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Dear Dolph,

As I look at my calendar, it is only 15 days until the big event. I feel sure that you will be a good and considerate husband. I tried to be, and always tried to save your grandmother in every way that I could. While she was four years younger than I, she was bothered for a number of years with overweight and later had several accidents resulting in broken bones.

As I look back over our long life together, I believe that I always tried to save her both pain and exertion. While I have been a hard worker and for 10 or 12 years was severely troubled with my stomach, on the whole I have enjoyed good health and strength and fortunately have been free from accidental injury.

I plan to attend the wedding and hope that nothing will interfere with my being there. I have very great confidence in you in every way and will be happy when your time of service with the Marines is over.

John is working hard on his examinations right now, and I feel sure that he will come through with good grades.

I love you and am proud of you.

Your loving grandfather

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