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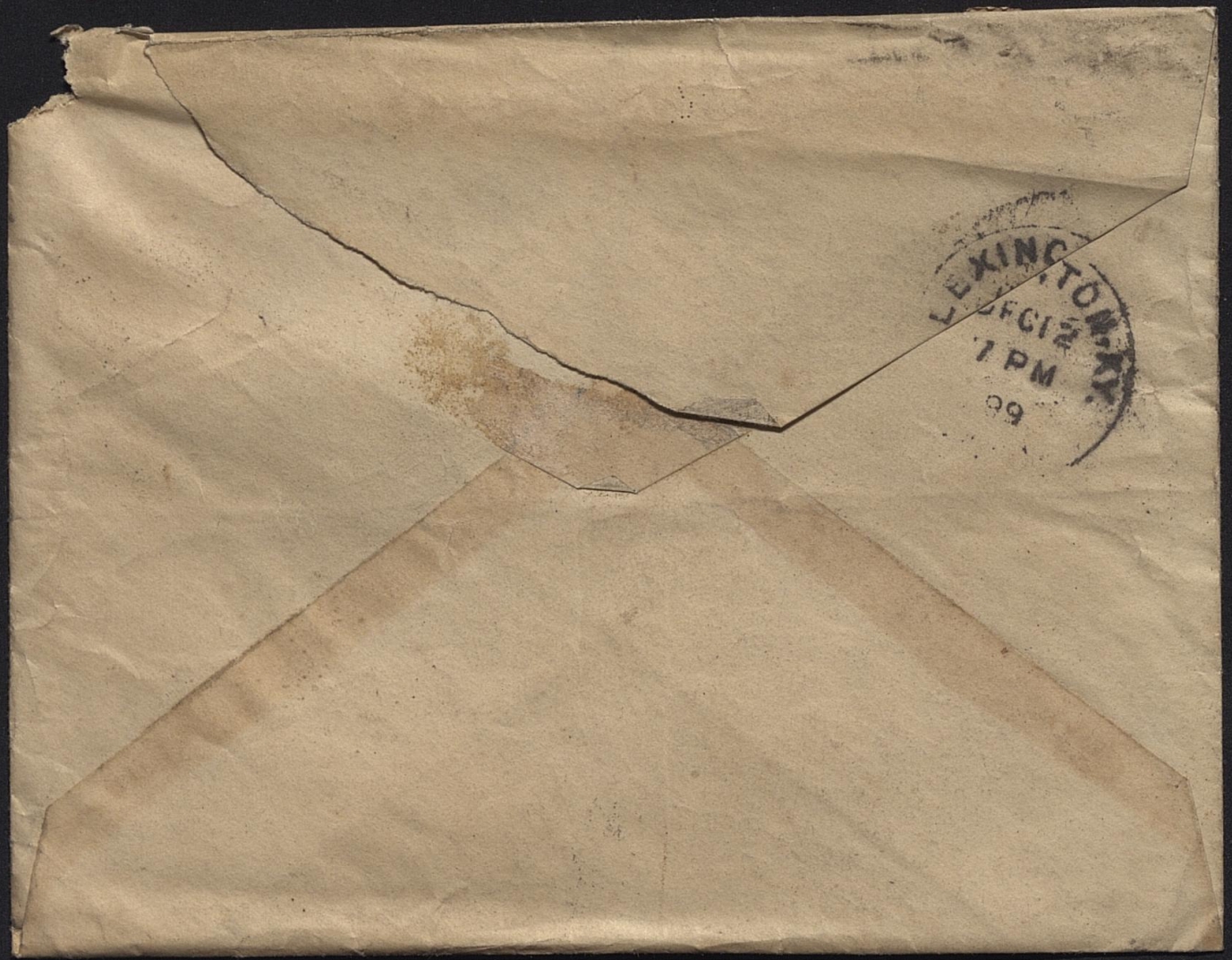


Mrs. Mary D. Gibson

Box 43

Lexington

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Dec 11th 1899.

Dear Mary.

We had a very severe Thunder & Rain storm last night and it is raining hard this morning. It has been very warm, thermometer at 78 and the mosquitoes particularly annoying. Bidy & Dede are trying the experiment of housekeeping - have two bed rooms, Dining room & Kitchen boarding his own hands and those of Tom Sellers for the present.

I have no doubt expenses will be considerably cut down

I have written to H. to send me check by the 17th inst when the money for Lily's interest will be sent & also some for your sup.

It is quite interesting to spend the morning at the track four or five hundred horses galloping & breezing. They become as familiar as so many persons and then the race is in the afternoon. Everything is conducted here in first class order. The weather has been fine & balmy and I wish we could all be here during the winter. I weighed yesterday 189½. New Orleans is greatly changed in the

the last twenty years. Some very fine buildings have
been erected and the place looks more like a city.

I cannot get rid of all the surplus stock at all
without any price, so that what is of real value may
be properly & profitably taken care of.

Perhaps the baby continues to improve & that Kildie
& Mary have returned. If Stofer wants the hemp
field 30 acres, the Sorghum patch 4 acres, the corn field
 $12\frac{1}{2}$ acres & the Sage woods 5 acres let him have them
at \$15 per acre. & let Sage have the Avenue at the same
price Cash. Be sure to have at least \$300 for Stofer. The
15th June 1900. Dick Morgan since probably give more for the
Hemp than anybody. He offered me \$5 per hundred, 112 lbs
Stofer is at all expense including delivery at the factory

I was sorry for Allen was a candidate. Gayle was
entitled to give out Settlers terms & Kildie has incurred
the hostility of Owen, Henry & Osburn countries which I
am afraid will defeat him hereafter. But that is the game
of politics - a dirty one at best. Love to all in which
our household joins

Affectionately

Harold Gilson

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Mrs Mary Duncan Gibson
North Broadway
Lexington Ky



HUMPHREYS CASTLEMAN,
REAL ESTATE
...and...
FIRE INSURANCE.

Columbus, Ga. Nov 29th 1899.

My dear Cousin Mary

I wonder if you ever think of your "old" kin-
man? so far away. Many an the pleasant thoughts that do
course my brain as in my mind's eye I look over the pleas-
ant days I spent in old Fayette - a little while ago.
I don't suppose that the absolute charm of being thrown
again - after so many years - long long years. with
the scenes & loved ones of young & tender days, has ever
come to you. Should it, you will then appreciate the
delights of my heart as I looked into your dear faces &
the children's faces) - hearing voices as of old - & looked back
upon the charms of youth; when we all were young to-
gether. I volunteer to forgive your little girls, & may
be you too, may I say unkind criticisms, of myself
for the effervescence of my skin renewed youth - of my
being here again! The charm of my experience in the
enjoyments - of the hospitality shown me by many while
I was in Lexington - was surpassed only in the days
of my - younger years - when we all "were boys together".
The winding roads which lead to the hospital mansion
the short walks from the stone wall - up the steps -

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the massive & smaller, pillars & archways which had
outcome to the princely hospitality so charmingly dis-
pensed by the dear Mother & fascinating daughters with-
in - all pictured to my mind the days of my un-
matured manhood, when from a precious Mother's
knee I scampered from one to another, & had our
dear friends - a warm welcome to our home, made
glorious by her presence!

I can say your dear girls (three) pronounced me very
much of an - - - , but as they look back I would
ask them to attribute my acts - seemingly unbecoming
& undignified - to a charm of feeling due to such thoughts
& delights as I have just pictured above. I have my
remembrance of the three - indeed the four - generations that
I found in several hospitable homes - You have not forgotten
the finding one day that little red head in the grass? I have
no doubt it adds a charm to the already beautifully il-
luminated homes, made more so by its presence. My love to
them all - & to them of other homes; if they happen in your
way. The sweet tones of your dear Mother's voice - that
I have never forgotten since the the days of the Snow White

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+ Bay Pumps - with the sleigh bells. - I know you remember them -
ever hangs upon my ear + God grant she may yet be spared
with all of her faculties to comfort you with her sweet
words from day to day. Oh their mother - there is but one
+ no mortal can take her place!

I get a word from the Blue Grass now + then. Many
are missing since I was there! and blessed were they who
were ready.

Dear Cousin Mary - I longed to spend the balance of my
days in Fayette. but God willed otherwise - An ailment
culminated with my dear little wife which prevented
your knowing her - which would have been to have her
twice this year had I had to take her to Baltimore + she
is there now - for treatment. - And our dear little daughter
too is quite ill, for two months. With all we have had much
to contend with since we turned our backs upon the
loved few who are left - + the many loved spot, in Fayette.
Please give my love to all of your daughters + Miss Sully +
"Miss Ellen" + all of the little fellows - + my love for your
dear Mother + your dear self - with kind regards to the
gentlemen, all. I am sincerely + affectionately

Humphreys Castleman

~~BAKER & CO.~~
LEXINGTON, KY.

Reg. No. 268
BROOKLYN, N.Y. P.O.

SEP 11 1899
Sheepshead Bay, Sta.



Mrs Hart Gibson
Ingleid 81654
Lexington
Kentucky

Box 43

Hart Gibson Jr
25-15- Voorhies Ave.
Shepherdstown
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25-15 - Voorhies, Ave.
Sheepshead Bay, L. I., N.Y.
Sept: 10th 1899 -

My dearest - Mamma -

You dont know how happy
I was to get your last two letters.
we worry so much, when we dont
hear from home, I am so glad you
were able to spend the last season
at the White. And hope you have
been greatly benefited. I am awfully
sorry, my career out here has
been one of such great misfortune,
for I wanted to give you a trip.
Old Faithful, may be able to give
you one this winter. He ran a
grand race Friday. Got bless him.
He is my friend. And is ever

And at all times ready to come
to my rescue. We mailed Papa
a paper giving the account of
his race, and what the jocks from
the best did. I am delighted to
know the yearlings are doing nicely,
for they will be ready to take to New
Orleans this winter.

Bud's boy fever, has not been more
than a severe cold. And at times
hardly noticeable. The races are
over at Coney Is J-Club, and on
Tuesday they begin at Grossed,
only, about one mile & half away -
so we will remain where we are, and
walk the horse over when he races.
He will run again on Tuesday
and will be hard to be beaten -
I hope so at least.

Well, how are the cows and horses
getting along. What are to be sold this
fall. Am very glad you sold one cow

But and I will return home soon enough to take charge of the sale, and fix them up for the affair. I think you had better get Papa, to make out a list of the horses, giving the pedigree for a few lines, and then say "there will be fifteen or twenty cows & fifteen also sold," "good graded Jersey". I would have old man Gratz put this in his paper, from now on. (right-away) I would sell, on 6 months credit, with for all over \$2000.

Now Mama, do, do, this at once - for I think it will be a big relief to you, when they are gone. And then it will give you quite a nice little (nest egg) to invest -

in some thing more profitable. And
no worry about feeding them when it's
cold, and especially when there is no
feed. Mr Potter, and wife are staying
in New York. And we saw Potter
the other day at the races. He was
afraid we had all taken up Richie's
fun. But finding out differently
was most cordial, and is going
to entertain us in the City. He is
a nice little fellow. And we have
found out some of the trouble he
and R. T. G. had. The weather has
been too cold for us to go in
bathing. But we hope to get, as we
have not been in at all, yet.
We enjoyed our trip of (3) weeks at
Saratoga. And drank lots of water
we will try and see some of the
sights around here before leaving.
We of course have some quilt a little
I may race at Westchester. But think

The chances are, I will return to
 Cincinnati, as Star is in poor status
 there, and I don't think any horse
 in the west can beat him. The
 purses, selling races here are larger
~~than~~ than the stakes in the west,
 Star won the second largest one
 at the meeting, which was nearly
 eleven hundred to the winner. a
 few more like that will put me
 on my feet nicely. You had
 better trade ~~some~~ "Jobe" out of his
 (3) year old, half bro to Star. It
 will cost one hundred to name
 him now, so he won't sell for
 much. I got a paper rapper from
 Aunt Lily - with no paper in it.
 so rap them tight when sent.
 I enclose a little money, and will

get you to please see Justin
at once. And have him
make a picture off of each
negitave, of the ones Justin
at home, and send them to
me, as soon as possible here.
Now please have him do this
at once, without any delay -
I hope you all are well - and
some of you must write often
at least three times a week,
swing on to Horace Taylor.

Tell Papa to let me know how
my mare's look, and keep me
posted. And get to the bill -
as I will send on more money
when I get a check,
with a heart full of love and kisses
from the wandering one.

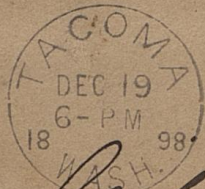
I miss my little Darling Truly,
every moment. Why was she taken? H. G. Jr
I would give my life to have her back.

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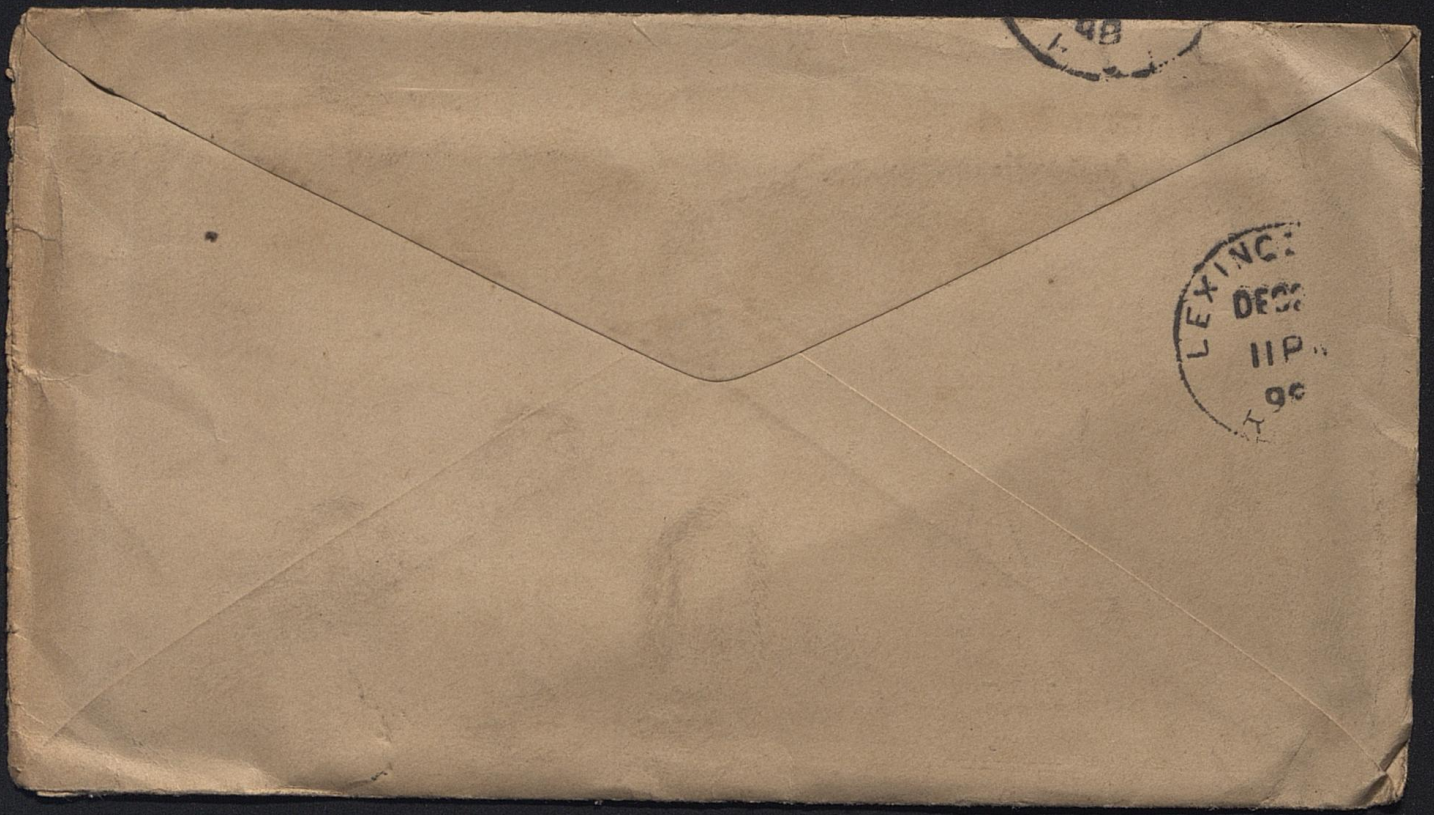
Remember I want a
picture of Grandpa
Duncan's house, and
one of Grandpa Gibson's

Please see to this as
soon as you get this
Love to all — H. G. W.

RETURN IN FIVE DAYS TO
COAST LUMBER COMPANY,
TACOMA, WASH.



Mr. Paul Gibson
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TACOMA, WASH.,

My dearest Mama - Friday Express
A small box containing some trances for
you at home. A great deal of love and
many good wishes go with it. The
card case for you is a bit of hand work
done in Mexico. rather unique I hope than
seen in the East. I fancy were in
Lexington. I chose a brace knob for
you in the same. I hope it has some
of the charm work which I hope someday
you ornament their own home. Having
heard Papa express himself on the
suspenders question. I did my best
this time for him. I Grandpa I have heard
that the Ladies Home Journal and I am sure
Aunt Lily will find the tape line indispensable

No one has mentioned Katie, consequently
I take for granted she is still a member
of the family. Of course it will be a
great Christmas on foot & I hope
the baby will have a little to give if
she does it. I believe all that goes on
Lyon is dis-illustrated. But does not
make take to enlighten Addison & I am
more than glad that he had one Christmas
at Syracuse with you all. I like you
remain in New York & I presume, I have
nothing from her for a month or more
she is so interested in her music, &
there is nothing like it to take me out
of the world & the rest of life. I am
all well, the boys have had slight colds
having gone to that camp. Tomorrow to return
Thursday. We shall try to have a jolly Christmas
I feel about it as I did when a child as if I were
now making a terrible effort to have a good time

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I'm low I'm afraid you would all
spend the day with Mary. Be sure to
see that she gets her "for God's
sake" let Bud have his three packs -
I'm fast just as soon as I can get
the underwear shipped I will. It has been
impossible thus far if Wm. is coming
he does not need it as it is too large
ask him to turn it over to Yess or Bud
The packages & Edger's boxes are coming
on for New Year's Day. Mrs. M. Wallace
leaves soon for Seattle. She is telling in
Tacoma that I was so invaluable that
she simply dropped me. It seems not to have
affected anyone but herself. She makes such an
ass of herself. I'm just back to Alaska
Bessie waits the house & your home indefinitely

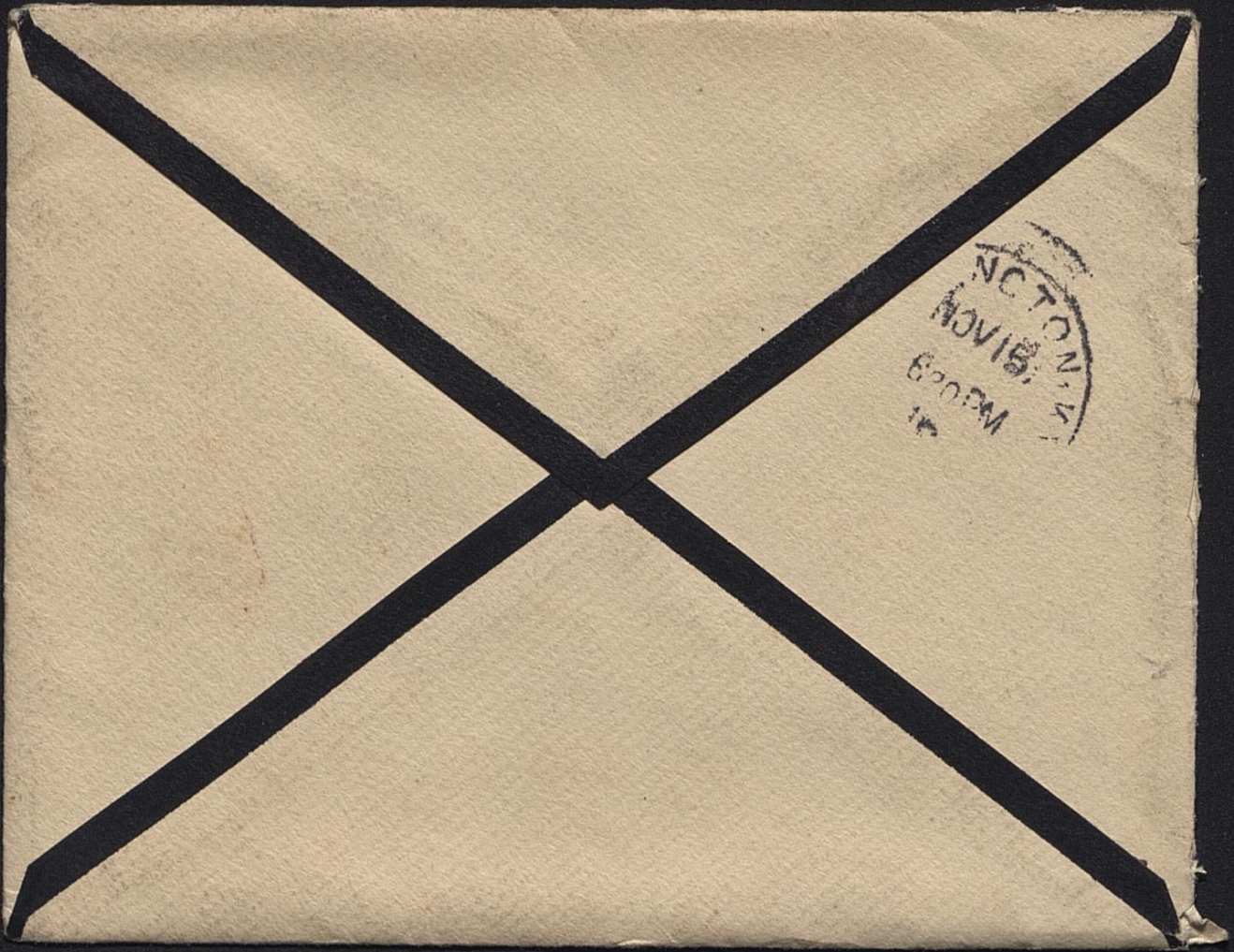
By the way Margaret Tyler will visit
the Donalls during the holidays of
you or Mary should see her please
make yourselves as agreeable as
possible for there is no telling what
will be stuffed in her case. I hope
that if you will go visit the Donall house
it will be all possible for the occasion again
& if Mary can do a little slight - of hand
it will be very beneficial all around -
I will see you, & when will that be see
you any where surely packed & will
have lots to tell you & maybe ask for
you & Papa. I in fact the family has
had a great impression here. I've to
see & Mary kisses with wishes to
all on a Happy New Year -
I hope Mary & Alice

Asstedly
Dundee

Monday December 19th 1898
Mr. A. G. Finches are selling stamps all the time



Mrs. Hart Gibson, Sr.
"Inglewade"
Junction,
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about her. Again thanking you for
your kindly interest and assuring you
of our loving gratitude, I remain
with affectionate remembrances to
all - Sincerely Your Cousin,

Ernest Moore

Stanwoldburg,

November 15th 1894 -

My dear Cousin Clara:

This prolonged delay
in acknowledgment of your
kind letter, demands an
apology as well as an
explanation. Auntie and
I appreciated your
thoughtfulness and
interest more than
words can express

That in all his ten years' experience
I had never seen as severe a case
of typhoid fever. The end came in
less than twenty eight hours after the
second hemorrhage (from the tonsils)
from which he never rallied, though
conscious until the last four hours.
Poor Auntie is heart-broken, and in
feeble health. I feel very anxious

but our hearts and
hands are so full
then, we could not
write. Every thing was
done for our poor, dear
boy that medical skill
could accomplish, but
there were so many com-
plications nothing availed.

The trained nurse
— one of the very best
in Louisville — said

The Hygeia Hotel,

Old Point Comfort, Va.

F. N. PIKE, PROP.

A. C. PIKE, M'GR.



Mrs. Hart Green
Highside
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back at half past eight, I
went to the Old Point train
at the station. The
This is a very fine
is right in the
The corners are all on the ground
The opening out on a

The Hygeia Hotel,

Old Point Comfort, Va.

F. N. PIKE, PROP.

A. O. PIKE, MGR.

Sunday, afternoon.

My dear Mother,

I reached my destination
in safety at half past
two - just as I
etc. - I wish to say and
George will be - I have
had - just as warm - I hope
to - never a better one

particularly along the line. As the
snow came falling together I
was down at once. I did not
expect to be in such a hurry to
get the papers for Monday. Making
every thing as light as possible I
took the paper for Richmond
ended in Richmond in time for

I would have been much
more comfortable in a
sack trail. I did
not know it thinking it
looked so easy. There
was a lot of am-
putation. Arriving at
the house I did not
see the view of parts
of the road which were
so familiar to me and
it was perfectly beautiful.

The Hygeia Hotel,

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which runs the full
length of the hotel. The
noise is apparently full,
but an ordinary speaking
lot of people. There
are quite a number of
young men so far I have
seen no one whom I
know. George has not
received orders yet, and

Nothing definite is known.
They are all pretty well.
Please try and take care
of yourself for your own
I shall write the whole
time I am away and
my letters up to Tuesday.
With love for all
Sincerely
Annie
Will my solid back chil-
dren!



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Meet them put both arms
around Lily and held her
for several minutes before
she knew who was her
assailant - she looks very fine.
Olio will be here in a few
days. What about Miss Eliza
Tell me she has been sick.
Let me know, if she is very
much so. I will go to
Washington. George is beautifully
beated here. does seem apity,
if he will have to go to war.
It may come next week. one
reason why I have remained
Love to all yours Aff
from

F. Sheridan
April 2nd 1898

My dear Mauna

I have been
owing to many things remained
here longer than expected -
but will be along I suppose
before a great while. I
took the liberty of extending
an invitation to visit to
visit me at Ingleside, as
long as he felt like it -
It seemed to please him
very much. Said he would

bring his "organ" down. I got a note
from him just this minute, saying that
he would be in Lexington today (Saturday)
or Sunday. I wish you would give him
a room, and make him as comfortable
as possible until I come. I would be glad
to have him with me for many reasons.
I have been away from the post quite
a little time, consequently did not receive
mails, and other letters until my return.
This is why I have not answered his
letter. A letter from Berdie says

The accommodation is comfortably ^{perhaps} ~~granted~~ ^{granted}
on the Kidd farm. ^{if you suppose} those you can manage
to get along until I return.
Oliver and Lily are here. I went in to