

Duluth Minn.

Jan. 10th 1889

My Darling:

3 P.M.

I reached here this morn-
ing at 7.30. all right - though we
ran off the track in the night and had
quite a scare - nobody hurt though.

I was much distressed by the report
in the morning paper of the cyclone
in Pa but soon saw by the time
it occurred that you could not have
been in it. Hope you had a pleasant time
on your journey and will be as happy
as you hoped in the city.

I meant to have sent you a
draft from here but I lost \$20 -
- on account of the new pocket-
book - and have now but \$50 and
as I always hold on to something
until I get some more, I will
delay your draft until I reach home
unless on some point between and

which I may slip.

I have been out all day — with one friend and another looking on the town attending the court &c. I knew you would want me to do so rather than work on my story.

I must say my dear that I think this is going to be a great metropolis. It is perfectly wonderful what it is and how it has grown.

I met lots of old friends Cousins of Jefferson, West of Newburne and Bachelor of Kingsville. Have been to Court and are wonderfully impressed with the plan

It is ~~not~~ not pleasant but is wonderfully picturesque. I don't think you would like it. It is not verdant nor arborescous — climbed pines and swarms — but iron coal wheat from the Red River — shipping — business. The city will be the most picturesque in America — is building up finely and shows immense wealth. It will be the Pittsburg of the North west but much greater than Pittsburg. In 25 years I think ~~it~~ it will be greater than St Paul and

Minneapolis together. These are
my impressions. The people are
— as good as any at the
West and I take it about as
rough-fibered.

Shall leave here at 6.30
tomorrow morning and
get to Lake Linden. Heaven
knows where.

The weather here is perfectly
delightful — bright, brisk and just
cool enough to be pleasant. There is
no snow at all. It looks as
if I might get through without
being snowed in yet.
Love to both. Yours

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