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Dear Cousin,

I received your good letter of April 30th and was glad to hear from you. As I have told you before, you write interesting letters and I am always glad to get them.

I am glad that you enjoyed looking over the Genealogy. No one who has not attempted to compile such a book has any idea of the time and expense that it requires. We had the data gone over by the American Historical Society of New York who authenticated various statements therein.

I am so sorry that Willard has been called to service and it seems a little surprising because of his age and family affairs.

It has been quite some time since I saw you but I have always found you interesting both to meet and as a correspondent.

The Gowdy Genealogy mentioned by Cousin Calla was very badly mixed up in regard to data on papa, mama and myself. I don't know who could have given the data unless possibly it was Dr. Gowdy, who has since passed away. The very enthusiastic account he gave of me was somewhat embarrassing to me. Further more, the dates were badly mixed up, my birth being given as July 3, 1866, which happened to be, instead, the date of mama and papa's wedding. My birth followed in July, 1871 and was preceded by that of my two older sisters, both of whom passed away in 1943.

You have not said much about your health recently