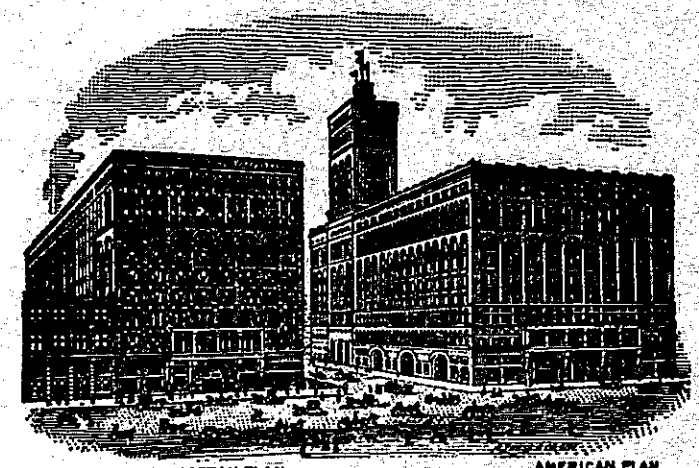

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My dear Wife:

Arrived at 7.30. went out to Ravenswood: back at 10.30; Entertainment at 11: returned to hotel at 2 or and am just through with my luncheon. Am to go to dine with Bushey at six; stay over night and leave here at 8 pm tomorrow; arriving in Washington about 5 or — on Thursday. This is the outline of what is and is to be. Now for details.

Grace and Archie met me at the station. Grace went out home with me and took me out to a boarding-house for breakfast. Warren asked very

I could not eat breakfast there — that is at Dana's — and Grace promptly answered "Because he will get a better breakfast at Mrs. Ingersol's." which, if true, I am truly grateful to her for insisting upon.

I staid with Sis until 10 o'clock. She is not able to sit up at all. Took a bad cold and has the old pain in her liver; but is bright and cheerful. The house is small; rooms small, cluttered — dull. Her bed room is just large enough for a bed, wash-stand and a small bureau, on one side of it: on the other there is just room for a chair between bed and wall. The two sitting rooms — one of which I suppose is a bedroom at night — are each about as large as your writing room at home — not any larger. It is all that our house is not. The yard is unenclosed and commonplace. I think she is getting over the glamour of the change and wishes she were back. She

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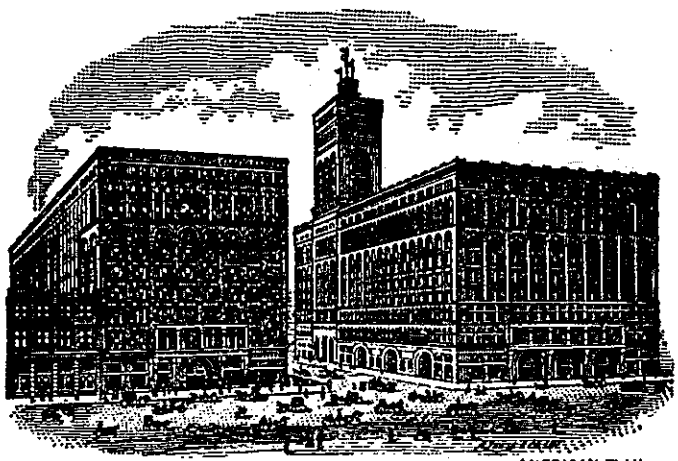

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ch him. Don't let him get off on anything else."

So I left and, until he said that he would talk with Busbey and see if there was any way to keep the matter out.

Both men are looking very well indeed: never saw Busbey looking so well. He is fleshy and his beard as white as snow. Lots of people (whom Busbey had let know I was coming) were waiting to see me.

Nixon says that McKinley, despite the fact that Kohlsaat became his trustee, stands by

asked all about the office; how the house looked and seemed to wish she had not come away. However, her eyes are clear, she seemed cheerful and is, I think fairly well content.

I came in to see Nixon and talked to him with some interruptions until 2 oc. Nothing is decided. Busbey is to come for me at 5 oc and Nixon is to talk things over with him. He — Busbey — is very anxious. He says nothing, but his anxiety is evident.

Nixon says he has still a great burthen to pull through. He will do it he says, but he had to pay Kohlsaat $400.000. and took it just as the turn came in Chicago affairs. He gave me a full history of matters and I think, wanted to do so in order to have me approve him. I was interrupted now and then, and Busbey would say; "Have you got through; keep

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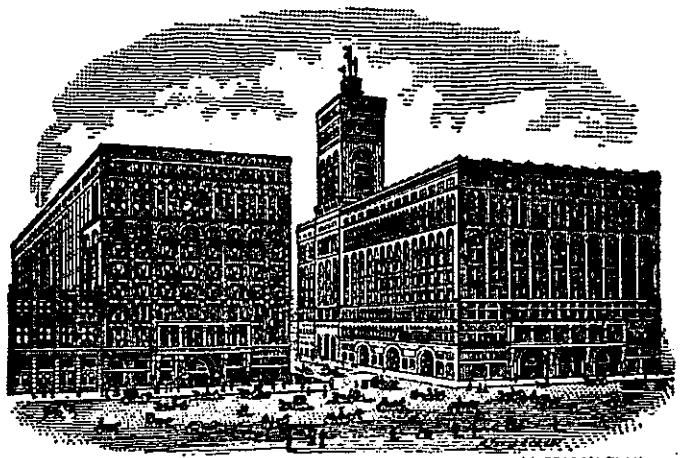

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him and the Inter Ocean, and declares that he owes his popularity at the west more to the Inter-Ocean than to any ten other papers - and does not back down a hair.

The story of McKinley's telling Platt he was going to appoint me and would ~~[illegible]~~ like to have him endorse me, he says, got out in Washington and was the cause of a good deal of fun.

I hardly saw much of Dama. Both she and Willie expressed themselves as very glad we had got rid of Mrs Plemmons. They

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she made herself very offen=
sive by her egotism and they
were afraid she would har=
made herself on ~~the~~ hadie
after we were gone.

Grace has just called me
on the telephone to say she
has sold my ticket and got
me a Washington ticket over
the B & O. for tomorrow at
three o'clock.

Send one copy of the
story of Thousand to Capt.
— at Danville Ky. You
know his name.

Love to hadie. The dear
brave child, I am afraid she
will be awful lonesome.
She must have some one
to stay with her and take
her meals at Howard's and
have a good time. I am
going to write to Gen. Porter
about her as soon as I get
to Washington. Remember
me to Peter. I will try and

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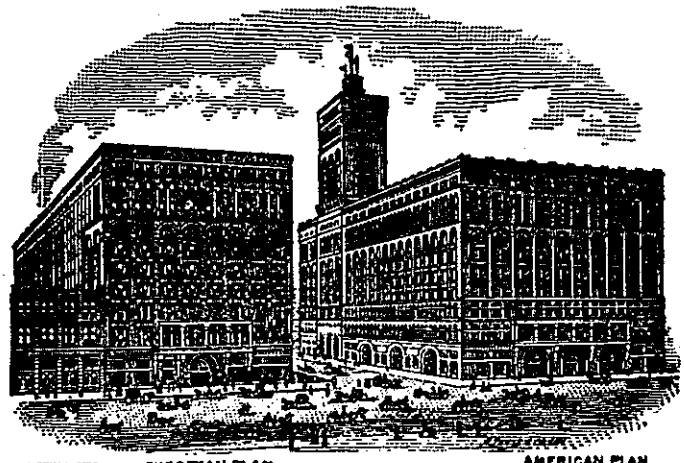

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write him tomorrow but want him to be sure and remember & did not seem to run away without shaking his hand. I wish him to feel that I think there is no better man nor better friend in Mayville, than he.

I hope it is such as he with you as here and that you will not work yourself out before going on to new work,

Yours,

Allen W. Tourgee

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