

will now do at church
time to a large by some
time, I presume you will
think that I should have
said as well as I did
and you - well I will
do this evening - I love
the evening service
much better - the
singing is congrega-
tional and the
Rev. Mr. Bush is
extemporizing on
the parable of the
buses
AND FROM ALL TRAINS.

TREMONT HOUSE,

Thirteenth Street, Head of Blake.

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Denver, Col., Jan 7 1875

Dear Mother

Your letter of last Monday came
into my possession this morning - having ar-
rived last evening, Ed having the P.O. key, got it
out and handed me - your letter came from
Kansas City ^{via Omaha} here via Union Pacific to Cheyenne
and from there on the Denver Pacific South to
Denver - our Kansas Pacific being so badly
snowed up, that the mails have been sent
that way lately, and have we not been
snow bound, no trains of any kind, on our
most direct road east & west. Since last
Thursday or week or the 7th inst, they have
had a regular siege of it, but I have written
you from time to time by postal card to a
new medium for me, and your few degrees
below zero, don't touch our 28° and 31° and 12° and
below have been quite a common standard for
the last ten or fifteen days. The snow block
will be a very large item of loss to the rail

reach one and
sometimes two at a
time Sunday evenings
this room and being
very interesting -
well now I have
well written you up
to-day - I know you
enjoy receiving and I
do really enjoy writing
and believe I could
duplicate this one - can you
read my dictating - I try and write plain - lots of love & all
your affe. - Son Alfred.

road, the R. P. Road or Union Pacific ^{and} most
~~western~~ Pacific - is the road via Omaha - the
road which created such an excitement ^{and}
of which we heard so much East of, some
years ago of crossing the American Continent to
that road at an immense expense is well
protected with Snow Sheds - our road or Kansas
Pacific, bearing farther South on the map. but
most direct road here from East, running as it
does across and endless tract of prairie
land, with nothing but snow fences to protect
its cuts, the wind ^{and} snow have a full play
at it - and as in one instance over 60 miles
had to be shoveled out, more wind ^{and} the
men turned right around and had to
shovel back over the same ground - the
weather being cold, the snow remained dry
and the wind as it sweeps across the
plains, would undo the work as fast as it
was done, one or two intermediate snow storms
only made things worse - the weather mod-
erating a little through the day, during the
last day or two, least had the effect to
dampen the snow, and we hear to-day ^{that}
the road is open again, and a train will
be in during the next 24 hours - Business
has been unusually dull - we have 4 bbls
of game - 1 box of game ^{and} 14 bbls of eggs ^{on}
the road somewhere between here ^{and} Burlington
the game will keep all right - unless the ^{Company}

wrote a letter to Uncle
William some time ago
have hardly had
time to receive any
answer, hardly ex-
pect any, but could
I write the present
state of affairs

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BUSSES
GO FROM ALL TRAINS.

feed it up, as they are taking care of about
80 passengers besides 200 or 300 men - must it
not be pleasant to be snowed in at some
little station on the road for ten days - taking
what you can get, and sleeping in the cars or
any where your means allows you to, every
one is very comfortable however and they
are at a station - the company will go far,
as burning up cars, when necessary for
comfort, the compliment of passengers worst at
this season is light - any eatables on the train
in case of necessity they confiscate ^{and} pay for -
the eggs unless they strike unusually cold
weather ^{and} freeze will be all right - Not having
any poultry or game, has not been any in
town since the blockade - has made our
trade run very light indeed, no doubt
making a difference of 30% to us since the
blockade - we will feel it very materially
especially as the game law runs out in

If he only considers
to do for you as he
has and is doing
I am perfectly
content to kiss for
1877 my self - See book
out for my self for
I am so grateful for
what he is doing for
this time -
I think too much of myself - really done - at

February in Kansas, and makes the season short for us, but still we may be very fortunate, and if the weather keeps cold, run it all off at a neat margin, we can't always expect to strike it just as we would wish for our own immediate gain, we must make the good times pay for the bad ones, so runs life, and I will be content with it, as it comes - Step by step, we will and must advance - until my greatest ambition is reached, and that is some good situation and place in a General Grocery business - where in which, life will be more active and happy busy from morning till night, drive and don't have time to think of anything else, that's my greatest ambition my fondest hope - not merely Butter, Eggs, and cheese - Game &c, but everything in a General line, where any or every one can come in and be waited on, for any demands in the Grocery line - There are so many houses - large Commission Houses, large Capitals and of established reputations, that handle goods by the car loads, Eggs Butter &c that we receive many a knock and many a drawback, especially being strangers, they are hard to enter into competition with - we buy our own goods direct and sell - any loss on sales, we all feel - they, the Commission Houses, sell according to the market, retain their Commission, not having any capital invested, and return the balance to the Consignor, the loss if any falling on the Consignor - now I am not finding any fault & am I dissatisfied - I am only showing - why

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TO AND FROM ALL TRAINS.

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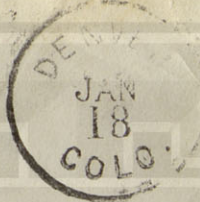
my ambition leads me to entertain the idea that I would be better contented in some growing, thriving place, in the General business, or to be plain, when I look to the time when I shall be able to make such a change, it will take time, and that I will allow. I had written to Uncle Alfred on the same subject and give you my ideas, that you might be better able to canvass the subject were it ever brought before you, and to put yourself in a position to talk understandingly - I am content and see no reason, why we should not succeed, but I am way out here - I am naturally "high strung" - and it's no harm and rather pleasant - to imagine one's self sitting on the highest round of the ladder - calmly surveying behind, laughing at the many stumbling blocks, and intricate windings through which one has passed - If I can only reach it in reality I can't but feel, that I must

run many a gauntlet ^{and get many a kick - the} harder and steeper, they come, the harder I will have to fight to contend against and win - So bidding air castles adieu - I will commence with paying and living up to "Never say die" - well I have concluded to make a change in my room - have concluded, that having to dress wash and be in a room, in extreme cold weather and especially as we have had it, without any heat or fire whatever, in the room at any time is almost too much of a tax on health to be beneficial - going in of a cold night into a cold room - my hands and feet I have to be washed teeth cleaned and by that time I am really cold - The barber in the Hotel only himself and wife, have a very comfortable little house, only about 2 blocks from the Hotel - he has a room - front room, only one story house - entrance in room, from front door - room full width of house very nicely furnished, black walnut set - high head board - bedstead and bureau - marble top - dressing case style, nicely carpeted and furnished - small stove in room - If I wish fire every evening - I can have by furnishing coal - his wife to attend to it - if only occasionally and always for Sunday mornings, he will furnish coal to at \$9 per month his wife will do my washing at \$1 per doz - the room is as large again as the one I now occupy - with many additional conveniences and \$1 cheaper - now pay about \$10 - per month. House is 3 rooms deep, he using the two other rooms and kitchen, leaving the front entrance for me alone - expect to make the change to move on Tuesday - would let the room to two for \$10 - but I would rather be alone - he and his wife are very pleasant and say I can run in the kitchen whenever I please - and have warm water, whenever I want it - now isn't that economical and comfortable - furnish me with clean towel every day and keep room and bed - linen in order - could not get

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