

fun making up each week & staying in -
down.

Yesterday was the grand Repub rally &
Friday night the Dem. The Repub was
much better than the Dem but both were
lots of fun. I guess about $\frac{1}{4}$ of the girls are
Demis here. They had delegations from
the Peab. Islands - Indians - Delegation
from Maine, Wyoming etc. The Indians
were perfectly gotten up and the Filo-
pinos were dandy - they were cow-boys
& troupe riders too. The D's had Davenny
men and Filopinos etc. Policemen
were in prominence & tried to keep
order. Some of the Dem. leaders were put
out for making too much noise at the
Repub. meeting. The speakers were
Mr Bryan & Mr Cleveland, Mrs
Culler doing the introducing act and
at the Rep. Mr Fairbanks a Mr
somebody Crackingham from Maine.

[Oct 30, 1904]

My dear Mother -

We won in doubles yesterday!
Yesterday was - I didn't expect to see the best, but
I guess played well & I played better than usual &
so we came off conquerors. We ought to get out as
far as finals now and perhaps through them
but that is too far to look ahead. I guess we
will finish up in a week perhaps now. We
won two sets running 6-5 and 6-3 & four
I don't know which and we had some
good volleys - there were our most feared
rivals and it's a relief to feel that we
have beaten them.

Ruth and I have both had sore
throats this last week but are all right
well - list now & I hope that we won't be
on the sick one again, for its us

native file. from the Islands. ~~at~~ the opening
participated us - yelling & cheering and hissing
ringing of bells ~~and~~ of horns yelling thro'
megaphones etc & interrupted the speakers
when ever they said any thing derogatory. I
never yelled for Parker before so loud, but my
voice was most gone when I got out & my
ears deafened. The campaign band was dressed
in white uniform and played vociferously.

Mrs. Wilson is Treasurer of 1908. Don't
you remember meeting her at the Yale Commemora-
tion dance?

Last night the Sophomore dance took
place - it was very crowded hot & dusty but
I had a good time - Each Sophomore took
either one or two freshmen - I had only one
& was very glad because I was so tired -

This week on Tuesday - I am going to
try for a chapter in Phil., the dramatic club -
I am to be ~~acting~~ in "The Steps to Conquer" - I
don't remember ever having acted before except
when I was about 10 yrs. old in the concert at
A. City so I don't expect to shine brilliantly &
probably won't get in - but I hope I shall.

well I must study now brother dear -
what do you want for Xmas?

With a great deal of love

Your sister

Grace

Your boxes will be shipped
by the Penn R.R. and will
reach you safely I hope
but I cannot say how soon.
You can look out as to the
freight-depot they will arrive
at and then keep your eyes
open. I marked them ^{Geo's Woodbury}
Louisville, Ky. - giving an street number
there is one thing you must learn
and that is how to mark boxes
decently. Get a brush and old
news paper and practice. Take a
lesson from the market. The boxes
you marked at New Haven would
disgrace a tyro.
Mother joins me in sending our best love
Your loving father ^{Geo's Woodbury}

BETTER LATE THAN NEVER.—A
citizen must have resided a year in the
state, four months in the county, and thir-
ty days in the precinct to be qualified to
vote.—F. T., New York, Oct. 21.

St
Brooklyn N.Y.
Oct 28th 1904

My dear son, I went down
yesterday and attended to
the shipment of your boxes
I sent the whole number. You
will be encumbered more or
less with dictionaries but you
will always want to use
them and if you have a few
book shelves, they will not
occupy much room. You are
young and can't hold on
to books for a while. When

*357 Fulton St., opp. Montague Ave.
*111 Broadway, near Bedford Ave.
*1003 Broadway, bet. Ditmars St. and Willoughby Ave.
*466 Fifth Ave., bet. 10th and 11th Sts.
NEWARK, N. J.
841 Broad St., opp. Central R. R. of N.J.

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by the Penn R.R. and will
reach you safely I hope
but I cannot say how soon.
You can look out as to the
freight-depot they will arrive
at and then keep your eyes
open. I marked them *Erz. Woodruff*
Louisville, Ky. - giving an street number
there is one thing you must learn
and that is how to mark boxes
decently. Get a brush and old
news paper and practice. Take a
lesson from the market. The boxes
you marked at *San Haven* would
disgrace a tyro.
Mother joins me in sending our best love
Your loving father *Erz. Woodruff*

Erz. Woodruff
Bklyn N.Y.
Oct 28th 1904

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occupy much room. You are
young and can't hold on
to books for a while. When

You are older you will still need books. I think a business man need books of reference especially in order to keep posted about technicalities, a sort of omnium in parvo library. He need also other books but he must not become a book collector until he has a big room of his own to place them in. I hope that will come in time and I know you will enjoy books when you have the time and leisure

I prepaid the freight and enclose the receipt, which you must hold on as proof of the prepay.

Do not forget to tell me when you need the new suit. Will you want your silk hat? I can ship it by Ex when I ship the gun. If you have a Prince Albert you will need a silk hat and a Knickerbocker hat does not go out of fashion, and there is where you can save a little money for your bank acc

Ask Attela about it and do not vote unless you have a perfect right to do so. Let us begin straight to perform our duties as a citizen.

We pray for you daily that you may be granted strength to learn business and wisdom to make you learn it properly.

Mother joins me in sending our best love. and I am as ever your loving father.

Cyrus Woodruff

135 Remsen St
Brooklyn N.Y.
October 22^d 1904

My dear son, mother has returned from Phil. and she left Aunt Kate very comfortable and cheerful, getting ready for a move.

It has a very rainy day yesterday but to-day is mild and bright.

I still have you

\$20 - bills and will carry
it to your credit. You
must want another suit
by this time. Don't you
think you should have
a frock, or Prince Albert
suit.

You have not told us
how you like your
new room, nor whether it
is a large room or a
Hall room. You know
we are interested in every
detail of your new life

out there.

Mother and I went to
hear a woman lecture
on the Himalayas last
evening. She and her husband
had climbed all over the high
snowy peaks of Himalaya or
Himalayia. They had some nice
lantern slides.

You must be careful in
voting to take proper steps
to insure your being a legal
vote. In my time, the requirements
were one year in state, six
months in County and
60 days in precinct.

Your Uncle Will have
offered him - was it a
West Point appointment
or a civil appointment
to the Army? Be sure to
answer my questions -

Mrs & Miss Hamblet called
to see us and sent you very
kind messages - Mrs H. says
she always calls you her boy -
I hope you will be a credit
to her - I saw the Misses in Phila
Kate thinks you are very generous
about answering her letter - try &
write to her - Budd is at home & out
of a job - Aunt Kate has very serious
ailments - I doubt if she ever recovers
and I am very anxious about her -
Give Cousin Laura my love and with
much love for you I am your devoted Mother
Frances & Goodnight

October 27, 1904

135 Remsen Street
Brooklyn, New York

My dear Sonny - Is it
legal to vote in Kentucky
without a year's residence
in the State - The law used
to require a certain length
of time for State & district - Do
not fail to let us know how
you are enabled to vote
without complying with the
necessary requirements -
Campaign meetings are being
held every where in New York
State - Secretary Hay held
forth last night at Carnegie
Hall - which in Brooklyn the

to see about having your boxes sent to
my etc - If you are cold you had
better get a change of under flannels
at once and not wait for your boxes - your
health and comfort - one the Civil con-
solation - What kind of a room have
you now? is it a single or double
room - remember to look after your
comfort - and have plenty of warm bed
clothing - What kind of an apartment did

old war veterans - Gen
Howard with his one arm
and Gen Dickles with his
one leg - Horatio King,
and others of less prominence
addressed a meeting in
Clermont Skating Rink - we
had cards of admission but
only your father attended -
He did not seem much
impressed - by the speaker
It is generally conceded
that New York State will go
democratic - but nobody
thinks Parker has a ghost of
a chance of being elected -
Your father has just
started out to Fort Hamilton

I think you do well to
stick to the one great
object, - mastery of the
details. You can do it.
That is what you went to Yale
for. Afterwards there are other
things, but ~~whatsoever~~ you have
first to do, do it with your
might. I pray God that
he grant you wisdom and
strength to hold your grip.
You remember that old bull
bitch at Keogh with the
2^d. Inf. how she would

135 Remsen St [1904]
Baldu Oct 26th

My dearest son, your letter
came this morning and we
were very glad to get it.
I will attend to the matter
of the boxes &c. at once.
Would you not like your
gun also, for you must
not forget how to shoot
and I have no doubt that
you will find a good gun
club when you are ready
to join one.

I notice you spell
despondent, as despondant.
It is a wonder to me how one
can learn to spell at all
correctly, but the brain is a
powerful organ and we
do pretty well considering the
difficulties. You are plenty
young enough to tackle
all the details large and
small of business, but it
requires effort and constant
effort. Of course boys who

enter business at 12 or
14, acquire details and
when they are your age, they
seem to know more about
business than you do. But
most of them will never
rise beyond details, while
you with your greater
advantages will soon
pass them even in details,
and will be able to advance
far beyond the homemade
business men in the race.

ask you to exercise it for
him, still I ~~advised~~ it.

Now, I hope you will
identify yourself with the
Boway Pres. Church, and
go into a bible class. It will
do you good although many
young men scorn the church
but there are many noble
young Christian people in L.
who honor the Church. We
are glad you want to pray
meeting with Aunt Hattie and
hope you will often go.

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seize a stick and hang
on although she was
lifted off the ground and
swung around in the air.
How her eyes would shine
and she would shake the
stick as though she would
crush it into splinters. Such
a spirit applied to affairs
will generally win and if
it does not, it ought to.

You are on the beginning
of a long and rocky road

Your feet will be sore
and your spirit grow
weak, - but you will never
give up, for only through
toil and weariness, and
even suffering will you
finally win out.

Mother was very tired
after her Phila trip but
is now rested up. We took
a trolley ride yesterday
over to Englewood ~~yesterday~~
and enjoyed the lovely weather
very much

When I wrote about the
dog question, I really thought
you had spoken of the matter
as a little joke, for I knew
you would not care to burden
yourself with ~~a case~~ ^{a ~~load~~} like that.

I do not wish that you under-
standed me in the least
for it is much better for you
to stand on your own merit
as a worker and earn your
place in the store by work-
ing but I have a secret hope
that Uncle George if he keeps
a saddle horse, will by and by

to travel. He has my earnest
wishes for success but I fear
that he is not it. He has
cards and are going to a
Repub rally to night - at Clemon
rink, to hear General Sicks,
Howard &c. speak.

The Brooklyn Inst. are busy
with lectures and I heard a
good lecture on trusts and monopolies
last night.

There used to be young mens debating
societies and clubs in L where
you could enjoy yourself. You must
keep up your practice of speaking in
public. It is a great accomplishment and
will be of use to you.

Your loving father
E. Bradford

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You cannot be too polite
to all women, old and young:-
genuinely polite.

You had better talk and look
up the tailor question. You
will find good tailors in L. and
when I think that a new suit
for Xmas will be very appropriate
and also necessary. Select a
good cloth, for clothes you know
are half the battle, - and more than
half.

We hope you may be able
to meet Lee McElroy. He is a

Knoxville boy and he was
a suitor of your Cousin Daisy
who married a man that
was not worthy of blacking
Lee McC's shoes.

Your uncle William W.
is not very well; that is,
the tumor has reappeared
but there will be no more
operations and I hope
that the tumor will not
shorten his life. He is very
cheerful and philosophical
in regard to his troubles.

Mother says that you owe
a letter to Kate Rice
who told her so at Ofonts.
You had better write her a
pleasant note. She thinks a
great deal of you.

Bud is still out of a job
He is not going back to
Honduras.

You know this is a quiet campaign
I do not see how Parker can
win. It may be that the independents
^{who} are the ones to decide the Contest
will vote for Parker, but I cannot
say. - I hear no music in the air
for P., who has an uphill road

Stick up for the right
at all times and at all hazards.
I have known so many bright
youngsters in Louisville, who working
their way to positions of honor
and trust, could not remain upright
but yielded to temptation and fell
from their high estate to rise
no more among honorable men.
An old newspaper man of mine was
elected tax receiver, spent the city's
money or stole it, could not make it
good and committed suicide. Another
was in the gas Company a trusted clerk
stole many thousand dollars and disappeared
in the slime of crime. On the other hand
the number of honest youngsters who
have prospered in their integrity is
much greater. God be praised.
With best love from your loving father
E. J. Woodruff

135 Remsen St.
Brooklyn N.Y.
Tuesday

Oct. 19, 1909

My dearest son, I suppose
your letter is on the road
and will arrive to-morrow.
The week has passed quietly.
I have been somewhat lonesome
because of mother's absence
in Phil. From what I hear
Aunt Kate's doctor do not
pronounce her case to be serious,
and I have no doubt that
mother will cheer her up

so she can get through
the winter in good shape.
I suppose you are hard at
work and it must be a
joy to start out these
fine October mornings to do
duty, but I suppose toward
dinner time you begin to feel
a little hungry. When I was
in L. last Spring a year ago,
I saw a line of demarcation
between, clean streets and
dirty streets very plainly marked.
Out in the region of Uncle
George's everything was spick

and span, while in the
Eastern and Western regions
there was dirt and plenty
of it. I suppose the town
is ruled by a ring of
grafters as are so many
other cities of our land, and
as you grow up and into
the city's life and assume
the responsible duties of a
citizen I hope you will make
a study of the city's needs
or economics and however small
your influence may be, let it
be exerted for the right.

Mr George E. Hordorff
933 Second St

Louisville

Kentucky

LOUISVILLE
OCT 19
8-PM
1904

never dare and oh! so
delightful.

I am glad you like
the dear old town. I like
it also.

You must not think me a
miserable in urging you not to
go into the dog business. But
if you will consider a
moment you will see that
^{you} are not able to indulge in
dogs yet. First, it would never
do for you to be known as
a business man with a dog.
I know that we are both
fond of dogs, but I am too
old, and you are too young
to indulge our love for ~~them~~.

135 Reussen St
Hes Oct 19th /04

My dearest son, your letter
came and I enjoyed the
first reading of it, mother
still being in Phil. I expect
her home to-morrow however.

I was surprised at your
return of the \$20. You should
have kept it as I intended
it either for you to buy
things or to add to your
nest egg in the Savings
bank. You must not be

too independent and
refuse money from father.
Your Louisville savings are
not large and I would
like occasionally to help
you increase the amount,
for I know that you
will not be able to
accumulate rapidly at
your present salary. Of
course your principle is
correct, that you must
make your own savings
by self denial and economy

I remember when I was a
youth in L. There were
two things I wished to do
with the same money. I had seen
what I thought was a lovely
blue satin necktie on a window
not far from your store and
I had saved \$7.00 to buy it,
but about that time, a picnic
was to come off and my
heart was torn by conflicting
desires. It was tie or picnic.
It couldn't be both. The tie
won, but I am in doubt
to this day whether my
decision was right, - for picnics

It is the old story, a city is
 no place for dogs, especially
 for a young man in a
 boarding house. It hurts me to
 tell you this but my whole
 mind advises you to *Cave*
Canem. Beware of dogs. The
 time will come but has not yet
 arrived.

Le temps viendra que n'il pas
venu. As the Quebec golden
 dog says.

This is one of the cases where
 I have so often advised
 you to pray for Wisdom
sapientia. You would
 commit a serious blunder

to go into the dog business.
So, Cut it out, please, and
if you have already bought a dog
send it to the auction room
quick. Patience. Patience!
As I have told you do not
become a hermit entirely.

You must have some society
and it ought to be of the best.
Referring to the dog question. My
brother had a beautiful black and tan
about 6 lbs, the prettiest one I ever saw.
He would follow him to the store
and so fearful was he of remarks
that he had the dog killed. One
must have no distracting influences
in business. As for a horse you are not
able to keep a horse.

With best love I am, your loving father
Ezra Woodruff

and freshness and as you
say more an ^{and dilapidation} air of seediness,
~~even~~ which made me feel quite
sad. The growth of the town has
increased the smoke and soot
a hundred fold. To be sure it is
many years since I saw them in
their beauty and the buildings are
much older.

I am glad that Aunt Laura has
given you mother's picture. You
must cherish it and preserve it.
I had a letter from mother this
morning. She finds Aunt Kate
looking pretty well and hopes that
she can return soon.

I suppose you have received
my letter with check by this time.
You can spend it or add a part to your
bank acc. With best love I am
Your loving father E. G. Schroeder

135 Remsen St
Brooklyn N.Y.
Oct 12th 1904.

My dearest son, your came
this morning, and as mother
was in Phila. visiting
Aunt Kate I had to read
it myself alone. I enjoyed
it very much and your
visit to the old University
carried me back to the
lecture room where I had
sat hundreds of times
listening to lectures. &c

The teaching of the Science of Medicine has changed completely within the last fifteen years. Now there are not so many lectures, but most of the work is done in smaller class rooms and the student is more closely quizzed and instructed. This has come about because of the adoption of the germ theory which has shaken the foundations of the old science somewhat, but it is the same noble profession

after all.

You may have observed that the whole square has only ~~two~~ buildings. The one on the corner of 9th St was used as the high school which I attended and afterwards I crossed the fence and was a student at the medical university, when I was a high school boy we used to have snowball fights with the "students", and when I became a student we used to snowball the high school lads.

I passed the old buildings when I was out there two years ago but they had lost their brightness

[Oct. 11, 1904]

Brooklyn, NY

My dear son, I send
you your line of descent
and will ask you to try
and preserve it until
you find a better one.

I think it is correct
as far as it goes and wish
I could make it more
complete. You can file it
away and I will add to
it as I get new facts.

Mother is still at Phila
with Aunt Kate. Aunt K.

Seems to be under the weather
somewhat but not sick
in bed. I suppose she feels
aches and pains as we all
do as we grow older.

Our Heavenly Father has been very
good to your mother and me in
keeping us so well.

Remember we think of you
with all our love. As there
has been so few notable Woodruff
you can be the exception and
become noted, I wish I could advise
you, but slow and sure does
it. Rome was not built in a day.

Your loving father.

Esra Woodruff

1904

Mr George C. Woodruff
933 Second St
Louisville
Kentucky

LOUISVILLE, KY.
OCT 11
10:30 PM
1904

You will find a Library
in L. now; it is on 4th bet
Green & Walnut and if it is
not run down you should be
able to get books there. When I was
a boy in L. we had a fine old
library on 4th St. over the New York
Store bet Mark & Jeff. in which
I spent many happy hours
devouring the contents of books.
You must tell me if any one
you meet, speaks of me, but I
suppose 40 years of absence
has obliterated most of the people
I knew. I found it so last Summer
when we were in L. - not even a man
recognizing me. Do call us in New
York. Your loving father
Ezra Woodcutt

135 Rensselaer St
Oct 10th 1904
Rensselaer N.Y.

My dearest son, we are
waiting for your weekly
letter patiently as we
may and in the meantime
I think I will write a
line. Mother has been to N.Y.
to day and is intending to
start to Phila. Pa. tomorrow
in order to see your Aunt
Kate who visited her, that
while she was not sick in
bed, she needed her presence

Of course your mother
will not be able to say
what is the matter until
she arrives and interviews
Aunt Kate. She may be ill
bodily, or she may have
symptoms of a nervous
kind, but whatever is the
matter mother will no doubt
help her in her trouble.

We are glad to hear that
you have moved down a
flight and I hope you have
a larger room than a

hall bedroom. As you
progress you will be able
to have a comfortable
room and with a good light
you can enjoy yourself
in fine style in the long
winter evenings. We
hope you will be able to
renew your acquaintance with
the Yale fellows who may
be in that region. Remember
you are to an exemplar
and shining example of
Yale training and act accordingly

and I want to get in some
practice before to-morrow as
we have to play in a match
game. I think it's a good plan
to play up and practice for I got
beaten by a very erratic and
not a bit good player, a fresh
man to boot, the other day - just
because I hadn't practiced any.
We are going to play the same
guy and another one in doubles
and I hope that we shall wipe
up the ground with them. Anne
wasn't playing a bit well this
this afternoon. I think that

Warren College.
416 Strong
Box 214 -
Oct 7 - 1904

My dear Brother -
Also my letters
to you this week seem to be rather
lately in their getting to you -
but it's not because I haven't thought
of you but I somehow find that
time goes away rapidly and
by night time and bed-time I
am very tired and sleepy.

This afternoon we played
doubles about five sets - Anne

I might have been able to beat her almost,
to - night before chapel we all went
over in class and sang to the seniors,
who returned the compliment and sang
to us. we are going over every Friday
and Saturday evening to sing to them on the
stairs leading up to the towers at the north
end of main on the second floor. We have
all been revealed in chapel again and I
am on the opposite side from that where
I was before.

I will send you a copy of the
tennis - tournament program when the
tournament is over with the names of the
different girls. There is a very business
like chairman this year and she is hustling
things through with a vengeance.

Mina Rees came up for a day this
week - I was nice to see her again this
she was here for only a short time.

I positively can't hold my eyes
open any longer -

Your loving sister
Grace.

your tiny boat upon
the big sea, and that your
little ship may avoid rocks
and escape wreck or injury
until she navigates safely
into the haven of success.

Mother is going to N.Y. to-day
and I shall probably go also.

I am glad you are paying
a little more attention to penmanship.
It is well to write plainly, but
of course as business grows and you
have more to do, penmanship becomes
somewhat ragged.

Mother joins me in sending you
best love. Your loving father
Ezra Woodruff

135 Remond St

Brooklyn N.Y.

Oct 7th 1904.

My dear son, I wrote
you a line yesterday and
as I want to send you
a check I will also
drop you a note to-day
I suppose your weather
is pleasant now. I can
remember some lovely
October days in N.Y. But
after a cold storm and

which drops the leaves
then the weather is rather
more depressing.

I am glad that you have
called on Miss Belle. Of
course she is very agreeable
and an old friend of
mother's, but I hope you
may succeed in finding
younger and more
cheerful companions
among the ladies. I hope
you may be given wisdom
and judgment in selecting

your friends of both sexes,
so that you may both give
and receive, comfort and
happiness in mutual intercourse.
I have no doubt, ^{but} that you
will do well socially, - only
you may probably have to
use patience. Remember
Achilles' advice, be the best
and deserve the best, for
the Best is none too good
for you. I pray constantly
that you may be guided
by wisdom, in launching

clothe yourself in good taste
without being extravagant in
style or cost. You must also
wear suitable underclothes, - to keep
your health up.

You see how I run on in
giving you trite advice as if
you did not know all these things,
but you will find that a father is
like History, he repeats himself.

Mother is playing solitaire
while I write this. He like our
new house and the table is
very nice, hardly beautiful enough
for you but we shall not starve.
I hope you will be able to get
a larger room when winter
comes on. With our best love I am
as ever your loving father
Ezra Woodruff

135 Reussen St
Brooklyn N.Y.
Oct 6th 1904.

My dearest son, I dropped
you a line yesterday
before starting from Bellow.
He had a very delightful
trip down the Hudson, the
air was mild and the sun
was shining on the beautiful
banks of the great river and
we enjoyed the trip although it
was longer ^{intime} than the railroad
takes. He got here tired
and hungry and in time

for dinner.

The subway people are digging along Fulton St and there will be a terrible mess for a year or two while they are constructing the tunnel. The N.Y. subway is not open to the public yet but they are running trains constantly to train the motor men in their duties.

You must be sure to write us fully about your needs. I suppose you

feel diffident about asking for things, but you must hold up your end in dress, and whenever you think that a frock coat and gray trousers are necessary just give me a hint. You must not fail for an instant in your care for proper dressing;— you remember we have quoted Polonius before, "rich not gaudy, but costly as your purse can buy;— the apparel makes the man &c &c. I know that you realize the importance of dress and that you can

Bottom Villa

[1904]

Highland Oct 4th

Dear son, mother and I
are off for 135 Reuser St
Bklyn this morning and I
send you this so that you will
know when to write to us.

Gracie is well settled in her
room with her friend Miss Ingraham
and she is nicely fixed up, so that
we feel we can leave her
safely. Your box came and she

will probably find me for some
of the things and the others she
can dispose of.

The weather here is too cold for
comfort and these summer places
have ^{no} means of heating rooms.
We can be very comfortable in
in B. at 135 Remsen St

Your mother and father
think of you constantly and
love you dearly. We pray without
ceasing that you may keep well

and that you succeed in
your endeavor to become a
business man, - of the A-T-
sort, a man can beur it can
reproche,

I will write to you as
soon as we get to B and you
must let us know how you are
getting on.

With our best love

Love Your Loving Father

Egra Woodruff

all placed in a big clothes
basket - done up in boxes
and paper bags or parcels -
covered up with a large cloth,
and as the numbers of punches
were called out in order - the
highest - drew first & so on
until every body had a prize.

It was a new way to us and there
was a lot of fun & merriment -
there were five or six tables -

How are ^{you} feeling - does the
climate affect you unpleasantly
and do you keep well altogether?

Be sure to take for plenty of
bed clothing as the nights grow cold
and keep comfortable - With much
love from ~~parents~~ Mother & F. W.

October 3, 1904

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Highland - New York

My dear Sonny - This will
be my last letter from this
charming spot - as we expect
to go to Brooklyn - either
to-morrow or Wednesday - It is
a bright - sunshiny morning and
a little warmer than yesterday,
Grace and Ruth Ingraham
came over and spent Sunday
with us - They had a nice
chicken dinner with many other
delicious relishes - but the
day was cold windy and cloudy

and her health is such - that I do not
like to urge her. We are going on
to see her this afternoon for the last time,
before going to Brooklyn, Lou & father seems
anxious to get back there and take
possession of the rooms at 135 Remsen St.

Chestnut are ripe and hunting them is
the main pastime here. Saturday evening
there was another Progressive Evahne
party - when everybody contributed a
twenty - five cent jar of jam - They were

but we wrapped up in warm
coats and lap rugs and took
a drive around the country in
the afternoon before going to the
Ferry - The autumn foliage
is very beautiful but in many
exposed places it looked
barn and gray - more like
November - The frosts have
been heavy and the high winds
have done the rest -

Grace is full of the
College doings - and I tremble
for her about her studies - She
does not seem to know how to
apply herself to work -