

Conneaut O Mar 14<sup>th</sup> 91.

My dear Mrs Torque

Accept my most  
heartfelt thanks for your very  
sympathetic letter of Jan 22<sup>nd</sup>.  
To know that I have been  
so kindly remembered by  
so large a circle of friends  
is very comforting to me in  
these long days of my most  
grievous affliction.

Also to feel that the worth  
of my dear departed wife  
was appreciated by them is  
also a great satisfaction.

To have nearly all the bright  
hopes and anticipations of the future  
so suddenly swept away from me  
has been a most terrible and crushing blow.

Bright Castles that we had  
builded for the future enjoyment  
of ourselves and friends have  
vanished as the dew from  
the morning flower.

Little thought I, when we visited  
you last in your lovely home,  
and Chautauqua <sup>that</sup> that I should  
be our last opportunity to all  
thus mingle most happily together.

The dear one departed cherished  
a pleasant remembrance of  
you and your fathers family  
and often spoke of that very good  
visit at your home.

Lena and Mary are doing what  
they can to make our desolate home  
pleasant and they join with me  
in kindest regards to yourself and  
family and wishes for all matters.

Most sincerely your old friend  
Henry Grant.