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Dear Susan.

I dipped my pen in ink Wednesday  
after dinner to write to you. When the doorbell  
rang nice quick - and Mr Miller - the next door  
man said, would Mr Morgan or Mrs. Mark come  
in, his wife was dying - I went right in as I did  
not want Emma to go - and she died in a  
few minutes poor soul - she looked 70 and  
she was only 46 - Stained to death - There was  
a very deaf woman watching her and Mr Miller.  
The daughter-in-law and son had gone out - the  
deaf woman knew where nothing was - I went up  
for Mrs. Flood - she had gone to bed with a large  
plaster on her side for a cold - but she got up, dress-  
ed and come back with me and closed her  
eyes and straightened her out - I covered her up so  
when her son came in she was all nice - When  
an old lady friend of Mrs. Millers came - I left them  
to dress and lay her out - under the supervision  
of Mrs. Flood - who really was very kind - Yesterday I  
went to the funeral - very small and sad - Mr  
Miller got a woman to keep house for him and  
he'll try to get some one to rent the house and  
let him keep a room and his shop - They were  
such unobjectional neighbors - just the Mrs. I'm  
going to have a change - she was a very nice woman.



This morning Emma and Hank left for the Camping trip, they've talked so much about, and I'd hoped was to last atleast ten days - they are coming back on Wednesday - so its really only two days camping - but perhaps that will be all Emma & Florence will care for - a horse is good enough for me - Hank is to do the cooking - and as he is a young man who takes my little hints about details - I'd like to be spared the cooking - Probably Emma will write to you today - All the week has been taken up welcoming the President - he did not come to Oakland though we'd done our best in preparations - I suppose you have had the news of Mrs McKindays illness - so the Banquets and Receptions prepared for her - the President had all to be canceled through the gentlemen had to pay for them just the same - As Mrs McKinday was much better yesterday the President did launch the Battleship Ohio - I went out as a spectator to see it - and the Bay was full of boats - I'll mail you the papers - I did not go - nor did Emma as she had an examination - I saw the President this afternoon he arrived - had a chair look at him - Mr North had a window in the Occidental Hotel on the Parlor floor - he looks just like his Pictures, and was very pleasant - held his hat in his hand, bowed and smiled to everyone, that night Mrs McKinday got worse and he did not go to Berkeley or come to Oakland - my car broke the lamp shed and a best cup and I've just heard something



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It was dinner time before I'd written enough for a  
letter - we'd just finished dinner - when Anne  
Brewer arrived - she could not get a berth of  
any kind on the steamer leaving New York on the  
22<sup>nd</sup> so she will have to start July 6<sup>th</sup> or take  
one of the Holland-American Lines - same as Argy  
did - she went home to write again to the Agents -  
then I went to church with Mrs. Tammam and  
Argy with Elma - he came home with Edie and  
Clifton Kroll - this morning he went over to Danbain's  
to examine a warehouse Mr. Matthews is building -  
he is real pleased at being paid off Saturday morning  
before he's done any work - I am glad he keeps at  
it and seems contented - Mr. Matthews told a  
gentleman that he was going on a vacation this  
summer - so I guess Argy will have a vacation  
at the same time - though he has such a lot  
of work on hand I don't see how he can -  
Edie has somewhat recovered from her weeks grief  
and does her work - but still looks real well yet -  
Emma is working on her Law preparation to "Exams"  
she has a new suit no doubt she's written you of -  
Sam is very sad, because Pa would not contest Mr  
Fellows election or get him in the Office as Book-  
keeper - he is a most peculiar child - seems  
to think he can fill any position with no pre-  
vious preparation or experience - in most things  
he is very sensible and grown up - I received today  
a very pleasant letter from Sam



We are all very glad you got your "Mentor" -  
Hope your teeth are all right - Long you have  
had so much suffering - it always is best  
to go to a real good Dentist - If you have  
more work to be done - try to get a good one.  
I do hope you are safe and well -  
now I must go to bed - Goodnight, and believe

me  
your loving  
-ma

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