

104 Irving Street  
 Cambridge Mass.  
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My dearest Father,

Just a few lines to let you know that I am well & happy, that is as happy as it is possible to be away from home. During the week that has elapsed since last I wrote to you, nothing has happened really worth recording. Mr. Soul came into the office on Saturday last at lunch time to see me, & we went away together & fed. We then took a spin down to Bass Point & Nahant & had a very pleasant little outing. I have been back at work three nights this week, working on a Court House Competition. This Court House is to be erected in Chicago & is to cost between  $3\frac{1}{2}$  & 5 millions of dollars. It is an immense place & will be a great job to get hold of - I hope the firm win it. Besides the room for the Full Supreme Court there are 10 other smaller court-rooms

I am going out to Concord next Sunday — that is to-morrow — if it is fine. I am rather anxious to see the place, & I hope to take a run out to Lexington too pretty soon.

Mr. Coolidge returned on Wednesday & was in the office for a short time, he left later on in the day for Buzzard's Bay — where his family are spending the summer. I had a chat to him for a few moments.

Mr. Witte the Russian Peace Envoy was in Boston on Tuesday & we were fortunate enough to get a glimpse of him, on Commonwealth Avenue. He stopped to let a couple of girls get a snapshot. Altho he let these girls get a picture of him, he has dodged all the newspaper photographers every where he has been. Witte looks a very intelligent chap & every one that has met him says he is a charming man to meet. Roosevelt has been making some alterations pending the re-assembling of the Senate & Representatives — re the

"letting in" of the Japanese to America  
 He tried to let any of them in, almost  
 without any restriction — but my  
 wasn't there a howl, & the poor  
 old chap had to alter that more of  
 his in double quick time. America  
 will only let in Japanese who are  
 bona fide "students" & "travellers" & "tourists".  
 I see an advertisement in the papers  
 every morning calling for "tenders"  
 for the supply of 5,000 Chinamen  
for 5 years for the Panama Canal.  
 That is almost as bad as South  
 Africa & eh!

America politically is not  
 in the same street as Australia  
 and why the Country is so progressing  
 & up to date & is yet run by more  
 than  $\frac{1}{2}$  scoundrels — that is what  
 I call <sup>them</sup> hope you will do the  
 same — I can't imagine  
 how here are Chauncy Depew  
 — one of America's leading Senators  
 & Paul Morton a Cabinet Minister  
actually proved scoundrels in  
 the terrible Equitable Life business.

Jerome the County Attorney of N.Y.  
 has commenced criminal proceedings  
 against them — together with  
 about 6 or 8 others — 2 other senators  
 being among the number — but it is  
 very doubtful if they will ever be  
 punished — Roosevelt is working  
~~to~~ hard to ~~clear~~ smother up the  
 show & of course that doesn't give  
 the attorneys a show. I must tell  
 you about some more funny things  
 that go on over here next time I  
 write.

Received ~~the~~ your letter  
 also the papers you very kindly  
 sent me — many many thanks  
 Give my kindest regards to Mr. Salee<sup>ca.</sup>  
 and with fondest love to yourself

Believe me

Your own  
bow.