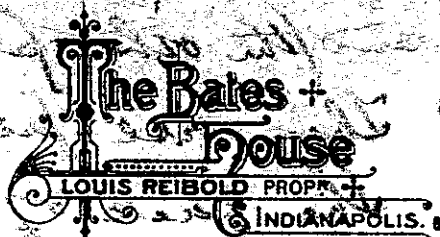


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My Darling:

As thine and thanks for your bright and letters. I shall only write a few lines to you - busy -

The lecture last night was another complete failure as far as audience was concerned - at least in the city. I expected that the gathering here was very cordial and that of friends called - Gen. Coburn - of Libby's firm - Austin Harrison - Gov. Porter - Judge Wood (of Goshen you remember) Addison Coffin of M.C. Shoffner - do - and Jim McKenzie of Courmont and etc.

But there were very few at the lecture except such ones. Of course there were lots of reasons - plenty of excuses. They are theories. The significant fact was - no audience - Somehow, I hardly felt bad about it - I dream of St Louis though. Cher has gone to

