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My dear daughter:

I was not aware that I had been negligent in writing you. I think of you often and you know that you have the fullest measure of my love. I am reminded of the remark that I made to you many years ago to which you have sometimes referred, and that is that you have been a most satisfactory daughter.

I wish there were something that I could do to help Pat because I am very fond of him also. He has been so brave and courageous that he deserves to overcome his trouble. It just seems as if no matter how smart the scientists are nor how indefatigable the scientists may be in their study of diseases and their cure they often meet head on with an obstacle that cannot be overcome. However, nearly every day advancement is being made and I feel with Pat that someday someone is going to know how to take care of pemphigus and he is going to be courageous enough to hold on until that time comes.

He has been to the mountains and has doubtless conferred in regard to the Washington State climate. You will remember that Janet suffered severely with a rash as long as she was in Miami. What caused my trouble of some years ago, I don't know excepting that it was probably true that I robbed my body of essential oils by too frequent bathing. Even yet I dare not use soap in a bath.

I have been very well. Margaret and Otis are likeable folks and we get along well. Yesterday I had a call from a Mr. and Mrs. Parrish who have been at Manhattan but wish to transfer to K.U. because of the superiority of the mechanical engineering school at K.U. They came in answer to my ad and when Margaret and Otis leave in June, which is now their expectancy, they will take over.

She is a blonde who comes from Herrington, Kansas, and has had both experience and training. I think they will be satisfactory. I showed them through the house and let them spend an hour or more with Otis and Margaret.