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My dear wife:

I have been staying  
over here since yesterday morning, and  
that I saw any particular reason for so  
doing but simply because I took a notion  
to do so. The letters forwarded to me were  
received yesterday. I am so glad to  
know that my little girl was so brave  
and good about her tooth. I am sure  
papa can never be discouraged  
when he has such a splendid hearted  
little daughter. It did me a  
vast amount of good by the very  
fact of the remembrance which it brought  
of what I owe to others. I have seen  
— let me see — Russell, Weston,  
Brooks, Fisher, Rutherford, Phillips  
and a heap more. Russell and Mar-

tin, think they can get me the  
appointment of Third Auditor. I  
have no such notion, but felt bound  
to encourage it. They may do so.  
I have been talking to Brooks. He  
does not speak very encouragingly  
of the journalistic idea. Of course,  
it strikes him as a sort of let  
down. But he says it would  
be a grand good thing for any  
paper to have me on it. And  
he will look out for me. He had  
two or three chances, one at Denver  
a few months ago which he  
could have got for me. He  
will have his eyes open and do the  
best he can. Very fortunately, I guess,  
I did not go to see Whitlam Reid and  
so, saved myself one crumb. I did  
go to see J. C. Reid, 'Mung' Ed. of the  
Times, and had some chat with him.  
He wanted the very article Reid  
would not take. Asked me to

write it at once and the  
one I send you was written  
in an hour, in Ed's office, so as to  
be ready for the morning paper.  
Rutherford and I, have been talking  
about a partnership here. I am not  
sure that it might not be a good  
thing. I shall hear from him  
before long on the matter. I found  
nothing favorable in New York except  
that I made the acquaintance of Reid  
and think I may work myself into  
a quasi connection with the Times.  
I shall write to Brooks about it a-  
gain. I think some place will  
show up. I am very tired with  
running around but am not  
at all discouraged. Love from  
Kaleigh tonight.

God bless you

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