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Dear Owen and Marie:

I am enclosing a carbon copy of a letter I have just written your mama, which gives you the low-down on what is happening at The Cedars. It does not tell, however, how beautiful the surroundings are. Of course Owen is familiar with it, but the past few seasons have been so wet that there has been an abundant growth of everything.

We have mammoth elms, some fifteen or more cedars, about a like amount of hard maples and mammoth ash at our house, and shrubbery of all kinds. I have often said that if a man was a multi-millionaire and wanted a place like ours and couldn't obtain it, his money would be worthless. The beauty of our place undoubtedly began in the late 50's or 60's so that many of the trees have had the benefit of 80 or 90 years growth. We bought the place 32 years ago, and a great deal has been done to it since that time.

It would make us very happy if you could pay us a visit. Even in winter when the foliage is gone, the cedars are still green and when the trees are covered with snow and ice, their beauty is really splendid.

I am looking forward with a great deal of pleasurable anticipation to the little one who will arrive, probably within the month, to Carl and Eileen. It will be my first great grandchild.

Blanche has written me of the very happy time she had when you were all with her. There is nothing finer than a family made up of those who love one another and are compatible.

I shall be glad to hear from you.

Lovingly,