



THE GRAND PACIFIC HOTEL.

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My dear Wife:

I am here, in good condition with \$138.⁵⁰ of which I send you \$100. I shall have the \$60 at Sandwich and besides have received a detail for Escanaba, Mich for Monday night \$70. so that I shall have enough.

I have been wondering for half an hour if you ever think of the strange thrilling pleasure it gives me to send you money. I cannot at all describe it to you but it amounts almost to rapture to send you money, because it is you and because I have earned it — coined something of my life for your sake. I never write your name upon a draft or

enclose money in any manner
to you without this curious feeling
and I always wonder whether it
receipt gives you any peculiar heart
throbs. Oh, my darling, if I could only
supply all that you desire, give you
as much as you so beautifully
deserve, it would make me very
happy.

You will get this in time to go
to Philadelphia and I hope will do so,
— if you can leave mother still is.

I have wondered if I could not get
something and mail to you which
she would like. I will keep my eyes
open when I go out and see if there
is not some sort of preparation I
think she might fancy. Of course it
could not be anything much, but she
might like it because I sent it.

I have had three railroad acci-
dents which have fortunately neither
injured nor delayed me serious-
ly. On the train from Buffalo to the
Bridge a cylinder burst and burst
the fireman but only made an hour's



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Delay. We ran off the track near Flint Mich and smashed up one car but hurt nobody seriously. On the way here from Muskegon, the shaft of a drive-wheel on the engine broke just after leaving a station. If we had been under full headway it might have been serious. As it was I just caught the last train out to ~~to~~ Elgin.

At Muskegon I met Dickerman Adjt 105 Ohio vols. Chubb of the same, Adolphus Hunter and Henry Skelley. Hunter asked after all of you, especially Elgin. Henry is living there, looks well; had a pleasant chat with him. Did not see his wife or daughters.

At Elgin last night I met
Mrs. Kimball (nee Augusta Russell.)
She is a fine looking woman with
white hair and dark eyes. I also
made the acquaintance of a whole
family of Kilbourn's, who insisted on
asking me to relate your entire
family history in the aisle of the
Opera House. H

Have had good audiences
— large ones, indeed — and have
felt very well.

Found no letters here.
You evidently missed your Monday
letter. Am going now to get your
draft and telegraph lest you
should be anxious tomorrow.

I trust that you may all have
a happy thanks giving. Have not
yet been out at all.

I don't bless you
Arthur