

Lake View Aug 29th.

Mr Eugene Field

Dear Sir and Neighbor:

I trust you will
pardon me for the liberty
I take in addressing you
this brief note. While I
consider myself to be a
fair to average neighbor
still I do not claim to
be a typical one; that
is to say if I were riding
along the levee and saw
a fellow who had been
slugged lying on the
pavement with his head
smashed and big cuts

in his neck I don't pretend
that I would get off my
horse and sew up his
head and put ~~cosmoline~~
in his ^{wounds} ~~wounds~~ and then
put him on my horse and
take him to the Palmer House
and hire a room and
give Potter Palmer a blank
check to pay Doctors^r and
professional nurses and
buy sick delicacies. For
the reason that I don't like
to be considered unneighborly
I have for some time
hesitated about bringing
the following subject to
your attention but have

finally concluded to to
take my chances of
being called a hicker.
Now to come to the
matter in hand without
further "prelude" I would
like to ask if you would
have any objection to
requesting, in a kindly
and polite manner, that
tenant of yours who
resides on the north end of
your premises to lower
his voice just a little, say
to about the tone of an
ordinary fog horn that
can be heard no farther
than two miles away. Now
understand I don't want

to be unreasonable ~~not~~
to interfere with his his
musical pleasures.

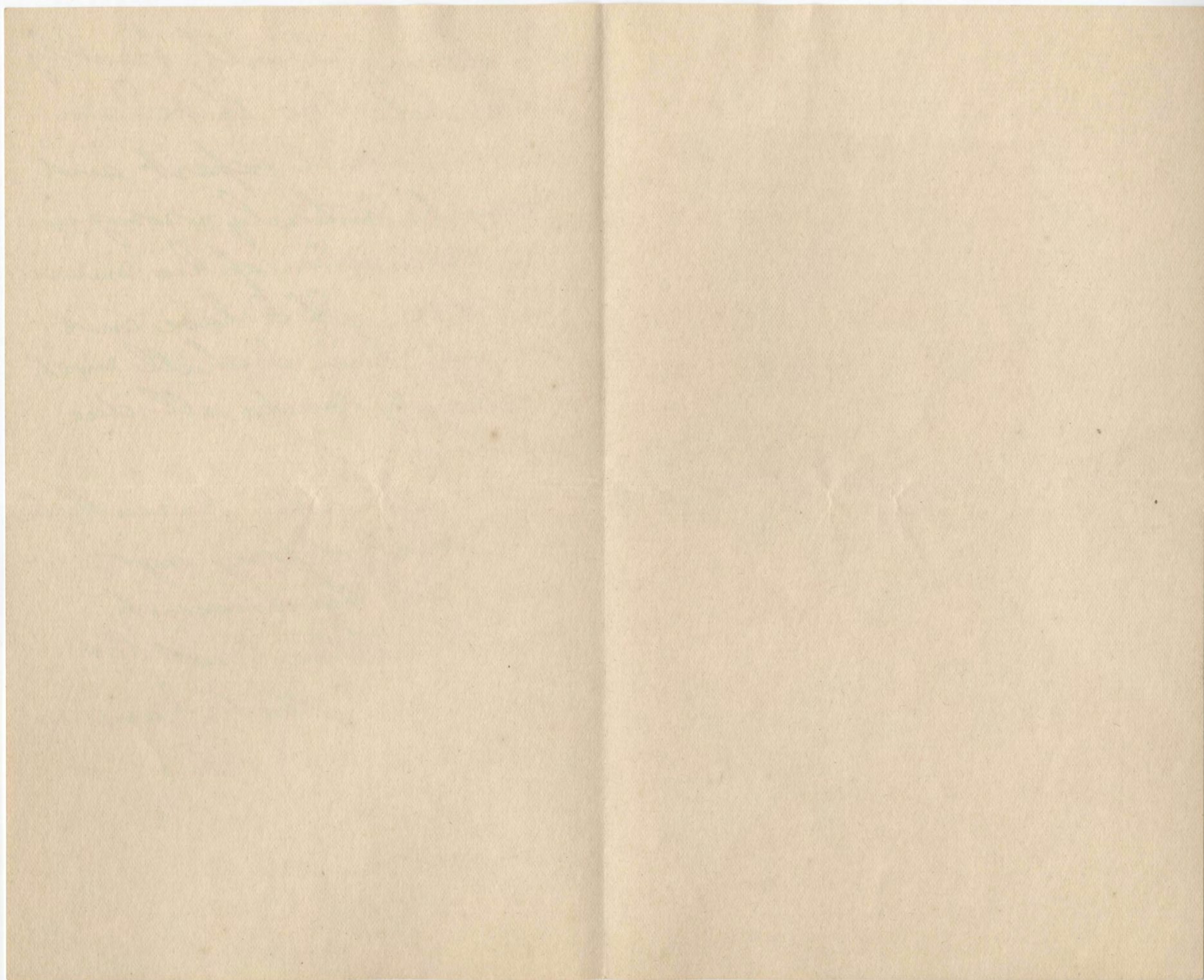
But I cant understand
why he dont do his wheeking
down at the Chicago Opera
House. If the Ali Baba Co.
wont furnish him room
why in thunder dont he
quit and join some Company
that will. You can also
truthfully say to him that
if he thinks that Joe Medill
lives in this neighborhood
he has been misinformed
and that he is a big chump
if he thinks the inhabitants
of Mars can understand
his infernal lingo.

In closing I will frankly
acknowledge that I am
no musical expert and
may be entirely wrong in
my estimation of his musical
abilities. If I have mis-
judged him I shall most
willingly make all due
apology.

I will add parenthet-
ically that I long ago
adopted the ancient
motto of "live and let
live" and that I am no
sectarian but believe in
the largest liberty to the
largest number.

Truly Yours

An Old Agnostic.



Ms. Abbott is ex-
tremely sorry to be ob-
liged to decline,
after accepting Mr.
Field's kind invita-
tion for this evening,
owing to uncalcula-
ble difficulties in

the way of a
suitable appear-
ance (not to the
weather, but her own
dignity)

87 Bush St. --
August 8.

Chicago. Aug. 17

Mr Field:

Dear Sir,

Please let me know when I can call to see you. I made a tried effort to find you last night, but found myself among some vacant lots near Seminary Ave., owing to the fact that your number was given me as 440, and hearing from some boys you had gone down town gave up the chase. Hoping to hear from

Yours soon,

I am respectfully

J. K. Baker.

264 N. State St.

Doubt we extract you
say you won't - who
else can. If you re-
fuse we will be in
despair. Any questions
upon anything of art
will do. We hope that
Mr. Head is on hand
but I must have some
one who will stand
in his place if he
is delayed.

I will do for you &
the death at any
call if you stand by us
today.

Very truly yours,
Josephine Bates.

56 ASTOR STREET,
CHICAGO.

Thursday morning
My dear Mr. Field -

I hope Mrs. Waller
has seen you and
arranged everything
as you would wish it.
Will you draw on her
for all the tickets your
friends can use. You
will have to come in
your very most gra-
cious mood for me

may be called to face.
Mr. Head was to prepare
questions to ask Mr.
Jefferson. Mr. Head
was to have returned to
town this morning but
at this writing we can-
not be absolutely sure
that he is here. If it
is at 2-30 he fails to
appear the Sunday
will just drop the
situation at your
feet and you must,
must, must help
it.

have from the begin-
ning anchored before.
You belong to Chicago,
its honor we know
you will stand under,
and you may have
to come to its rescue
at the very last min-
ute. We are putting it
as Chicago's honor
lest the Sunday's need
might not be able to
repress upon you the
awful chain we

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My Dear Eugene

The enclosed clipping is from the new Madison (Wis) Times edited by Will J. P. McFarley, who formerly was connected with the business dept of this paper. The bad taste displayed in some parts of the article may be forgiven in consideration of the fact that Will is one of your staunchest admirers, and does not mean to be offensive, but complimentary.

Respectfully
Beaumont

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My Dear Sir,
The enclosed clipping is
from the new edition (No. 1) of
the book of Will F. Woodford, and
was connected with the business of
the paper. The book tells of
in some parts of the article
his opinion in connection of the
fact that well in our day
the book of mine, and
mean to be efficient, but

Very truly,
Victor F. Lawson

loathing and abhorrence
as are unbusinesslike
persons. But it is not
I who am unbusiness-
like but the story
you wrote I always
write it with a capital
letter - That is because
I am afraid of it - though
I adore it heartily
Will you kindly tell
me what would happen
in the case I have mentioned

Yours very sincerely
James Freeman Smith

205 Dartmouth St
Boston

Dear Mr. Field,

Thank you so
much for your letter
which came this morning
I think I can do the work
if I may do it on my own
way without being obliged
to lug things in. For
just a dear little story
has been tugging at my
sleeves & saying "Write
me - I'm worth while" My
only fear is that it may
become a little
incoherent of it

is told to stop telling
itself when it has not
quite finished. That
would happen if it had
too much to say. That
could not be any other
world it, and you
know what Thomas
are. My feelings for
them is love combined
into fear. That is
why I am always
frightened when
any one asks me
- as you know does -
to decide whether

I will do a thing or not. I would like
quite the thing and then decide if
I could do so. I'm more willing
one to telegraph. But what would
you! I can see telegraph and
a thing that will only do as it
chooses. I am going to try to put
that in my mind. I shall write to
you to know to what effect - but the
will probably regard me with

DB

Tuesday.

Dear Mr. Child -

It will be
the greatest pleasure to
join you at the Richelieu
tomorrow to meet Mr.
Child - and to be "of-
with and for you" -

Sincerely yours -

L. H. Burleigh.

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Taryawhile
Diyads' Green

October 18th

My dear Mr. Field

Many thanks for
your kind remembrance
of us, and the picture.

It makes you look too
thin, otherwise it is good.

Mr. Cable has just returned
from a short visit to
New York. although very
tired he is well, and
would send his love, if
he knew that I was
writing. I am as busy

as a hen with one chick,
for notwithstanding I
have many chicks, one
especially claims my time
and attention just now.

In plain words all plans
and work, are for the
wedding which is so
soon to be celebrated
in our family.

Please give our kindest
regards to Mrs. Field and
your daughter Mary, &
believe me always yours
very sincerely Lavinia G. Cable

Miss Duke

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To the Domestic Branch
of Woman's Aux- Grace Bath

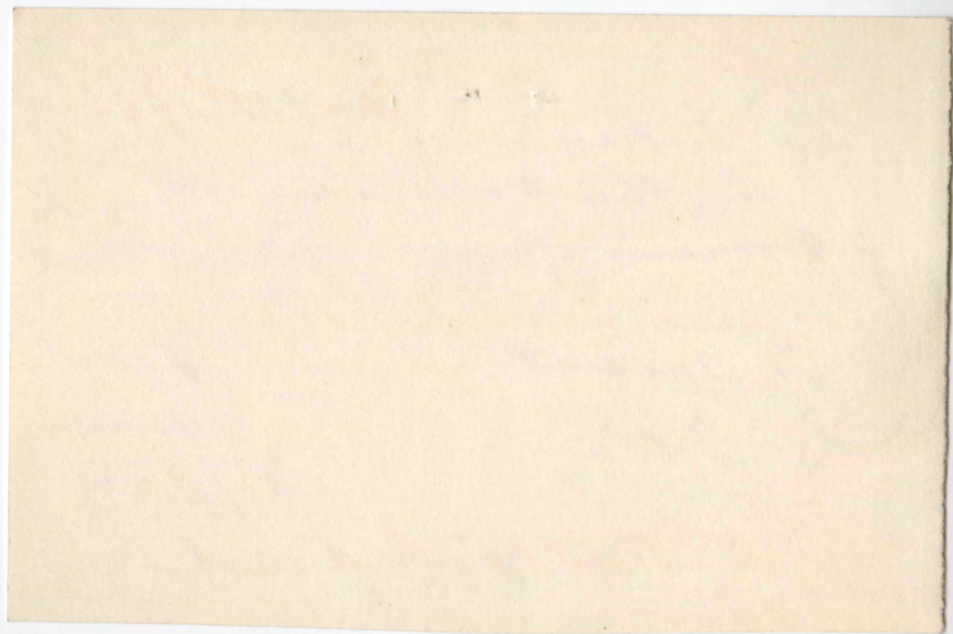
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gradually gain their Audiences.
Lillian Russell, is a success;
they say "she Can Sing" and has
wonderfully improved in her acting.
Give all our loves to your Wife
and Daughter. Where is Annie
Burger Lynch? and how is she
getting on? I hope Eugene Field Lynch
is prospering. remember us to
her, should you see her. Hoping
you will soon answer relative
to the "Shut eye train" and
that this, will find you and
yours, happy and well, is
the sincere wish of yours
truly

Julia Chapman

Mrs Knight wishes to publish that song
in America simultaneously with London

Sept 19/1

31, Michaels Grobe,

S.W.

London

You will doubtless, My dear
Mr Field be surprised, after this
long silence, receiving a letter from
me; but that, not being my fault
(having written you, sometime ago,
which epistle "up to date" remains
unanswered) I venture, to trouble
you again; but this time, to make
a request of you, for a lady friend
of mine: a charming young widow:
who is, coming very rapidly to
the front, as a song writer, and
such Artist, as Ben Davies, Chatterbox,
"Norman Salmond" "Antoinette Sterling"
are successfully singing her songs.
Some months ago, I gave her "
a copy of your ~~book~~ Shut eye train"
which she has set to music
and now wishes (with you

if he can visit his father writing poetry - he can
"come to his Neighbour", his Lungs, are all O.K.
Mr Cole, is expected home next month. You find
Dr Bodwell, is doing exceedingly well; he is Doctor
to the Chapman family, and recommended to all
our friends. Ella had, in spending her Holiday in
Scotland; she goes from Edinburgh to the Highlands
on Thursday next. I think she will return to A.S.H.
this fall. Ella says "she heard you had written
the words of a very pretty "duddy" "the music, by an
old friend of hers, "Dan Galtie" "she would like
to have a copy of it." Do you know Miss Hope Booth?
She has made a fearful failure here. She talked too
much of her own abilities, she intended to show English
Society's "how to act" she opened and shut like an Ogden
in one night. I hate American girls to make such sport
of themselves, why can't they commence modesty and

permission) to have published
If willing - would you write a
few lines to "Mrs Ellen Wright"
(in my care) stating your views
"Entre nous" if you require a few
pounds, for the words, she will
I am sure, willingly forward it;
so don't hesitate to name the
sum. She had "Belle Cole", in
her mind, when she wrote the
music, and Ella spoke to
Belle, about singing it, but it
was just as she was starting
to Australia, and she did not
care to study a new song - but
Madame Sterling is anxious to
sing it, also Miss M. Hensley: so,
what is Belle's "loss, will be their
gain." Will you kindly let us have
an answer, as soon, as possible,
as she desires (if your consent is
granted) to place it, in the Publishing
hands, as soon as possible.

I trust you and yours, are
enjoying good health: and how
does the last New Field, you
purchased prosper -? well I hope

472 Marlerton Avenue.

My dear Mr Field.

I can
think of nothing
more indigestible
than a cheese sand
wich, unless it be
pine-apple. I feel
sure if this is
eaten immediately
before retiring. you
will be rewarded

with the most
magnificent flights
of fancy you have
ever experienced -

Yours sincerely
Elizabeth Chapin

Thursday P.M.

Sometimes I wish I could
forget the past - but my
life is a quiet one - because
of my frequent illnesses.
Lately a lonely one - the
habit of retrospection as
well as introspection - all
coming within me and
I long with an insatiable
longing for the touch
of the vanished hands.
Thank you for your
thoughts of me.

Affectionately always
Mary O. Chubb.

3605 Elm Street.

Thursday -
My Dear Eugene,

Thank you
for the clippings and
the other enclosed.
Both have given me
much pleasure. You
must be very happy
to receive such tributes
from far and wide.

Some day perhaps
I shall write to the ladies
in Ballietts and tell
me - as you cannot -
into what a beautiful
and lovely woman my
sister friend developed

their eyes or me from
like her.

Since Christmas day I
have been a prisoner in
my room from an attack
of inflammatory rheumatism
in the intervals between
the spasms of pain. I
have allowed myself the
indulgence of looking
over and reading the
contents of a very old
portfolio - the letters.
One all received during
the two years I spent in
Bradford. after my
mother's death. There are
bundles of letters from

my father to his 'idolized'
daughter - from my boys
brothers - from your mother
to the young girl she
loved so well - from Mary
French, Julia Fisk and
two or three from your Aunt
Jones - and many others.
Can you wonder that I
have felt as if I had been
in sleep and was a
deaf-mute?
Then to your paper in the
Home Journal has carried
me straight back to the
old time. I spent many
happy weeks - gay, cool
weeks - in the beautiful
old home. And it is all
very vivid in my memory.

Nashville

March 6th

Dear Mr. Fildes:

Have you decided that
this girl has proposed,
been accepted, had her
name changed, and that
your dear little book is
wandering over the earth
in search of an owner?

Please withdraw my
such decision, for the year
is too young yet, for me
to have determined

Courage. I know who know me slightly, by
I can see me and those who know me well,
that some one has persuaded me to issue
invitations at an early date. But I am as
far from this step as when you know me
years ago and the distance is very large -
I have so heartily enjoyed my adventure
and the assurance that you will remember

me - and I would have told you

you know him, for to me
he is better than his work,
which I so greatly admire.
I hope you will and
happy these days. I am
better than ever before.

Your "little girl" is fast be-
coming a big girl in my
mind and some day when
you have her photograph
I would so love to see me.
Love Ruthie and such for
wish she kindly remembered.
Believe me - Ever your friend
Mary A. DeMott

Courage. Those who know me slightly, try
to convince me and those who know me well,
that some one has persuaded me to issue
invitations at an early date. But I am as
far from this step, as when you know me
years ago and the distance is very large -
I have so heartily enjoyed your Valentine
and the assurance that you still remember
me, and I would have tried to con-
vince you of this fact at a much earlier date,
Dear Mr. Fildes, but numerous duties and
care have weighed heavily on me of late &
I have seemed to neglect many kind friends
who have all the time been in my mind &
heart. Do you know, - if all my friends who
are your correspondents, could have made
themselves known to the world as you have
done, it would be such a comfort to me,

most anxious to learn the name
of the "Speculative Bachelor."
Col. McClure of the Philadelphia
Times. was here last week with
a party of charming Philadelphia
girls. They had all read the
book. One of the party
threatened to propose to my
brother. He told me that he
shrank from all embarrass-
ment. by speaking first. I saw
much of Col. McClure and
think him a fine man.
Thomas Nelson Page will be
here this week. I hope

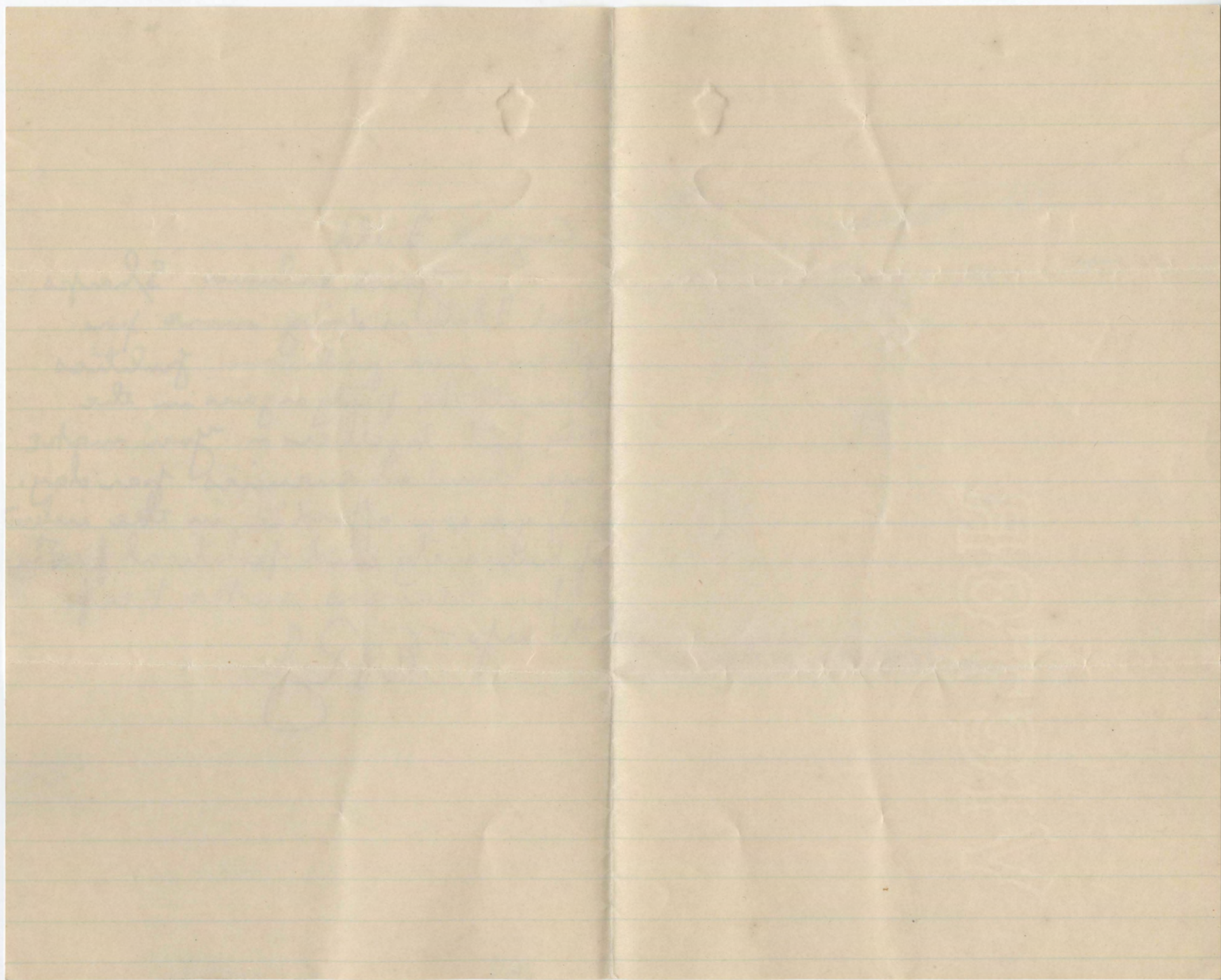
once you of the fact at a much earlier date,
than Mr. Tilton. but numerous duties and
cares have weighed heavily on me of late &
I have deemed it neglect many kind friends
who know all the time been in my mind &
heart. Do you know, - if all my friends who
are now correspondents, could have made
themselves known to the world, as you have
done, it would be such a comfort to me,

for the paper world tell me
of them. I do not usually
credit newspaper articles
with truth, but I never fail
to make the exception where
they concern you, - for they
always tell good things
in this case. Once or twice
I have written you and sent
a package, but if the mail
went wrong, the box was small.
I have read the little book.
"Hall's Life of Pope": much
discussed and greatly com-
plimented and people are

Eugene Field

Your column Sharps
and Flats, is doing more for
clean - non-partisan politics
than all the party organs in the
city put together - you make
one hundred enemies per day.

If you can afford it in the interest
of humanity and political purity,
for heavens sake keep
it up - E.R.F.



the boys are awfully kind about staying and sitting
up with him, yet I feel that I have no claim
on him for they no particular interest in him -
as for the women - Well - they annoy him,
and bother him - (such times as this I long for
Julius and myself - Of course there is nothing serious
the matter at all, but it is awful especially at
this time of the night - 1/30 2 - In - Did you receive
my letter And I know did you Lynch liked him -
I have done all I could toward a reconciliation -

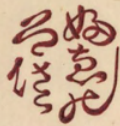
This must settle it -
The trouble is al-
most broken up - "Wendell" is
"bored" in spirit - I think his
heart, might explain to see
him sit - I am I
Pinner, I
my brother Julius
Loring -
Albion -
a line from Chicago
since my return two weeks
ago, still I trust that you
and the family are well -
The reports that we hear from
Chicago in regard to La Crosse
are simply appalling, and are
calculated to make us feel very
uneasy in regard to all of you
especially as Wendell has been sick



There is no sitting up -
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in bed ever since last Tuesday from it. For the past-
two days and nights he has had a very high fever
but no pulse. That is broken 5 - night. The doctor was
sent him so much that it - & since leaves him
very weak. Dr. Powell he seems to me more than
his share of sickness in this last year - I was about
gone to that conclusion that if you two men can
tide over so extensively the next year or so you will drive
the hell and thing again. It worries me that Powell

should be sick now, but when I think on very much
since some of my friends are I try to shake it out-
of it. Charles Rushing is very seriously ill in Philadelphia.
Mrs. Rushing was telegraphed for. The rest are immediately -
I am anxiously waiting for news of them as they are
out in the East. I wish some you would write
to us - some in or another. I feel so absolutely
friendless when Powell is sick - you know my
own family are not very sympathetic, and although



Dec. 20th

Dear Mr. Field,

I greatly regret
that I have not been
able to see you again.
Early in the week I was
looking forward to meeting
you at Mr. Williams'
lunch. Later I have been
too busy with my lecture
to come out to call on
you. I hope if you are
even in Boston, you will



let me know of your
arrival, and give me
the pleasure of introdu-
cing you to some of
the good fellows at
the Tavern Club. My
address always is
Museum of Fine Arts.

Yours most cordially
Ernest F. Tamm

I leave today.

1931 Calumet Avenue

Sunday Afternoon

Dear Mr & Mrs Field

I was very sorry not
to have seen you this
Afternoon. The third time
will be successful I hope.

How very kind of you
to remember us with a
Box at - McVickers. we shall
all enjoy going so much.

Mr Goodrich rarely goes
to the Theatre. I think the

They will just visit
him. As he is so fond
of New England scenes -

I am so much
obliged for the sweet
face of your wife. I hope
I shall see the original
some of these days, as
I have never had that
pleasure. In return I
send a Photo of myself
I think it must be
pretty good as the family
were satisfied with them.

I hope we shall have
the pleasure of seeing you
both soon - With kind
regards for you all.

Sincerely yours friend

Samuel C. Goodrich.

Dear Mr. Fitch.

We liked the poem
about just before
Christmas very
much

Dorothy
Harwood
MARET

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John A. Cockerill, Editor.

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New York, 28th April.

My dear Eugene -

That F. Laile, Frank
and Bismarck story is very
good. So much human
nature in it - the kind
of human nature that ex-
ists in my home, too.

And that handsome
cup in the Lucie's home
Journal of handsome
Mrs. Field was greatly
enjoyed at our home,
No. 170 Hawthorne Ave.,
Germans. Home and
on this summer.

Sincerely yours,

Charles E. Hasbrook.

Mrs. Eugene Field,

420 Fullerton Ave.,
Chicago, U. S. A.

UNION LEAGUE CLUB,
CHICAGO.

21 Apr

My Dear Lued=

Our lunch
party will be at my
house at one o'clock
to-morrow - Friday - Sol Smith
Russell will be there to meet
you -

Yr truly
J. H. Wood

CHICAGO
UNION LEAGUE CLUB

21 Apr

My dear Sir -

Our lunch

party will be at my
house at one o'clock

to-morrow - Friday - 22nd April
I shall be there to meet

Yours truly
W. H. H. H.

2 Bank St

3^d Aug.

My Dear Pro. Field:

I wrote
Cable as proposed after
seeing you & to-day have
a note from him - He
says he has had a talk
with Bond about the
proposed combination
& is very sanguine as to
results, but says also that
there ought to be no delay
in making engagements
and that this means some
publicity - that in the

various tour plans are
now being perfected for
their winter entertainments
&c - and hopes you will soon
have an opportunity to
consult Mr Lawson -

I heard that Mr Lawson
was in town to-day and I
hope before he leaves - and
very soon - that you will
get matters arranged so
that Cable can begin
to arrange dates and
programmes -

Yrs very truly

J. H. P.
Excuse me for bothering you about
your own business

Mr. Field.

Dear Sir,

Eugene has been
a been a great deal better
lately. He had a very
bad habit of talking
out loud, which is not
allowed in our schools, but
he is losing this habit.

He has the ability to
do the work and if he
does not do it I think
he has an excuse.

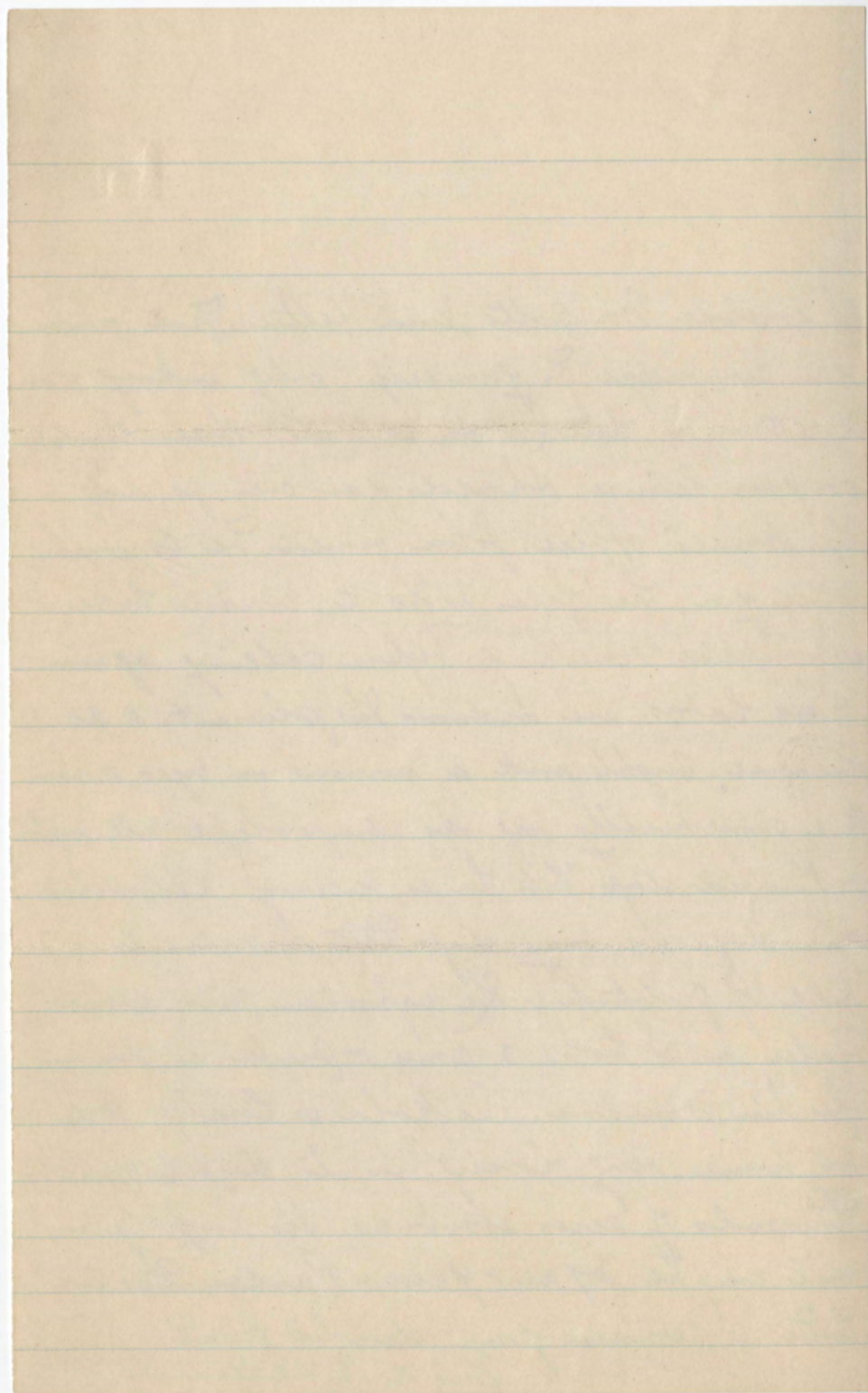
I have changed his
seat and perhaps this
is better for him.

Hoping this report will
please you more, I remain,
Your respectfully,
Saml. C. Benson

Kindness of Eugene.

Wm. F. Allen

I enclose Mr Scotts kind letter, from which
you can judge for your self; only asking you
to return it here (as we keep all these things)
at your leisure. Should you ever go into
the Herard office, John would be as happy
to see you. He feels as tho he would like to
accomplish something. Before calling again.
His labors are arduous & pleasant, & no
leisure. Night work is wearing on eyes & brain
to a strong healthy boy who always slept all night
& studied days. But he is becoming restless
& Sundays are busy days too. His heart is
full of gratitude & the expression will come
later on. I hope to come & make a home
for him, sometime. Sakala is lovely today.
My home very lovely, in its desert quiet.
Thousands of acres about us. Its hospitality
will ever be to you & yours - Pardon this long
letter. I remain your devoted friend
Chas. A. B. Willard



think they are interesting
and rather well written and
I have always looked forward
to some time having them
published. Of one thing I
am sure - they are better
than many of the stories
published in our best magazines
for I have written
them and of course think
them wonderful and in
thinking of Mr. T. M. F. I
can fancy nothing that
would give him quite as
much pleasure as seeing
them in print, but I am
or absolutely ignorant as to

My dear Mr. Field

I hesitate a
good deal about writing this
to you for I fancy you
are overburdened by appeals
from aspiring young authors
and, believe me, I do not
wish to impose upon your
kindness but I have in
my possession three short
stories which I have written
in the last ten years -
They do not aspire to greatness
and show neither genius nor
much literary merit but I

don't go to work about it that I am going
to return to ask you for advice and information
May I ask you also to regard this as confidential
and believe me as ever
Sincerely yours -
Norma Helman

Burna Park -
Saturday

for a new paper story - but
as my name is entirely
unknown I fear I could not
hope to get back even the
20 or that the plate would
cost me - As you have kind
enough to offer to write a
letter to a syndicate for me
I am wondering if you would
feel willing, instead, to write a
letter introducing me to the
public which could be published
as a preface to the book
and which of course would insure
its sale - providing of course you
approve of the story you have
not read, which is longer, and
more ambitious than either

My dear Mr. Field -
Your kind encourage-
ment and advice gave me much
to think of last night and
this is the conclusion I have
come to - I do not think
I shall ever write any thing
more - of course I may but
I do not think the impulse
will ever come to me again -
I will tell you why some time
when I have a chance -
Now I would rather have one
attraction for a book of short stories
published - even though it
brought me no financial
return - than to be well paid

of the other - I think Mrs Fair Jack and I -
and indeed all my family and friends - would
be to have me publish a book that was
approved by Eugene Field!

I am sure my dear Mr. Field that you will
not hesitate to be honest with me in this matter.
I do not think there are many men of world
wide reputation who would be willing to give either
time, or attention to such poor little efforts as
mine, and believe me, I appreciate it and
do not wish to encroach too far, but I know you
are my friend and will forgive me if I have
Always sincerely - Emma Estlin

Saturday afternoon -

To Cyrus Field Esq,
Chicago Ill

New York, 189



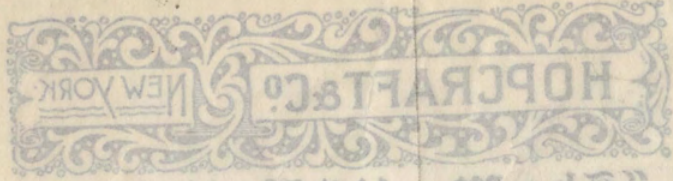
"The World" Building:

My dear Mr Field

Amos Cunningham
myself heard a friend read your Poem of a
Buy Cold Bottle & small Hot bottle & a flood of
sympathy & was awakened what pleasant
recollections were aroused he said write me for
two copies if you havent them when can I
get them

Yours Very sincerely
George Hopcraft

Room 132 West Bldg.



"The World" Building:

Superior Fine Gold
Chicago Ill

New York, 189

My dear Sir

I have the pleasure
to inform you that
the office of the
Superior Fine Gold
Chicago Ill
has been removed to
the new building
at the corner of
Broadway and
Wall Street
New York
and will be
able to
serve you
more
promptly
than
before

Office Chicago Daily News.

To Mr. Eugene Field:

My Dear Sir;

To-day
while at Jansen & McChurgh's
I was told that you frequently
spend a leisure half-hour looking
at their grand books. Mr. Hitchcock
thought likely I could meet you there
at 2 P.M. I wish to know you,
and to-morrow (Thursday) I will
be there at that time. If you
are prevented, please appoint
another time and leave the

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appointment with Mr. Hitchcock.

I am almost afraid to tell you that I am a little Ohio authoress who has come to Chicago to see the sights and care more for books and fine people than for fifteen-story buildings.

But if you are as amiable as you have the reputation of being, no doubt I shall tell you a great deal about myself.

Very Truly Yours,

(Miss) Kate Kauffman.

CHICAGO, ILL.,

Apprentice with the White coat.

I am always afraid to tell you
that I am a little bit nervous
and I am sure to Chicago to see the
right and see how you are
and how things are for you
every thing.

I am sure you are a good
man and I am sure the reputation of
you is high and I am sure you are
a great man.

I am sure you are a great man
and I am sure you are a great man.

If I can ever be of
any use to you in
a paragraphical way
remember I am
yours to command

K. N. -

It is now the
first of the year
and I am glad to
see the new
year beginning
with a new
year's day.

My dear Mr. Field

It is very
pleasant to see my
old friend "Cranford"
again, and in such
a fine new dress!

I have just spent
the most delightful
hour of the week
with Miss Matty and

regards to Mrs. Field
believe me

Sincerely yours

Helen A. Lathrop

March 7th

Martha and all the
dear, old people, and
I feel very grateful
to you for having
given me this pleasure.

You are most
kind to have noted
and remembered my
casual mention of
"Cranford".

With kind

My dear Gene :-

We all, don't know how to thank you for all your thoughtful kindness this Christmas tide, First the "shelf of old books" which I enjoyed exceedingly, the that lovely, delightful, dainty, just like Gene, Japan "Love songs" and then your telegram and all together you have done more to give us a cheery Christmas than any other person or thing that has contributed. I was away in Saginaw when the books came and have hoped to be with you now to tender my thanks in person, but so far have not been able to get away, Anna had a Cantata on hand for Christmas Eve which kept us both humping the last few days, but was

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a great success. I feel cowardly that I have not sent you all something for a reminder of the season but it will come later. We are anxious about Mrs Comstock as we have just heard of her serious illness and that Julia is with her. I wish we could hear how she is. Our baby Gene is having a hard time just now but we cant decide whether it is a new tooth or influenza.

Your "pactic" letter to Miller ought to bring that Beecher book, I know it would from me. The ladies in Battle Creek sent me a beautiful gold headed umbrella for a little present as I helped them start a

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JACKSON, MICHIGAN

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A great success. I feel encouraged by
the result of the first meeting for
a committee of the women but it will
come later. The one supply school
the Committee are in the first session
of the session will soon have that fact
is with him. I would be glad
to have him go if. One day there
is having a house that is not
with the Committee and the fact is
a new that is in progress.
The "Gospel" letter to the ladies
to bring that letter home to them.
The ladies are
that are sent me a beautiful
good letter and letter for a letter
which is a blessing to them.

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Ministrel show for the benefit of this Guild
in the Episcopal Church.

Anna Teresa is a little grumpy
over things just now and I begin to
suspect that she may be un-a-ta-ra-ra
but am not sure.

How are all Dorothy Brownies
getting on?

Did Pimmy come home
for the holidays, and how is he?

With lots of love from all the
Lynchs:

Mama
Leigh.



Auditorium
Hotel
Breslin & Southgate.
Chicago, 189

Mr. McCarter accepts
with pleasure the
polite invitation of
Mr. Eugene Fess to
lunch on Thursday
May Fifth to meet
Mr. Geo. W. Ched.

Wednesday.



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St. Louis, Mo. _____ 189

Mr Eugene Fields
Dear Sir

I take the liberty of addressing you presuming upon being a very old acquaintance & St. Louisian. I was a Miss Maggie Gore daughter to the old Capt. O. Gore & wife of Capt John L. McGonard, many old time friends are still here who joined us in many a reception & little sociable with also your two sisters for as to the import of all this Miss daughter Lelia Holstan playing the part of "Carey" in Alabama Mr A. M. Palmers homo stock Co. is in your city a stranger I am pleased to note from

several clippings in the Chicago
papers she was well received &
criticised. I thought I would
take the liberty to ask you and
wife to call upon her, & any
thing in the way of newspaper
notoriety that you could give,
her would be thankfully received
{As in her business as you know
is quite necessary} & I am aware
you occupy quite an enviable
position in Chicago. Miss Wolstan
whilst here last week, met with
a splendid reception & almost
every night her friends almost
filled the Theatre & the papers
unanimously praised her work, regard-
less that she was a home girl
she stood upon her merits.

Several of Lelia's little poems
have been published in different
city & if you think them
worthy of publication I should
like very much to have one of
them in print during the Ed's
stay in Chicago. Lelia is a graduate



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of "St Vincent's Seminary" here, & obtained
an extra honor besides the gold
medal, of a ring for the finest
Valedictory & essay ever written
in the institution I am sorry
I have only a few of her little
poems, the best are in her
possession, Hoping I have not
intruded upon your valuable time
& asked too much

I remain most
Respectfully

Mrs J. I. McCord

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M.S.M. Wed: Eve.
My dear Mr. Field

In response to
your note, I shall be
delighted to accept your
invitation for Thursday.

I have always heard
so much of "your field"
from Mr. Mac Donald

But I know
"the calf was
never told"

So for a few hours
until we say howdy
Believe me

Very Sincerely

Marie Stone-McDonald

as hard as she could.
 I am sorry I did
 not write this before
 but I was busy.
 I hat book I think
 so much of it. I
 shall keep it till
 I am a man.

Your little friend
 Stanley Macomber.

P.S. It would do your soul good to see how
 pleased Stanley is. He knows just where
 to find each poem, and sounds

"Eugene Field's" praises to every one. The
 people of Ida are quite ~~a~~ lovers of Eugene Field.
 Stanley was very sorry he had written to you when

I read him a few lines about you in Demostocles
in which you said you did not love all
children. He is laying great plans to visit
you some time. We are proud to know that
Stanley recd. so handsome a present from
the Author. He is now upstairs asking
this awful wind "who has been bad."

Stanley's Mamma.

May 3rd

4, CUNNINGHAM PLACE,
ST JOHN'S WOOD ROAD. N.W.

Dear Field,

I have long wanted to
write to you but could
not learn your address.

If this reaches
you I would be very
glad to see you again
and would like to ask
you & Mrs Field to dine
with us - my step-daughter
would delight you with
her violin & piano.
I send you my kindest

hereusement with deep
sympathy - Time only is
the consider for such a
stroke.

We are going to Norway
for three months ending in
June so I hope you will
be able to spare us
an evening this month.
I want you to meet
some people who ap-
preciate your genius
as much as I do.

Do you know James L.
Ford? I have a charming
amusing article of his
called Chroma culture
which you would enjoy.

I shall be very glad
to show you a fine
game of cricket at
Lords which is close to
us if you will come.

Yours sincerely
E. Morris.

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34 & 36 Washington Street,
CHICAGO.

My dear Mr. Child
I am going to work for
my unhappiness by telling
you of a kind of rare
and wonderfully precious
letters engraving, & other
English letters and notes.
Also a wonderful collection
of letters and sketches -
incorporated in the
letters. From Clara and
I found principally the
best of artists of the past
decade although some

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Of the present day - Coquelin
Jules Breton Detaille and others.
But you must come here
And give me the pleasure
of seeing your magnificence
longer for them - I do wish
Mr. San Salvo and Mrs.
Ellsworth could return -
Coming in soon too within a day
or two if possible - and
we will go together -

I have just conceived a wild
scheme of going to London for
six weeks - perhaps it may
be a reality - in July - don't you
hope so? With dear love to
Mrs. Field and yourself
Sincerely Alice & Jane

Indianola Place
Columbus Ohio Dec 16

My dear Mr Field:

I have sent you by this mail
the song composed to your verses.

If I have failed to do them justice, it
is because of my lack of skill as a composer,
for I appreciate thoroughly the beauty of your
lullaby.

Thanking you for your courtesy, I am
Yours Very Truly
Wm Neil

Wendell Phillips

Philadelphia Dec 16

My dear Sir,

I have sent you by the mail

the copy composed to your honor

if I have failed to do this justice, it

is because of my lack of skill as a composer.

You I appreciate thoroughly the beauty of your

language.

Thanking you for your courtesy, I am

Yours truly,

Wendell

few ~~opinions~~ of wisdom mixed in with
the gray matter that is at least supposed
to be in the top of my head. Right after
you left - Catharine wrote word - all so
pieces, took an anonymous manna to go
to Europe & to gratify her the public
raised in the neighborhood of -
will about \$25-00.00 & she went a-
cross the ocean with only \$10 for
company & is now so ill that her father
in Law Mr Shields is on his way to
join her to be on hand to await
the result of an operation which
it is feared will prove fatal.

New Orleans 2018 Prytania Street
New Orleans, Jan. 16th
Dear Mr Field,
As I was walking up
Baronne Street a day or
two ago, I suddenly found
myself just turning into a
bundle of smiles & you
won't wonder at it & when
I tell you I unexpectedly
can do so the pathway
of Mr Horace Fletcher
whose kindly ^{countenance} ~~features~~
& manners makes sun-
shine on the cloudiest
face. We stopped & had
two hand shakes & then
he gave me a bit of gladness
that has staid with ^{me} ~~me~~
ever since. It was ^{information} of a
package that he had

all together & in such an appropriate
dress. As I look at these charming
songs of childhood, with their blue
& silver coloring, I am reminded
of the little ones of the Roman
Catholic church whose mothers in
honor of the Virgin Mother, keep
them white in blue & white—
a thousand thousand thanks for
the songs. The book & the thought.
And since you remember me, I'll con-
mit a deal of coquetism & gossip about
myself. I am just about where I was
this fine last year, with I hope a

directed his office boy to leave
at my home, but which I
might have right off if I
would stop for it. And
so I stopped, & found
a little volume all
done up in blue & silver
that I must confess made
me very giddy indeed.

To have the poems was
one joy, but the affectionate
regards of the Author
was an additional one
that will stay with me
always. How did you
come to think about
me anyhow?

The poems are most
of them old friends,
& you know how thankful
one is to have them

we would have the pleasure of
knowing your "bitter part"
To reflect upon mind as regards that poor
printer who has to set up my copy. I
who am not going to print dictated
crudities, run my staff through the type
writer, which was so cold & made
to serve for the appreciation I have
for your kindness, so I inflect my
carders ~~personship~~ upon you -
Examine it & convey to Mrs Field my
kindest regards & say to your children
that with the rest of your readers I
am in love with them as their
grateful fathers & mothers.
With affectionate regards Katharine Wells

②
To come back to myself,
since Mrs Field's going
way until quite recently
I have been performing
her editorial duties on
the Times Democrat, which
means a daily column
& a Sunday department of
about half a page with
illustrations. I confess it
almost wore me to a frazzle
& now I know if ever I had
the selecting of a punishment
for my worse enemies. I would
entail upon that individual
a daily column to treat of one
subject (woman for instance)
to contain only locals, facts,
ideas, all clippings to be
practical & probable. Now
I am sure you will agree
with me that Dante could

New Orleans is moving on in the same lazy fashion, having tea & eating luncheons & dinners & reading papers & giving lectures & enjoying the delightful strangers who are always coming this way. Fridding to their surprise there is some knowing news round about here & having no warm friends.

Why don't you get sick again & come down this way. It would be delightful. Mrs Feele could come along to look after you & keep you out of "antique" danger & then

not think of any eternal punishment to equal that. At present I am trying my genius to help along a New York Syndicate which pays the I creeds I have turn in so far upon the back & promises me if I continue to be so well behaved to find a market for ^{all} my wares pertaining to women & children. I mailed my first juvenile sketches yesterday. It consisted of some very nice pictures & very few words, that I am afraid are very childish indeed. It was a mercenary spirit that sent them forth & I cannot blush for them.

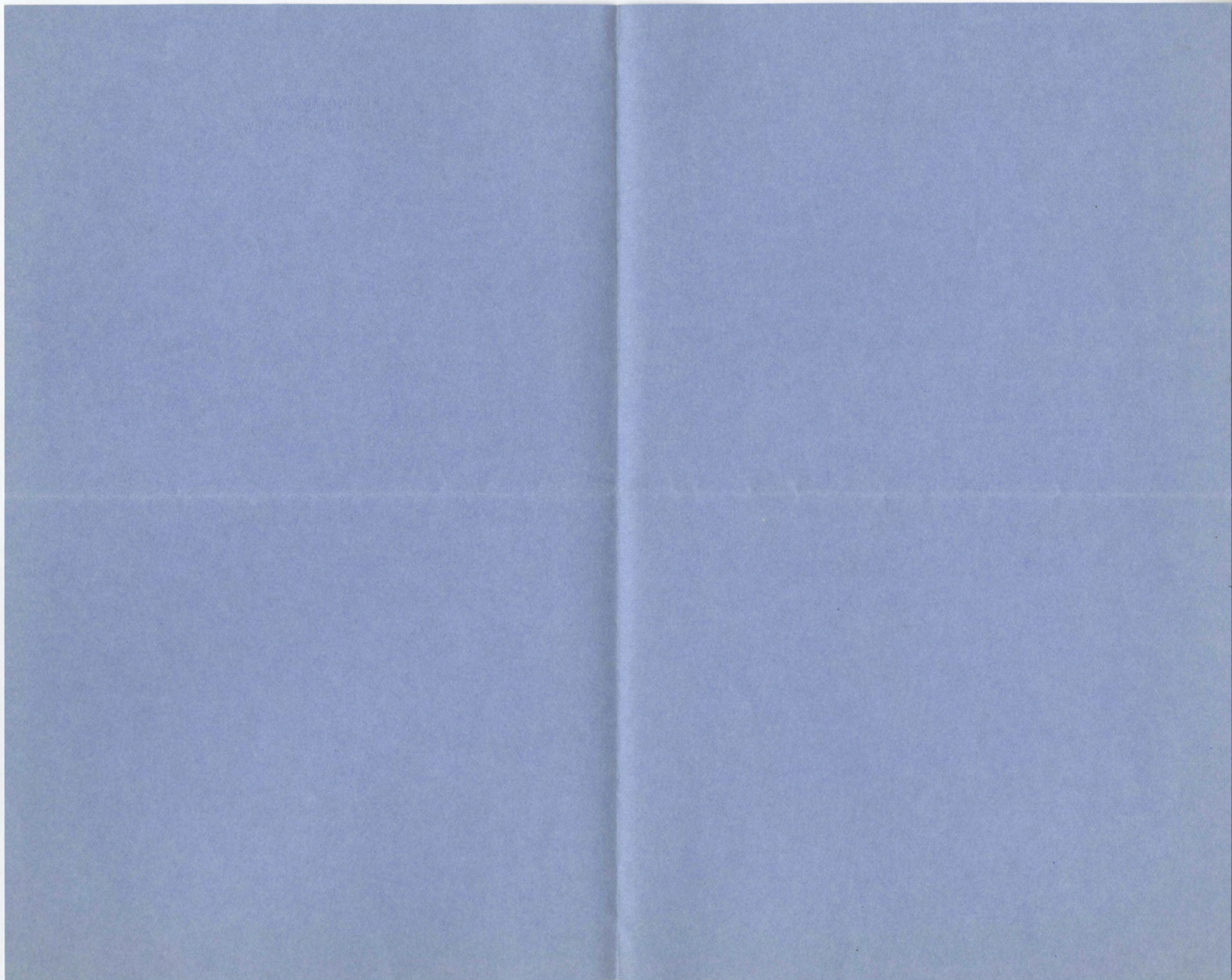
July 19

Dear Eugene:— I have begun to "star"

The right McKean Buchanan played the Melancholy Dane, as the principal feature of the coming Christmas Dramatic News, though I suppose you have not yet written a line of it. How about that? Let me know, please, please.

The other day I read your "Little Book of Profitable Tales." I think those stories the most delightful I have ever read. The Oyster, the one about the little boy and the "goggie," and the Thanksgiving day story are beyond compare. I have never been more moved by stories. They are superb.

Yours sincerely,
Leander Richardson



which we had hoped
to bring long ago, but
on Christmas day
Mr. Bradman had an
acute attack of indi-
gestion. This he does
not rally from as we
wish he did. His diet
of milk alone, has help-
ed him. But the cold
weather is against

9 Astor Street.

My dear Mr. Field;

We were all
sorry enough that
neither you or Mrs. Field
could meet Mr. Packham.
I hope the small boy
is well again.

I have a bunch of
map flowers for you.

him. So Monday night we leave
for the Southern coast of California
and will let out of door life and
sea air cure him. Yes, I did
read your article on Grandma Field
and enjoy it. Did you ever see
a resemblance between your
wife's ~~picture~~ face and Grandma
Field's picture? We all thought
it very apparent. I like all you
write because you love the humane
side of life. With dear love to
Mrs. Field I am yours sincerely
Grace H. Bodman
Tuesday.

Dear Mr. Field:

Many, many thanks
for the photograph
which is simply per-
fect, - and many
more thanks for re-
membering to send
it. - As soon as I
am better we shall
drop in upon you
some evening for
a cosy little visit -

when I have another
favor to ask of you.
With kind regards
to Mrs. Filds believe
me

Very cordially yours
Lizzie C. Stevenson

May 2nd

FROM
JAHU DEWITT MILLER,
CROSS RIVER,
WEST CHESTER CO
NEW YORK.

KATONAH
NEW YORK.
RAILWAY
TELEGRAPH
EXPRESS.

17 May

Dear Mr. Fiske:

The book -

long since promised you -
containing the One Post
Index Expos. goes to
you today. You will be interested

it and the letters and
cuttings in the book (front
and back.) ~

I'll call for the
book when in Chicago.

Yrth Buey:

John

2140 Prairie Avenue.

Mr Byron L Smith
regrets that he cannot
accept Mr Eugene
Fields and the Daily
News invitation to
lunch on Thursday
at one o'clock

✓

Jackson. June 24.

My dear Mr. Child,

Some time since
I sent - I really a photo of
Leigh, and I have
never heard if it - reached
her - 'Tis true it - was
rather overpoweringly
large - but she wished
to have it - and I thought
you could easily build
on to the side walls.
I had a letter from
Mrs. Frederic to-day,
she does not seem to
be in good health, and
finds it very lonely in
the country - as Ruth
has been in school in
Scotland. She wants
very much to have a
copy of the "Horn"

with Mrs G's picture. I
have lied everywhere
for one - won't you send
her one please - and let
me know if you have
done so - She says Mr
Henderson's play was a
success - that he made
two hundred pounds. She did
not go - had no ticket. I
suppose the "BEAST" would
not take her. Wanted
me to give you all much
love - I wish Mrs Gild
would write to her. for
she thinks so much of
you all. I also received
the funniest letter from
little Belle. She seems
very anxious to get away
from Montpelier Sq
again - and says that

after she has been earning
 her own living for a year
 it is hard to live on
 charity - poor little Belle!
 she has also had another
 matrimonial scrap - and
 goes on to say - "You know
 I came home to be married
 and my sweetheart, left me
 in Liverpool, saying he had
 business in Ireland, and
 would be in London in
 ten days - and I have
 never seen him since - I
 was awfully mad, don't
 think I loved him much
 but was so disappointed
 for he was going to take
 me to the world's fair, "
 Isn't that funny? Poor
 girl, what will become
 of her - there is lots of

good in her - but her
chances have been small
with such rotten
surroundings - "Madame"
has been dieting again,
lost sixteen pounds,
and spirits low - I tell
you Isabella likes to
eat - The enclosed slip
Belle wanted sent to
you - splendid for the
"Telegraph" - I wonder what
Leigh will say to the
success of "Agatha"; neither
of you thought well of
it - I hope you are all
well - I have just come
back from Ohio - helping
Leigh's sister out in a
concert - We are all well.
With much love to
everyone - Sincerely - Anna Teresa.

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JOSEPH SOMERS, Manager

My Dear Mr Field: you delight
me in what you wrote of
children's toys because in
speaking of the collections of
dolls you have seen and
read about you reveal the
truth of the thought suggested
to me by our conversation
about the little of the
woman's take of our childhood
pleasures. It seems to me
that you are hardly in
a position to judge -
I can not fancy myself, for
instance talking of the doll
which still recalls pleasant-
memories to me before
Mr Field. The woman

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would be as certain of having fun
frolic as us now if we talked of
such things before the men as our
love of our dolls was ever a subject
for fun when we were girls. I
assure you we often find the
greatest pleasure in recalling
the endearing qualities of our dolls
of the joys of dressing up our
mothers gowns and in telling
of "our rags". Neither do we
entirely leave our childhood
rags behind us. You seem
to think that you men keep
none of your youth in that
you still love a lark and
still have a frock but we
do not as you say go
straight away from our

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childhood but continue in the same line until the end. When we get our doll, with real hair and who can talk we keep giving him qualities he never possesses, often loving him more for the accidents which make others wonder why we do not throw him away and get a new one while our baby dolls are still to each one of us the most remarkable in existence. No, you will have to mark our course in a circle also and see Grandma returning to her doll love.

I shall be here over Sunday as Miss Field has telegraphed

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JOSEPH SOMERS, Manager

me to meet her at the
Victoria at four, Sunday.
I suppose she has some
new idea for me.

Cordially Yours

Luna Stiles VonZandt

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CHICAGO

JOSEPH S. BOWEN, Manager

Dear Sir:
I am sorry to hear
that you are
leaving for
Europe.
I hope you will
have a very
successful
trip.

My dear Mr. Field;

Mr. Finley tells me that he has written you asking you to make us happy on "Founder's Day" by your presence. I am presumptuous enough to hope that a little added persuasion from me will make you say yes. I shall always regret that you were not able to come to Beecher Hall during my reign there, but now that I have changed allegiance, or kingdom rather, I feel that you ought to make up for past deficiencies, not by going to the

University of Chicago, but by coming to Gallesburg. If you do this you will expiate all sins of omission. And truly you will be interested. Your sense of humor will be appealed to by the youth of those in authority and the age of those they lead. Mr. Finley, a mere boy, is deferred to by old gray-beards in the faculty who have spent youth and manhood in driving knowledge into the sturdy farmer lad of hereabouts. The director of the Conservatory is a mere lad, with the happiest face you ever saw, and a smile that disarms his most discordant underling. And now, I have come as

Dean of Women, which sounds quite solemn and awful, to hold away over 200 or more young women, to manage advised and love them.

You are fond of infants, so come and see how we three infants manage this staid old institution.

Seriously however, its wonderfully inspiring and one feels the old daring spirit of adventure come over one, and human nature affords even ~~greater~~ fields and some perilous risks than did the great prairies and pathless mountains to our forebears.

We expect to have Mrs. Alice Freeman Palmer with us, and

we hope Mr. Head will come too, so that we can have a jolly time.

With a very firm hope of seeing you soon I am

Very sincerely

Elizabeth Wallace

Whiting Hall

Knox College, Galesburg Ill.

January twenty fifth.



PRESS CLUB OF CHICAGO

133 CLARK STREET

Chicago, May 16.

My dear Field: - I intended
to have written you before
and to thank you but
I don't know that it is
necessary. You know how
I will ever about it
and will understand. I
should have intended something
in one of the books sent
you, but that the one
for you is being bound
separately. I have
it presently.

There is another letter

Canadian who wishes to
meet you that he may
write something at times
and who I am very de-
arous you should know.

If you will name any
day when I can catch
you at the office at-
noon I will call and we
will lunch together. I don't
think you're unlike the
acquaintance. Please let
me know if you can
arrange it.

And, as I said before, I
want to express my thanks
for what you have said.

Faithfully

Stanley Waterloo.



PRESS CLUB OF CHICAGO

133 CLARK STREET

Chicago, Oct. 23.

My dear Fred - I can learn nothing
definite of Kohersatt's intentions
and shall try to find him
tomorrow and have a talk
with him. Should you see
him will you not say what
you think best. I want to
demonstrate again what I can
do with a newspaper and
if he will but once give me
the chance am not much
afraid of the result. I do
trust I work for you, as you would
but it - , would be decidedly,
Faithfully always,
Stanley Mahaffey.



Chicago, Oct. 21.

My dear friend - I can have nothing
so definite of ~~definite~~ ~~definite~~ ~~definite~~
and then to find this
township and find a table
with him. I am sure you are
him with you out and what
you think best. I want to
know what you think of it
to with a ~~very~~ ~~very~~ ~~very~~ and
if he will but one for me
the chance in out ~~and~~ ~~and~~ ~~and~~
affairs of the world. I do
love to and for you, for well
but I, would the world
travelling always
I am, I hope

W. IRVING WAY & CO., PUBLISHERS,
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CHICAGO.

Sunday Am.
2 o'clock

My dear Field,

You will be interested to know that our little daughter turned out to be a son - about 9 pounds, perfect, and very angelic so far.

Mrs. Way was taken with convulsions 3 hours after birth - 6.30 yesterday morning and has had during 24 hours 16 convulsions. The doctor was very much alarmed last

night and all of yesterday, but is more hopeful today, especially last call. Mrs. Way has had no convulsion for past 8 or 9 hours, and seems more natural every way. She has been under in-

fluence of chloroform the entire time, and unconscious, and is still so, but takes less and seems much easier.

Pray for us!

Very Faithfully
Irving.

My dear Father,
You will be interested to
know that our little daughter
threw out a stone
about 4 pounds weight,
and lay supine to
her.
The day was taken
with Communion Service
after birth. So good
morning and then the
burning 24 hours to her.
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At Home
Wednesday.

Dear Field,

I have been hunting the
Record daily for some evidence
of your existence in the
flesh, but I don't find it.
How are you ["]any how["]?
The flat at 1923 has been
a hospital much of the
time since we were up.
Our nursery-maid was
knocked down by one of
Samon Yerkes' cable cars,
picked up by an ambulance,
and taken to a real
hospital where she re-

mained four days before
discovery. She is now at
her home, and my family
"fell sick" at once they
heard the news, and have been
a sorry lot ever since.

Tell me however that
you are still in the land
of the living. With an love,

Sincerely
W. Irving Way

Tomorrow is Wilson's
natal day & I sent him
a break in French

My home
Wednesday

Dear Felix,

I have been hunting the

books for some evidence

of your existence in the

past, but I am finding

there are few any more.

The files at 1923 have been

a hospital record of the

three times we were up.

Our memory record was

thru out down to some of

some of your old cars.

Wanted up to some of the

and taken to a real

hospital where the

measured from day to day
discovery. It is now at
her home, and my family
"the wife" at once they
have the room, and have been

away for some time.

Tell me however that

you are still on the land

of the living. With love,

Sincerely,
W. Irving Way

Remember in return
what day of your time
a friend in France

My dear Field,

I am sorry I missed you today.
Between 9 and 10 am., and between 4 and 5
pm., I try to be "at home". During the
other hours I'm on the tramp.

Send me a line appointing an hour when
you will look in upon me again and
I'll be here, armed with a cigar and
as pleasant a smile as the health of my
wife will permit me to wear.

My eyes are bad, but you can cure 'em
with one of your photos.

My regards to Mr. Field, Miss Betty
and the boys.

Cordially

W. Irving Way^x

For Mr. Eugene Field
Chicago

* An explanation of this awaits your coming.

My dear Mr. Fied.

I have made a contract with Mr. J. W. Sumner to play him for a season in the American Cities and have used your letter written to him while in England, with considerable benefit, I assure I appreciate your kindness in allowing me to use the same. Anything you can do for my star & piece I will appreciate, I have changed the title to "Terry" which I think is much better than "A. Noble Brother."

Respy
L. E. Need
% H. S. Taylor.

the new Mr. G. I. I have made a
contract with Mr. G. I. I have made a
plan for a house in the open country
and have used your little
house while in England, with considerable
benefit of course of experience and observation
in all things and the same. I have
now been able for my little house of
experience, I have changed the title to "Story"
which I think is much better than "At Home".
Bristol.

Yours &c
G. I. G. I.

UNIVERSITY CLUB
SAN FRANCISCO

My Dear Eugene:

On my return
from the Fremont I found
awaiting me your birthday present
to me. I thank you for it
much heartily. I am very glad
to have it. My delay in ack-
nowledging is due to a desire
to meet and know Mr. Wilson
before I met you. I have finally
made his acquaintance just as
he was leaving our City.

I am glad to be of some service
to him. He wishes to visit the
Fremont, and I am fortunately
so situated as to be able to facili-

take his trip.

He will spend next week in and about the valley, and I have taken steps to insure him as comfortable a trip as can be made to the valley. I saw one of the Commissioners who manages the valley for the State. If I had not so recently returned from the Fremont & would accompany Mr. and Mrs. Dixon on the trip, and personally see that they have every possible attention. I have given directions to Mr. Galen Clark, the Guardian of the valley, to look out for them, and the hotel and saddle horse men will also be enjoined to take good care of them.

Your friend Lynde, when here, gave me some encouragement to hope that you and your wife will come out here to see us.

Prize very much that you would do so.

Being not sure you will not then, and later come after me. Surely you can secure transportation.

Both Kate and I would be very much pleased to have and a place secured not. We have talked about it much. So there are some chances if it being secured.

not? Kate and the children - 6 - are at home when and the family for a little longer. I spend Sunday with them. They 6 of the children are with Kate at home. This is not so. Grand is spending the summer at Grinnell near the Fremont. He has his saddle horse with him, and is having a fine time. My family are all quite well, as I think from you. Did you hear from your study your wife at home will learn soon, and that you will come later, with her to see me, and I will come along with her soon.

Pr. 4th. 1887.

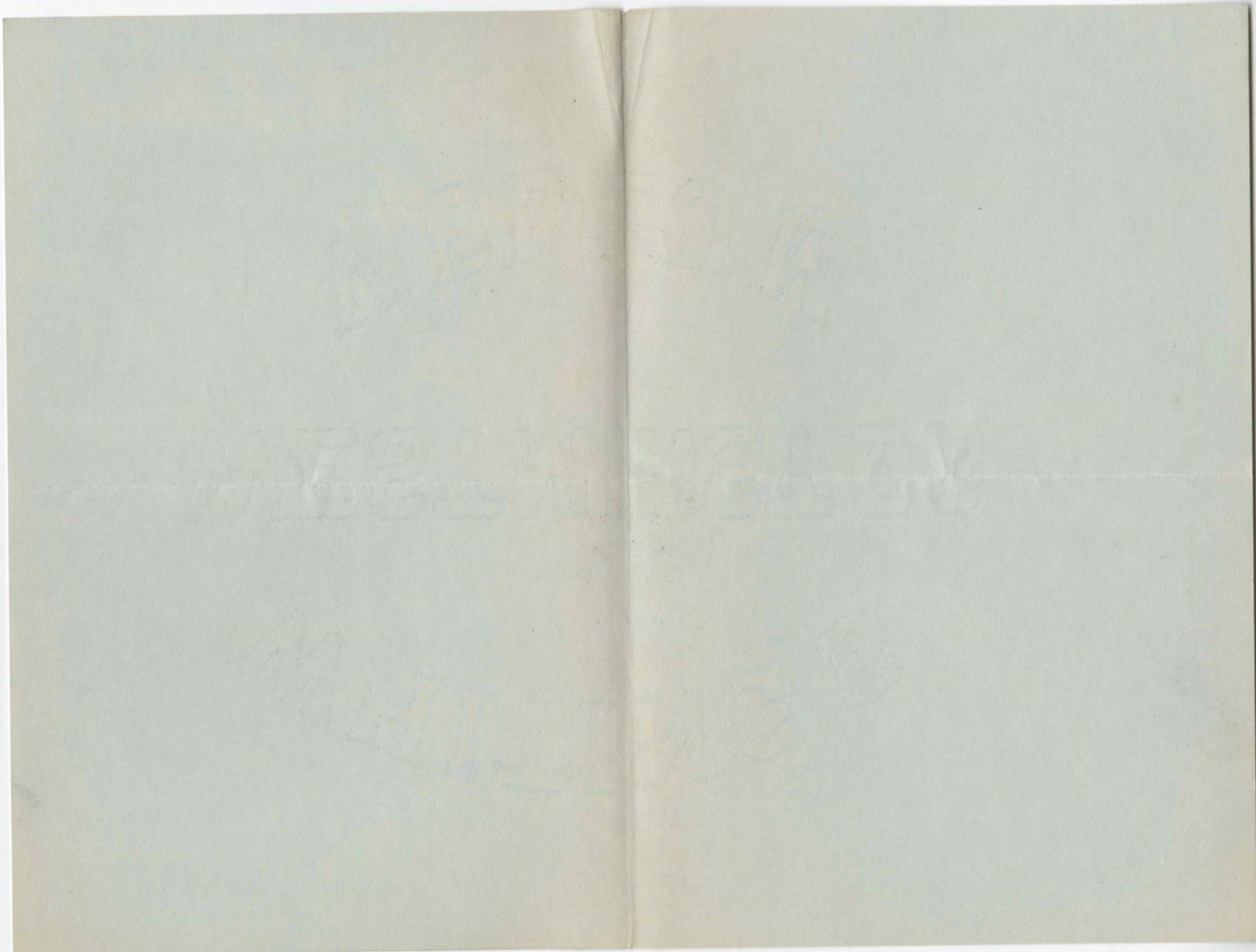
Edw. Lynde

Hotel Richelieu
Dear Sir

I promised your
reporter that if I
said anything to any
one you should have
it - so I include -

Yours

H. C. Whitney



struck me in, that was
vastly bigger - intimating
at the same time,
that a certain family
of my acquaintance,
ought to feel honored
by my presence at
their dinner table!

I regret that a heavy
cold keeps me from
seeing you at present,
but when I am myself
again, I hope you
will not deny a visit
to your new home
but since I find
Jan 10th Frances S. Welling

110, Rush Street.

My dear Mr. Field
as soon as I saw the
dainty parchment copy,
a day or two ago, there
was a pretty big
feather that found
its way into my cap.
But when I found
that I was the owner of
an autograph poem,
with a pretty "Envoi",
from its writer, I pulled
that feather out, and

1844

My dear Sir,
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. in relation to the matter of the
and in reply to inform you that the same has been forwarded to the proper authorities for their consideration.
I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
J. B. Smith

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Your obedient servant,
J. B. Smith

The Columbia

Saturday Am

Dear Gene

I read this morning your brief dismissal of "A Temperance Town" and it suits me right down to the lowermost heel tap. I sat through two acts and was quite disgusted. I could not stand a third even.

There was nothing in the way of action, but what had become familiar to me on the minstrel and variety stage years ago.

There was one sweet flower among the rank & noxious weeds - the minister's daughter. But she was not prominently used and so the weeds had it to themselves. I wish you could give me a day or two soon. I want you to go to the farm with me, Sincerely M. L.

The Columbia

Dear Sir,
I have the pleasure of informing you that
the management of the Columbia has been
placed in the hands of the new management
and they are now in the process of
arranging the new management.
I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
J. M. Smith