to know  
you, — and I think you  
will find that she is  
nicer than you can  
imagine when you know  
her better. We are all  
pretty nice folk aren't  
we.

Your affectionate son  
Will.

Dear Mrs Hearst, I thank  
you so very much for the  
telegram and the brooch

(W.R.Hearst - May 1903)

Hotel Wagram  
208, Rue de Rivoli  
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Dear Mother:

We have got to Paris and are about to start on our automobile trip. We had a rough passage on the Atlantic and a nasty one on the Channel but otherwise everything has been very pleasant and we have been very happy.

The day of the wedding was very fine. The San Francisco papers had published something the day before so before I was dressed in the morning reporters began to call for news. I got out with Orrin and went to the Holland House and we sat around in our frock coats and white ties waiting for the time. We went to the church a little before eleven. Millie was there. She had been crying a little with excitement, and happiness, too, I think. The bishop came in promptly on time. Orrin and I went in back of the chantry and waited for the sound of a little bell which gave us our cue.

The chantry was very beautifully decorated with colored roses and apple blossoms. Our wedding was cheerful and not to be mistaken for a funeral. Some thirty of our friends were present. The bell rang, Orrin and I stepped out to the altar. The bishop looked very grand and solemn. Anita came up with Millie and her pa. They didn't have any bouquet. I had forgotten to bring it. Millie didn't mind. She stepped up alongside me trembling and frightened. The bishop married us. Then he kissed Millie quite a smack

(W.R.Hearst, Paris, May 1903)--#2

and patted her on the head and told her he wanted her to come and see him when she returned and that she and he would "keep tabs" on me. Then I kissed Millie and the audience applauded. The bishop hushed them and appeared to be rather shocked but wasn't. We went away after shaking hands with everybody. All seemed pleased. Davenport was crying. The bishop said "Hearst you are the right sort" so I guess he was pleased too.

After the marriage a few of us went to the Waldorf. We had not intended to have a wedding breakfast but we had to have some kind of a breakfast as not many had eaten anything yet. I hadn't for one. We therefore decided to have a spread and I told Oscar all about it. He got the Astor dining room ready and made it very beautiful in surprisingly short time. We had our breakfast. Presents and reporters arrived alternately. I went down stairs and sent you a long telegram. I hope you got that. Then Millie and I went up stairs to Falk and got photographed to please the reporters. When we got back everybody had been drinking toasts and were in the usual wedding breakfast condition. We had had bouillon and now had ice cream. I don't know what happened between. It didn't happen to us. Now it was three o'clock and time to go to the steamer. We drove to the docks. A man tried to serve me with a summons and Carvalho wouldn't let him. We got aboard the boat and somebody pelted us with rice. I think it was Andy Lawrence. People began to suspect they had a bride on board. Then Benny brought your beautiful brooch. It staggered me and Millie was just knocked all of a heap. She didn't know whether to laugh

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(W.R.Hearst, Paris, May 1903)--#4

Baden Powell showed us all his swords and things. The day following he came to dinner with us, he and his aide de camp and we took him to the play afterwards. Then we came to Paris. The weather was awful in London. It is better here. I don't know what has become of the Budds. They have mysteriously disappeared. We are not sorry for we want to be alone for awhile. We are going on a little trip to Spain and we hope that when we return you will be over and you and Millie and Orrin and I can go through Germany together and have a lovely time.

Millie wants to add a line to tell you how fine she thinks you have been. I tell her you are finer than that when she shall come to know you, - and I think you will find that she is nicer than you can imagine, when you know her better. We are all pretty nice folk aren't we.

Your affectionate son

Will.

Dear Mrs. Hearst,

I thank you so very much for the telegram and the brooch and for having made us so happy and for everything. I hope you will come abroad for Will is very anxious to have you come and I am too.

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Your loving daughter

Millicent

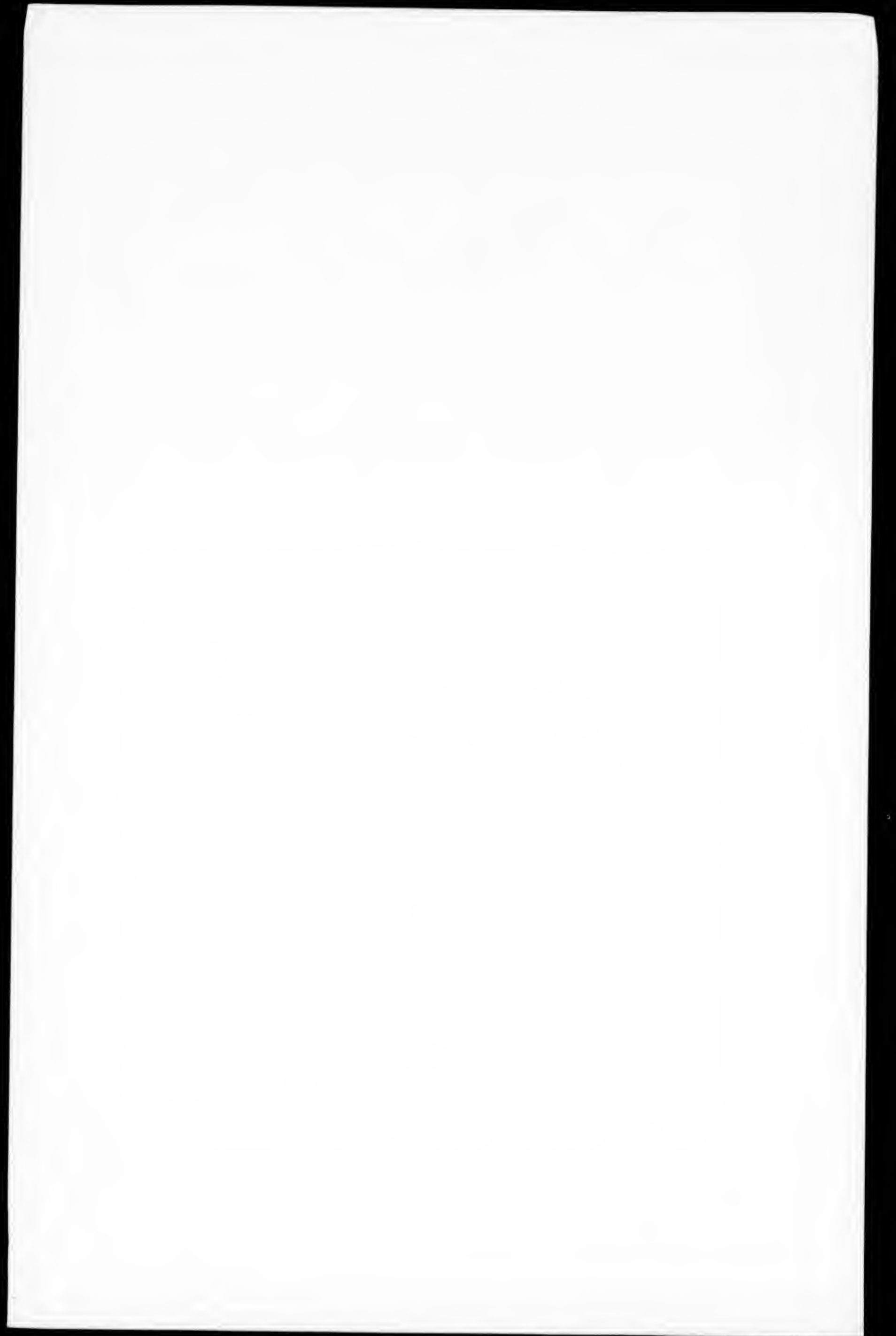


(W.R.Hearst, Paris, May 1903)--#5

P.S.--

Dear Mother, Orrin is sick again,  
but I hope he will be better in a few days.  
Janet is here with him.-

Will.



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THE ADDRESS ONLY TO BE  
WRITTEN HERE.



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FROM AN ORIGINAL WATER COLOUR DRAWING BY C. EBBERHORN CORKE.

Dear Mother! This  
is Knole. We didn't  
see it. The auto broke  
down and we are  
now on the train  
to Dover. Knole must  
be very fine from the  
postcard. We are disappointed  
at not seeing it and  
shaking hands will  
see all college chums.  
THE CHAPEL--KNOLE.  
Eveswell, West all well.  
and and much love Will

To  
Mrs P.A. Kent  
The Hacienda  
Pleasanton  
California  
U.S.A

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U.D.Ogden, Utah., April. 20-th.1903.

Mrs. P. A. Hearst,

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Care Examiner, San Francisco, Calif.

Please telephone mother following immediately. Carvalho telegraphs me impossible get anything but single berths for a month. travel unprecedented. I have wired williams get special car leave San Francisco wednesday arrive New York Sunday afterwards you can attend commencement if you have to although I consider Mount-Vernon much more important you can then join us abroad. Will postpone trip to Germany until you arrive. Will then go Germany meet Kaizer and have fine time. I think this is just exactly right. Bring Mrs Peck she can visit relatives in East and then come abroad with you. \*Please dont hesitate get right on the private car and come bring jasper and Alice.

Will.

(W.R.Hearst - Telegram)

Ogden, Utah, April 20th, 1903.

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ROBERT C. CLOWRY, President and General Manager.

**RECEIVED at BERKELEY, CAL.** April 28 3-40P. M. 1903

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WX, New York, N. Y. April 28

Mrs. P. A. Hearst, Berkeley, Cal.

Your lovely telegram made everybody very happy. The wedding occurred today at eleven in the Chantry of Grace Church, Bishop Potter officiated. He asked after you, he kissed the Bride and says that he wanted to know her better and that when we returned he would help her keep tabs on the Groom. He was extremely kind and pleasant, about thirty people attended, the weather was perfect spring day not a cloud. Orrin was an ideal best man. We send the greatest love to you and many thanks to Anne and Mrs. Kinkuin and the Sanborns and Wheelers and other kind friends for their telegrams of congratulations.

Will.

(W.R.Hearst - Telegram)

New York - April 28, 1903.

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Will.

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RECEIVED at Berkeley, Cal.

May 5 2-10P. M.

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London

Mrs. P. A. Hearst, Berkeley (Cal)

Arrived well and happy your beautiful present reached Millicent on boat just before leaving you have never seen anyone so delighted everything was lovely that day but the present was the climax of all please cable that you are well again and that you will be here with us soon I engaged staterooms on the Kaiser second leaving May twenty sixth I want to see you do come then.

Will.

(W.R. Hearst-Cablegram)

London, May 5 1903.

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Arrived well and happy your beautiful present reached Millicent on boat just before leaving you have never seen anyone so delighted everything was lovely that day but the present was the climax of all please cable that you are well again and that you will be here with us soon I engaged staterooms on the Kaiser second leaving May twenty sixth I want to see you do come then.

Will.

Copy of Cable message  
from Wm. July 28. — 1903

Aunt said married October, or  
last Sept. so engaged return  
passage on Kaiser. Sept 8<sup>th</sup> your  
letters said Sept 15<sup>th</sup> or 17<sup>th</sup>  
so changed with difficulty  
to Dutchland. Sept 2<sup>nd</sup> now  
Telegrams say seventh or  
Tenth. Don't think can get  
there. Passage for all steamers  
sailing full. Am trying. Will.



POSTAL  
AND  
TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS,  
PLEASANTON, CALIFORNIA.

HACIENDA DEL POZO DE VERONA.

*Cable  
message.*

(Copy of Cable Message from Wm.  
July 28 .. 1903)

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Union Station Albany, Ny. Sep 9 - 1903?

Mrs P. A. Hearst,

Examiner,

San-Francisco.

We should arrive evening of thirteenth am bringing your dresses

they were stuck in the customs you should have allowed

your dutiful to bring <sup>em</sup> from Paris and save duty

and trouble. However, all's well that ends well, sonny to

the rescue, dresses saved, wedding goes on, dramatic tableau,

Milly is full of excitement and delight of trip west, I

am rather happy myself. Much love,

Will.

(W.R.Hearst - Telegram)

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HEARST, WILLIAM RANDOLPH

1904

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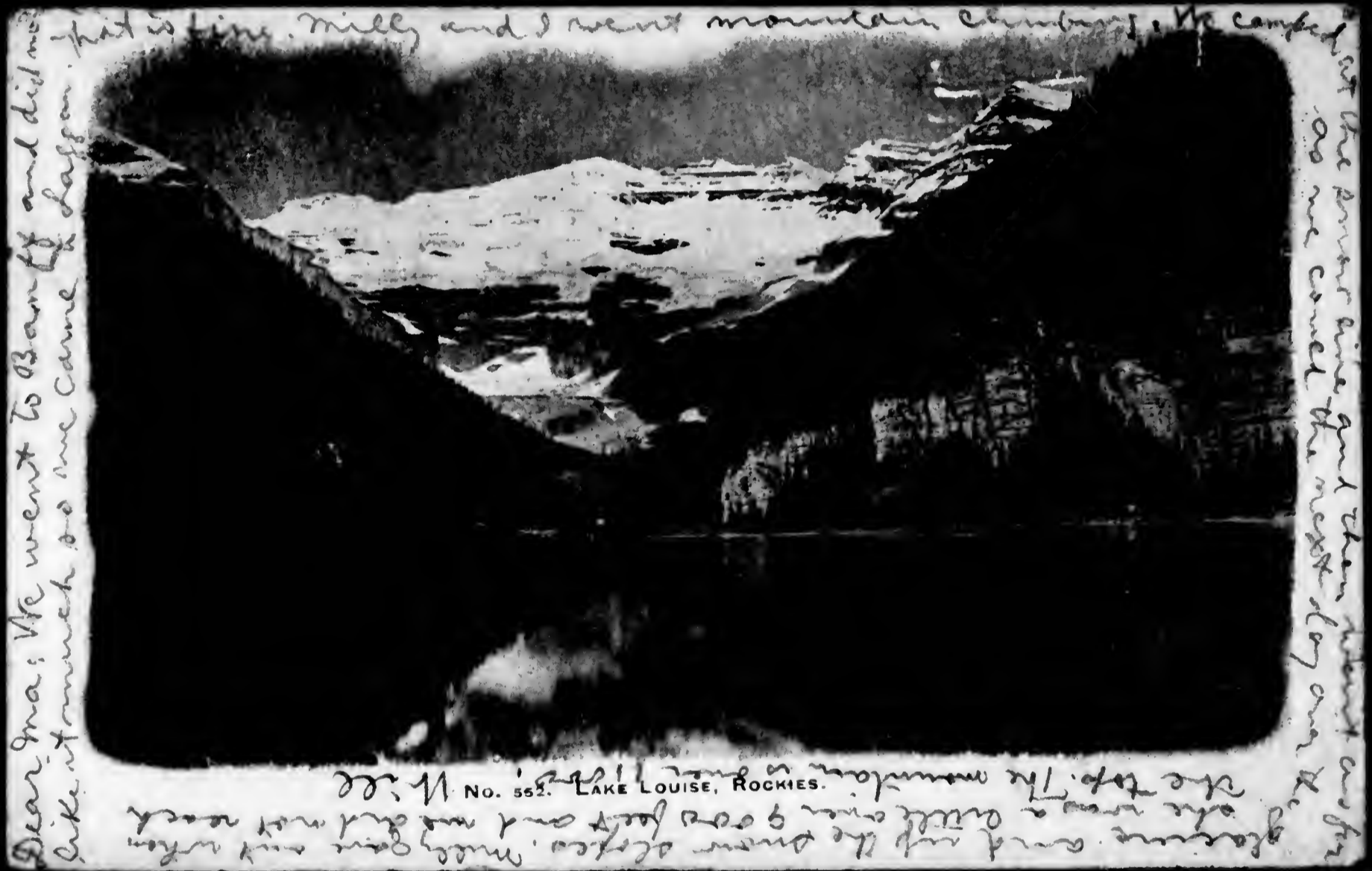
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RECEIVED  
AUG 31  
04

Mrs. P. A. Hearst.  
Care Armstrong & Co.  
Bankers  
19 Rue Scribe  
Paris.





Dear Ma; We went to Banff and did not  
like it much so we came to Jasper.

That is fine. Miley and I went mountain climbing. We camped

at the river side and then about 2000  
feet we came to the next day and the

glaciers and up the snow slopes. Miley got out when  
she was a little over 9000 feet and we did not reach  
the top. The mountain is over 11000 feet.  
No. 552 LAKE LOUISE, ROCKIES. W. L. R.



Note to researcher: Retake of preceding frame.

(W.R. Hearst) On picture post card  
Lake Louise, Rockies.

Aug. 31 1904

Dear Ma:

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much so we came to Laggan. That is fine.  
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over 11,000 feet.

Will.

OFFICIAL SOUVENIR  
WORLD'S FAIR -  
ST. LOUIS 1904.



Samuel Cuppitts Envelope Co., St. Louis, Mo., Sole Mfrs. of the St. Louis 1904

Dear Ma, These postcards are bad but <sup>as great</sup> as great.  
HOLD CARD TO LIGHT. <sup>It beats Chicago and makes Paris look like a miserable failure</sup>  
It will make you proud of this wonderful country which always <sup>progresses, will.</sup>

Post Card



~~to Mrs. Peck.~~

Mrs. P. A. I. Fran  
Hotel Gallia

~~35 St. James~~  
63 rue Pierre Charroux  
~~White House London~~

~~Paris~~ Paris France  
Margate ~~England~~

~~Heath~~ THE ADDRESS ONLY.

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New York  American

WILLIAM RANDOLPH HEARST

Dear Mother,  
I just had a telephone  
from Millicent. She says they  
are all well and send you  
love and best wishes.

I have also had a telegram  
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that the state has instructed its  
delegation to vote for me at

New York  American

WILLIAM RANDOLPH HEARST

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us.

I hope you will have a pleasant

New York  American

WILLIAM RANDOLPH HEARST

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Be very careful too mother. Dont let grafters get money from you.

I am going home now to my lonesome little hotel room.



New York  American

WILLIAM RANDOLPH HEARST

Milly will come down Sunday  
or Monday however and then  
I will have company.

I will write you every week  
and hope to tell you good news  
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Much love from your  
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1904?



My dear Mother, The baby is undergoing singular transformations. He has grown until he weighs considerably over twelve pounds. His hair is getting lighter daily until it is almost blond and perhaps he will turn out a tow head after all. His face has grown longer and he is developing a nose instead of the push button he started out with. I shall

take some more pictures of him in a few days. Meanwhile I send you the one I took of him and Millicent when he was only eleven days old. I hope you are having a good time and resting. I have had an awful siege here. I have stopped giving the slightest attention to politics and have been working truly day and night & straight things out. I get to bed about three and frequently am up at five again walking the floor and trying to think things out. I have not had one night's sleep

since you left. As a result I am pretty sick and miserable and blue and if I didnt have the family constitution I would be well along with nervous prostration or locomotor ataxia like poor Hawley. My eyes have gone wrong and I have had to go to Mitterdorf and get fitted for glasses. Imagine your dutiful son with his lamps on his nose.

Milly is well but pretty tired too as she spends most of her time at night rubbing my head and trying to put me to sleep.

If we get through the summer I suppose things will be better but if any of us get through the summer we will be lucky.

Anyhow the baby is well and dont seem to worry much. He will have his little troubles in time I suppose.

Let us hear from you often. Milly was greatly delighted with your nice letter. The hot weather is on here and I suppose the baby will have to go to the beach but the rest of us will stay here and sweat it out until happier days.  
Your loving son Will.

(W.R.Hearst - 1904?)

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(W.R.Hearst - 1904?) --#2

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over supply of affluence

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preferable and I  
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severest form so  
Milly and the baby



PARK HOTEL  
MT. CLEMENS  
MICH

1904-05

My dear Mother,  
I have  
found a place that  
beats Carlsbad all  
to pieces. The waters  
are nastier, the place  
is duller the food  
is worse and if  
possible there are  
more Jews. I am  
sure ~~we~~ ought to  
get cured here of

anything they ever  
had. All I am afraid  
of is that I may lose  
my own diseases  
that I am used to  
and acquire somebody  
else that will be new  
and unfamiliar and  
perhaps embarrassing.

There are all sorts  
of ring streaked and  
striped folks hobbling  
about and we all  
bathe in the same  
bath tubs and interchange

greetings and ailments  
in the most intimate  
and agreeable way.  
I don't know what  
I have drawn yet  
and I shall not, of  
course, for a while,  
but I rather suspect  
that I have added  
eczema scrofula  
and the itch to my  
present collection.

However my rheumatism  
is not any worse and  
that's a comfort.

I have had a touch  
of what our good

catter mauling at three  
o'clock in the morning  
and kept it up <sup>until</sup> five.

He is a smart little  
thing, if I, who am  
chiefly responsible  
for his abilities, do  
say it myself. Millie  
also admits it. He  
weighs nearly sixteen  
pounds now and  
about fifteen and a  
half of that is brain.

You see he does take  
after his father and  
his father's ma doesn't  
he. We all hope you are  
well and happy and will be  
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PARK HOTEL  
MT. CLEMENS  
MICH.

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exchange" societies  
and see what she can  
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any capital to go in on. She hasnt any diseases to throw into the common fund. No matter what she got she couldnt reciprocate any and thats where she feels at a disadvantage.

There are people here who could lend her a few and still have enough left to come into any game but she is backward about asking them

and so I dont insist. Maybe it will do her some good just to eat the bad food and be bored and mingle with the sheenies.

The baby is at the beach. He wont old enough to enjoy a place of this kind, and then he hasnt anything but a sore throat from "hollering" all night.

He may not have a sore throat even but I know I would have one if I began

(W.R.Hearst - 1904-or-5)

Park Hotel  
Mt. Clemens  
Mich.

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There are all sorts of ring streaked and striped folks hobbling about and we all bathe in the same bath tubs and interchange greetings and ailments in the most intimate and agreeable way. I don't know what I have drawn yet and I shall not, of course, for awhile, but I rather suspect that I have added eczema scrofula and the itch to my present collection.

However, my rheumatism isn't any worse and that's a comfort.

I have had a touch of what our good friend, Mrs. Leiter, calls nervous prosperity and I find that it differs radically from the ordinary or barn yard variety where one suffers from an over supply of affluence.

Plain commercial prosperity is much preferable and I hope we will all contract that in its severest form soon.

Milly and the baby are very well. Milly took one bath, but pahaw, you can't get any-

(W.R.Hearst - Mt.Clemens,Mich) -#2

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Affectionately

Will.



The American River and Canon, on line Southern Pacific

OVER

PLACE  
ONE  
CENT  
STAMP  
HERE

Dear Mother; George thought  
he would like to see the  
pony and the bicycle and  
Mike and Alice, - and incidentally  
you and his two brothers. He  
is an affectionate child, - and  
regards dogs and bicycles.  
We are sending him and Franklin  
straight up to the Hacienda.

POST CARD

We will remain in Los  
Angeles for two or three  
days and then descend  
upon the Hacienda with  
a large portion of the  
population of Los Angeles.  
Christmas comes but once  
a year but when it does  
it brings me and a lot

of other trouble.

However I  
know you  
don't mind  
me, - or at  
least have  
gotten used  
to me.

Your affectionate  
son Will.

The Cañon of the American River,  
California.

From the Southern Pacific Over-  
land Route between the summit and  
the Sacramento plains, the train passes  
scenes of romantic splendor. Ameri-  
can River gleams in its wooded cañon  
like a silver ribbon, calm from the  
heights but a turbulent, twisting tor-  
rent nearby. This was one of the  
views seen by the Argonauts as their  
wagons toiled through Emigrant Gap;  
here were the places where the miners  
wrested the gold from the hillsides,  
the nuggets from the beds of the tor-  
rents. A photograph gives no indica-  
tion of the atmospheric beauty of the  
place with the gleaming river, the  
verdant cliffs and purple distances.

(W.R.Hearst) Postcard (S.P. Adv. card)

Dear Mother:

George thought he would like to see the pony and the bicycle and Mike and Alice,-- and incidentally you and his two brothers. He is an affectionate child,-- as regards dogs and bicycles. We are sending him and Fraulein straight up to the Hacienda. We will remain in Los Angeles for two or three days and then descend upon the Hacienda with a large portion of the population of Los Angeles. Christmas comes but once a year but when it does it brings me and a lot of other trouble.

However, I know you don't mind me,-- or at least have gotten used to me.

Your affectionate son

Will.



The "Shasta Limited," at Shasta Springs, on line of Southern Pacific

OVER

POST CARD

PLACE ONE CENT STAMP HERE

Dear Mother, We have just arrived in good Blessed California. The light is real sunlight not artificial light the heat is real sun heat not steam heat, the Colorado river is real mud, the Yuma desert is real dirt and the Indians

Shasta Springs, California, on the Beach Waters of the Sacramento.

Shasta Springs, situated at the foot of the majestic Mt. Shasta, on the main line of the Southern Pacific, is a route between Francisco and ...

Some people may object to the horned toads the cacti and the tarantulas but I like 'em, I like 'em not for what they are but for what they may become. The horned toad will soon be replaced by the Eastern tourist, the cactus by the orange grove and the tarantula by the real estate agent. Most old Californians prefer the horned toads the cacti and the tarantulas but I am for progress and reform. I think California was the best country in the world and always will be no matter who comes into it or what is done to it.

9-11-120M)

(W.R.Hearst) Postcard from the  
train.

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Hurrah for dear old California.



N° 701. [Ann. 323 bis. Août 1904. — (Ecu bleu. 183.)] [9]

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Private Mrs Hearst splendid holidays under  
 California sun palms orange trees had  
 turkey from ranch your tree and presents for  
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 merry Xmas love from Millie Georgie and  
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HEARST, WILLIAM RANDOLPH

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early 1905?

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We had a fine Christmas. The tree was a wonderful success. It revolved and played and glittered and when Georgie was waked up out of his sleep and came down to see it, he stood for several minutes dazed before he would even look at the toys. He has had a lot of fun with his wooden horse and we took some photographs of him in the garden under the orange trees.

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W.R.

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both parties. On the  
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vote with equal independence  
and the situation will not  
be solved until they do.

I am greatly obliged to

EN ROUTE

PULLMAN PRIVATE CAR

Mexico City

1905?

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a few days. I am quite  
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quickly. I would have  
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the difficulty is in getting  
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here to California and attend to some business there and then to Chicago and then back to New York unless summoned back more quickly.

We are not having a very good time in Mexico.

It is the first time I have ever seen the weather here very bad.

Every day since our arrival the weather has been cloudy and windy and very disagreeable.

Our only consolation is that it is probably worse in the East, but it surely must be better

in California. The baby or rather the boy for he has got over being a baby, has a little cold and is not well and that adds to our worries.

When we get our business matters straightened out a little and forget politics we will be able to go abroad. I expect to go over in the summer and we will all go on an auto trip somewhere. I know some good ones, - some good trips I mean and we may have some fun yet. I could tell you

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I hope to be able to write a more cheerful letter soon when I get over the stings of defeat and get my business back in some sort of shape.

Then we can come over to see you and have a good time.

Affectionately Will.

(W.R.Hearst - Mexico City - 1905?)

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(W.R.Hearst, Mexico City, 1905) #2

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HEARST, WILLIAM RANDOLPH

1906

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S.F. Summer 1906

after fire.

My dear Mother,  
We are not as  
badly off as most people so we  
have no right to complain. We  
have not escaped however as  
of course you know from Edward.

I suppose he has written that  
everything in the building and  
everything at the McDonalds  
has gone but other things are  
all right.

The paper loses disastrously.  
The insurance will partly restore  
the plant but the income is

wiped out for a long time.

The Los Angeles Examiner  
managed to get into trouble  
at the same time so I am  
having my hands full.

We are having a pleasant  
time at the Hacienda which  
is a restful place after the  
destruction and confusion  
in San Francisco.

The Hacienda has not  
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will probably all have to be  
rebuilt and I should think

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it wise to build them in concrete  
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of the music room and some  
sag in the floor of the main  
building. My chimney and  
fireplace collapsed, but all  
this sounds worse than it really  
is.

In remedying these things  
however it might be well  
to do a little construction  
that would make the Association  
more solid. If you want  
that done please let me know.

It won't cost much more than <sup>mere</sup> restoration

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I am awfully sorry you  
cant come out. It seems as  
if we were fated never to  
be with each other and some  
of these days we will die  
without having had more  
than a speaking acquaintance  
- or rather a writing acquaintance.

Since you are not coming  
out I think I shall go east  
in a few days and attend  
~~the~~ Congress, and earn my  
salary.

I send you a picture that  
appeared in the paper with a

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there to direct the gang of  
pressmen and stereotypers  
who were at work trying  
to save things from the building.

Instead of rescuing typewriters  
and such stuff they might  
have carried out your silver  
if they had known anything  
about it.

Little Rockwell did his  
duty like a man at the  
Mills building and deserves  
great credit.

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The baby is getting big and  
strong out here. He plays  
out in the sun all day  
and enjoys himself immensely.  
At night he is so tired that  
he goes to sleep at his supper  
sometimes.

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sprinkle a hose.

The man who runs the farm  
don't seem to be a very valuable  
citizen. He has let morning  
glory get all over the only  
really good land on the place.  
He hasn't raised enough vegetables  
even to feed the help and they  
have had to buy their stuff  
from Pleasanton. A good manager  
in his place would I think do  
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picture and kisses that but  
it can't be very satisfactory  
just licking the varnish off  
a photograph. I think he would  
prefer the real article and I think  
you would prefer the real baby.  
He is no slouch baby.  
Affectionately yours  
exiled son Will

(W.R.Hearst, S.F. Summer 1906--  
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(W.R.Hearst-S.F.after the Fire)-#3

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Affectionately your exiled son

Will.

Summer 1906

4.7. after fire

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letter was not in envelope)

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the panoramas of San Francisco  
that the paper is running.  
I thought this one would  
interest you particularly as  
it has Mrs. Heads house in  
it and other surroundings  
that you are very familiar  
with.

The district is so wholly  
destroyed that I did not  
know Mrs. Heads house when  
I was standing on the ruins.

I thought it was the place  
but I had to ask a man to  
make sure.

I have put an arrow where  
the men are walking in at the  
side gate and a cross and  
circle before the front steps.

When you see poor old San

Francisco it seems as if  
you had come back to earth  
after thousands of years and  
were seeing the places you  
had lived in during a previous  
existence.

There are two or three streets  
in the burned district that are  
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activity again, - Market street  
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but the greater part of the burned  
district is untouched since the  
fire. I think business will revive  
soon but it will be a long time  
before the residences are rebuilt.

The insurance money is  
being paid now and that is  
easing the situation considerably.

However Edward will tell  
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He and I have talked over the

building proposition and I think we both agree that the erection of a building should be postponed until we have some definite knowledge of what San Francisco is going to do. I think that we should either put up a very cheap building that can be pulled down in ten years or we should put up a very fine building. If the town is slow, the former, if lively the latter.

I don't think we can tell what the town will do or what we should do for some months, perhaps a year.

I have been down at the ranch for two weeks and have had a great time. The baby gained weight and now weighs thirty five pounds.

He looks very healthy. He has made great friends with Captain Taylor. He rides a horse, goes down to the beach and goes in wading (the baby I mean not Captain Taylor) and generally enjoys himself immensely.

I don't think he has ever had such a hugely good time. We would stay longer just for the baby's sake only all Captain Taylor's daughters and all Captain Taylor's daughters' children are apparently ~~assembling~~ assembling here in visits to the old gentleman and we think our numerous family would overcrowd things a trifle.

We will go to Monterey as the weather is unusually hot at the Hacienda, Mrs. McLaughlin

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we think we will wait and  
see Wintoon when it will be  
like home.

We have had a delightful  
visit in California and I  
look like a farm hand and  
feel fine. The baby is big  
and strong and healthy.  
Millie is well and happy.

The only wish you were  
with us ~~and~~ we ~~of~~ begin  
to think that the fortune teller  
who said we were going to  
be such a comfort to you  
missed her guess as you  
are too far away.

Come home soon and  
see your progeny as Mrs  
Kinkum says.

Affectionately  
Will.



(W.R. Hearst-Summer 1906  
after S.F. Fire).

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(W.R.Hearst, after the fire  
in S.F. - 1906) page #3

but she isn't like a mother, - at least  
she isn't like my mother, - and the Zulu  
would be worse so we think we will wait  
and see Wyntoon when it will be like home.

We have had a delightful visit in  
California and I look like a farm hand and  
feel fine. The baby is big and strong  
and healthy. Millie is well and happy.  
We only wish you were with us for we begin  
to think that the fortune teller who said  
we were going to be such a comfort to you  
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Come home soon and see your progeny  
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Affectionately,

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*Horace Ldn*

*My Aunt following message for my mother A Green river Wyoming we are going to Hacienda and will spend summer trying to straighten things out in San Francisco It is bad situation If I cant possibly come abroad now why dont you come home and spend*

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(W.R.Hearst-Cable)

From New York, May, 1906.  
To London

(To Mrs. P.A.Hearst)

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Will.

P. S. ? When are you  
coming home ?

1906



Dear Mother;

Mrs. Mc is  
entirely mistaken about our  
leaving the Hacienda. We  
left because I wanted to go  
to the ranch. I am exceedingly  
fond of the ranch as you  
know. We had a glorious  
time there, - a perfectly splendid  
time. I wrote you how we  
camped out and fished  
and rode horse back. I wish

I were there now. We came  
back to the Hacienda later,  
and then came on last.

I have nothing against  
Alice. I called her the Zulu  
and joked about her but  
I didn't dislike her. Of course  
I'm not madly in love with  
her, - I don't like such pronounced  
brunettes, but I didn't care  
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and has been taken to a  
hospital in Oakland. Dr.  
Taylor says the baby is in  
no danger. He has had his  
water boiled always and  
moreover children of his  
age seldom have typhoid.

I dont think there is anything

to worry about. We have taken  
great pains to have every precaution  
taken and our information  
is that the baby is perfectly  
safe and entirely well.

It is awfully hot and  
disagreeable here in the  
East. I wish I could spend  
more time in California. We  
had such a good time there  
particularly on the ranch.

I am going to save up  
and build a cabin down  
there just big enough for  
you and Millie and the baby and  
me. Then I suppose you will go to Abyssinia  
and stay a year and a half. Affectionately  
Will.

(W.R.Hearst - 1906)

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I have nothing against Alice. I called her the Zulu and joked about her but I didn't dislike her. Of course I'm not madly in love with her,- I don't like such pronounced brunettes, but I didn't care whether she came or went,- especially went. Mrs. Mc isn't used to me poking fun at people and probably thought something was the matter but there wasn't.

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(W.R.Hearst-1906)--#2

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Affectionately

Will.

P.S.- When are you coming home?

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 me to leave on fourteenth will try to  
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W. R. H.

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HEARST, WILLIAM RANDOLPH

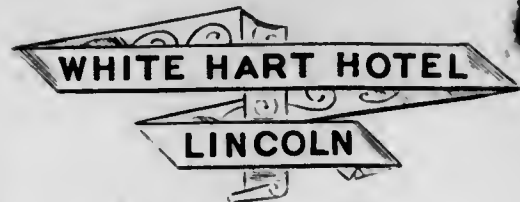
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were real astronomers  
after all a light spot  
came sailing along and  
the blue sky opened up  
right over us. There was  
the sun with a little  
black bite out of one  
side. The eclipse had  
begun. We had quite  
a long look at it before  
another cloud came along  
and we saw the black  
bite grow until it covered  
half the surface of the  
sun. A cloud came and  
went and when we  
saw the sun again three

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1907.



Dear Mother  
This place  
hasnt any ink.  
We ran down to Burgos  
to see the eclipse. It  
was really indescribable  
and I am not going  
to try to tell you much  
about it, - only about  
our good luck.

There were half a dozen  
or more astronomical  
expeditions in Spain,  
one of them at Burgos.

Not one of them saw the total eclipse. The astronomer half a mile away from us didn't see it. The way it happened was this. The day was cloudy. There were big black clouds and patches of blue sky. We drove out of town and selected a hill top about half a mile from the astronomical camp. We set up our telescopes. The people saw us and flocked from all quarters. They thought we were the real thing and knew just

where the eclipse was best to be seen, - and as it happened their confidence was not misplaced. The day got cloudier however; the blue patches disappeared overhead, and only in the distance could sunlight be seen on the hills. A spot of sunlight would travel across the country and we would hope it would come our way.

Just as the people were beginning to look askance at us and wonder if we

sailed out into the open space with just a rim of light on one side.

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we feared the sun was  
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and we really appeared  
to be transported away  
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to be in the presence  
of the machinery of the  
luminiferous ether. Away off  
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but everything nearer  
was dark and cold  
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<sup>us</sup> were the strangely  
beautiful heavens  
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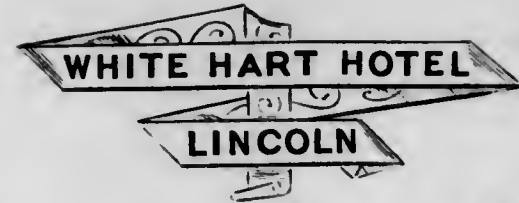
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(W.R. Hearst) re: Eclipse

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WHITE HART HOTEL  
LINCOLN.

Dear Mother:

This place hasn't any ink.

We ran down to Bengos to see the eclipse. It was really indescribable and I am not going to try to tell you much about it, - only about our good luck.

There were half a dozen or more astronomical expeditions in Spain, - one of them at Bengos. Not one of them saw the total eclipse. The astronomers half a mile away from us didn't see it. The way it happened was this. The day was cloudy. There were big black clouds and patches of blue sky. We drove out of town and selected a hill top about half a mile from the astronomical camp. We set up our telescopes. The people saw us and flocked from all quarters. They thought we were the real thing and knew just where the eclipse was best to be seen, - and as it happened their confidence was not misplaced.

The day got cloudier however; the blue patches disappeared overhead, and only in the distance could sunlight be seen on the hills. A spot of sunlight would travel across the country and we would hope it would come our way.

Just as the people were beginning to look askance at us and wonder if we were real astronomers after all a light spot came sailing along and the blue sky opened up right over us. There was the sun with a little black bite out of one side. The eclipse had begun. We had quite a long look

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at it before another cloud came along and we saw the black bite grow until it covered half the surface of the sun. A cloud came and went and when we saw the sun again three quarters of it was eclipsed. We studied it through the telescopes and saw sun spots gradually merge into the shadow and when we looked out through our smoked glasses the sun was only a crescent like a new moon and a pale light almost like moonlight fell on the landscape.

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We were worried about that black cloud for it looked as if we were going to miss the total eclipse. There was a patch of blue sky just beyond but would it get to us in time, - that was the question.

Well, it did. The sun sailed out into the open space with just a rim of light on one side. We watched that gradually disappear. All of a sudden it was gone and then there was a second or so before we realized the mystery and the beauty of the spectacle.

The sun had gone out. The moon covered it entirely but around the edge of the moon was a soft glow of light of truly heavenly beauty. The sky was a deep dark blue and the brighter stars were plainly seen gleaming coldly. There seemed to be a wonderful calm and peace and we really appeared to be transported away from the earth and to be in the presence of the machinery of the universe. Away off on the horizon there were red clouds like sunset but everything nearer was dark and cold and there again over us were the strangely beautiful heavens like the heavens of another world without a sun.

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The telescopes! In our bewilderment and exaltation we had forgotten all about the telescopes. More than half the time of the eclipse must have passed when we ran to the telescopes and began to study the corona and to hunt for the flames of hydrogen gas and other interesting phenomena. We saw the red flames in the shape of huge mushrooms thousands of miles high. We could almost imagine the roar of them. This was interesting but the sublime spectacle of the whole heavens seen with the naked eye was more fascinating and we turned to that again.

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I am so sorry you have not been with us this summer. We have seen so many things that you would have enjoyed. Milly has missed you nearly as much as I have. Please don't wander off again. Try a trip with us next year and I am sure you will have a good time.

Your affectionate son

Will.

HOTEL DE BELLE-VUE  
BRUXELLES

1907?

Dear Mother;

We are in Brussels. We came here to a remarkable reproduction of an ancient tournament given by the Nobility and Military of Belgium at an expense of one million francs.

It repaid the visit and I am sending you a program and postal cards which I hope will give you a better idea of it than I can give you in a mere description.

We were greatly interested and much excited during the tournament. The participants were very earnest and the effect was highly realistic. One man was wounded rather badly and bled a good deal and that naturally added to the realism.

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Your affectionate son

(Mrs. W.R.) and daughter and grandson.



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I met Doctor Gie Wylie tonight. He is just back from Nauheim and is looking extremely

well.

I suppose you are conducting fairs and managing universities and entertaining delegations and also working hard without pay.

Well don't overdo it, and don't get worn out. Please keep your health. I hope you will take a trip with us sometime. Think what a lot of fun you and Orrin and Millie and I could have on an automobile tour. If George is big enough we could take him with us. It would be splendid. Much love to all from <sup>Millie</sup> and your affectionate son.

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Your affectionate Son.

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Dear Mother,

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wouldnt go to Algiers, and  
maybe it is just as well  
that you didnt on account  
of the climate. I dont think  
the other reasons are good  
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you ought to get well, and  
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of people as escort that  
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am afraid you will not  
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You see I am talking  
to you like a dutch uncle.  
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to ~~talk~~ talk about your living  
until you are 95 but I want

to see you live until you  
are much finer and have  
a good time and good ~~health~~  
health besides. Hence  
the lecture.

Now I suppose you want  
some news.

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He acquired an acute  
subminal variety of malaria  
somewhere. The doctor doted  
him with quinine through  
the mouth for four days  
and it did no good.

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hypodermic injections  
of quinine. One doctor  
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(W.R.Hearst - 1907?)

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