



**THE GRAND PACIFIC HOTEL.**

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Chicago, Jan 23d 1889—

My dear wife:

I have just had an interview with Clayton and his partner and as I telegraphed you the matter is finally pretty definitely arranged. I am to start about April 15<sup>th</sup> and lecture till about July 10<sup>th</sup> or 15<sup>th</sup> and to return by the Northern Pacific about Sept. 15, and remain in the Northwest until Christmas or thereabout.

We can get tickets from Chicago to San Diego with stopover wherever we choose — up through California Oregon and Washington and back here any time within six months for \$124. each.

Of course there will

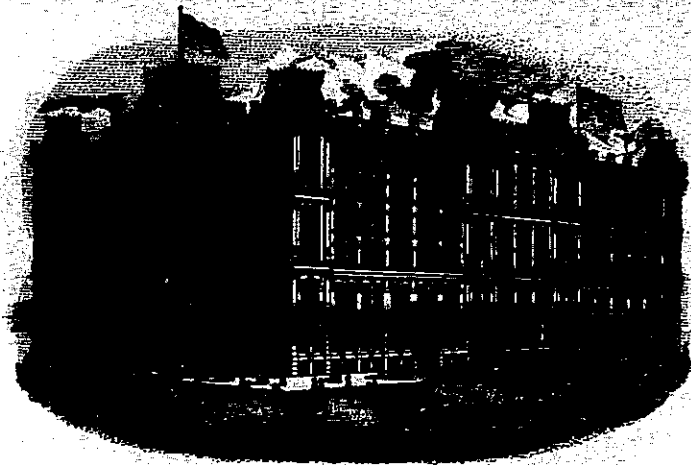
be outside travel but that is the  
main trip and is very cheap indeed.

Slayton says the time is nearly all filled  
in to about March 30 - Of course he  
lies - he always does, but that is  
no matter.

I do not like Lodie's weakness.  
Why not give her some wine and  
iron? She needs to keep taking  
something on a tonic character  
long enough to have some ef-  
fect upon her. The way she does  
of taking something three or four  
times and then quitting is no  
good at all.

Am very glad her eyes are well  
and that Miss Emily is pleased with  
her.

Had a pleasant time at Beloit -  
dare - though my throat troubled  
me a good deal. I am going  
to cure the cold today and  
tomorrow - if I am  
I will get this off by the



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to-night's mail is so as to relieve  
your anxiety over the lecture mat-  
ter.

Your letters were all here and  
most gratefully received. The one to Bel-  
videre did not put in an appearance.  
Hereafter do not write in care of the cor-  
respondent. The Post office is the surest  
way. Then I know just where to go for  
my mail matter.

The date at Beaver Falls, Pa, is can-  
celled. I am not sorry; that gives me  
a week and better to rest and do my articles.  
Copy and send to me out of the scrap-book the  
extract from Greeley's Texas speech about  
keeping the South remaining solid against  
the negro.

You will find in it also two or  
three years ago an extract from  
the report of a Committee of Colored  
Ministers in Charleston, S.C. - in  
which they speak of the impossibility  
of the master understanding  
the slave. I want that too.

You can try your new machine  
on these and send them to Mayville,  
as soon as convenient.

I have an awful headache and  
will write no more -

Yours very truly  
You are the slave of  
W. W. W.