

My best address
will be care of the
U. S. Consul
Nagasaki, Japan

C.4/c. 289

UNITED STATES BATTLESHIP KENTUCKY.

off Kobe' Japan, July 26/02

My dear Clark -

I wrote you a long letter at
the time of reaching the Rules of
Naval Warfare, giving an account
of myself since last we wrote
each other and of my family,
for I not only have a boy old enough
to graduate this year from Harvard,
but I have a daughter married
who has made me a grandfather.

It will be hardly worth while
for me to re-iterate for I hope by
this time you have received the
missing letter and know its contents.
Since I wrote you I had my photo-
graph taken in Shanghai and have

also sent that to your address
and I trust that has been duly
received.

We are here on our way slowly
to Yokohama where we may
remain until the new Admiral
comes out to relieve Admiral Bennett
It is the intention I understand
that Admiral Evans is to be
localized in the Philippines and
I have hopes that after I
take him to Manila that my
Duty as Flag Captain will cease
and that the ship will be
a more independent Command
Admiral Bennett is a personal
friend and I shall miss his
Companionship very much, but

Admiral Evans is not of so
Confidential a temperament and
I will enjoy flocking here by
myself. It is possible in view
of Roosevelt's great interest in
adding to the efficiency of the Navy
that standing and manœuvring
Squadrons will be established for
the Atlantic and Pacific Coasts
in which case we would do to
the latter which would professionally
be more satisfactory and interesting.

We have a promising young man
now as President with a good record
as a clean good administrator and
without any erroneous views as a
Civil Service man. He has some of
the faults of youth, but I think

will feel the steady effect of
peace responsibilities. He has the
burn of his convictions and is
not a trimmer to the breeze of the
hour. On the whole I think him
in almost all ways superior to
his predecessor.

I hope the Dominion experiment
is going to be a success in every
way. It certainly means strength
and I do not presume that the
sacrifices which uniforming requires
will be too hard for a population that
is really homogeneous. I suppose
New Zealand will continue to be
the experimental colony in matters of
social and governmental but that has
been always its role.
Yours as ever
O. H. Woodhouse