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Dear Mother:

Your last letter came duly at hand, as well also the Mercury for which I am very much obliged - I hope you will be able to send the Mercury every week as Josie sends word that they do not get the Sunday papers any-more and she will have to discontinue sending them and it is quite an acquisition to my reading matter - I get the Herald regularily every day and keep well posted on the Political and general news - Tammany Hall troubled and all the combinations Tweedism &c I tell

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Dear Mother -

Your welcome letter dated 7th inst was received Friday - I was anxiously looking for a missive from you - as about this date I was on the alert about the Intenst matters, there is no doubt but that it will be attended to, but perhaps not as punctual as you might wish - I hope you will exact enough to send Mr Dewey, the tax papers and assessment along with the Bank notices - he may be a little tardy and it wont be any harm to prompt him up - I wouldnt worry about

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you it puts him and works for the papers to let him alone the least thing that savors of political Capital brings in his name - Politics is quite interesting here and I enjoy standing on the outside and looking on - go to town most every evening and buy the fire in one of the stores - sit around on the counters and do as the natives do - by the way talking about fires we have had quite a spell of cold weather here since Thursday creeks frozen up - overcoat is quite comfortable, get up in the morning and break the ice in the rain water tubs to get enough water to wash

having riden with team horses and open wagon 150 miles was up two mornings at 5 A.M. & off and on the 6 until 6.30 P.M. we stopped over two nights at Ben's making one of our trips from his home to Lawrence and return one day

it, at all - as regards your monthly installments, go at him regular, and if it fails repeat the dose moderately - I will hope for more satisfactory news very soon - It seems to be the impression that Aunt Mary will remain at Greenwich during the winter - I rather guess she will find it a more difficult task than she anticipates - but she can make visits to 57th St and remain some time - it will not be as easy for you to entertain as it is to them but it would make you feel under a much easier obligation - financially - and would work a power of good

rode all one day and it rained most of the time - heavy overcoat - rubber coat rubber blanket & umbrella - only got a little damp - why I can lay down in the bottom of a wagon and sleep - but its rough

I think it would be a grand idea and if Aunt Mary decides to keep open house - I would be the first to extend the hospitality of 57th St - you may depend it will not do any harm - and there's a satisfaction in being able to allay in the smallest measure the troubles of any one - The weather was unusually dry and hot up to last Tuesday - had quite a heavy rain - cleared again after threatening and was a beautiful day Thursday - yesterday Saturday, commenced again and has hardly stopped since - rained at times very hard - nice country when its good and wet - mud over your shoes, sticky and

Slippery, the creeks, whose beds have been dry all Summer have started on their missions again and two or three days hard rain will swell a stream, from 15 to 20 feet deep, where before was a dry bed - The wind is East, to day is very disagreeable, and it now looks like a settled storm - I thought it couldn't rain here, but from the looks of the Country in places where its gullied out - I've come to the conclusion, that as yet we have had only attempts at rain - Uncle Charlie and myself started last Monday on business, around different townships &c returned Thursday

riding - I am very careful of myself and feel very well. Ed was much better a week ago Saturday and slipped off & walk to town in the hot sun - had a re-lapse and has been on his back since, a pretty sick boy - billious fever - fever is all gone - lie is fast improving but weak - just down 2 weeks yesterday - all the rest are well

and send love - write soon - Ar Ever with love Son Alfred

in, that's healthy aint it? Yes healthy and cold - Have been busy all the week getting ready to start for Denver - borrowed an old pair of Ed's pants and they were so short had to stick them in my boots - we expect to leave Tuesday (Election day) at 5 P.m - will arrive in Denver about 5 P.m Thursday - travel until 10 P.m Tuesday and then have to lay over until Wednesday at 5 P.m before we make a connection, then it is only 24 hours to Denver - I am somewhat disappointed in not being able to have had the necessary Capital in addition to have joined the

Staple goods, that is the general grocery with the Produce and thereby have built on a double and positive foundation - but will have to try with the Produce as a specialty - well we will give a trial any how and will hope for success - I will be more able to write in my next - I have quite a little writing to do to day - and as there is no church at the Episcopable House to-day - all around and my writing may be a little disconnected - send your next letter to Denver city Colorado - all send love - am well & send love to all

Your Son Alfred.

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