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April 24, 1912 27 East 65th Street

My dearest Franklin,

I was perfectly delighted to get your charming letter from Kingston today. I have followed you so every step of the way, and you must have had a wonderful trip. I did not think you could have it as smooth as we had it in 1904, but you have. It gave me pleasure that you "wished I had been there." To tell you the truth I was wild to go and could easily have done so, but I did not like suggesting it, as I felt it was pleasanter for you and Hall to go "unhampered". I do wish Eleanor had gone as it turned out so smooth but I think she would hardly have felt comfortable to have me move the family down, and she had to work awfully hard and think very hard before she got away. and she seemded to remember everything, even tho' at one day's notice she moved a whole day earlier than planned. She. and the babes all look well and are perfectly settled. Baby feeling his teeth still and nurse says he is cross. He is really not as friendly as usual. This morning your Uncle Fred came up here from 36th Street, to see Anna and James before going down town. He held them both on his lap and they were very friendly and he said "Oh, I wish they were mine". He certainly is a wonderful nature. Last Friday he and Aunt Tilly and Uncle Warren and Mr. and Mrs. Norton dined here. Mr. Norton is a very charming person and Mrs. Norton amusing, you would like them both.

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Except for these diversions I have not been able to get my thoughts away from the awful disaster, it seems too terrible to be true. The confidence in the "unsinkableness" of the great ship, the shortage of life boats, of long distance glasses no search lights, all these faults are doubtless common to all the great liners. Such warnings are I suppose necessary from time to time and for a time great care will be taken. Rosy is much upset over poor Jack Astor's death and spends most of his time at Mr. Tedyard's office. Mr. Millet, Mr. Widener, Major Archie Butt and Mary, others were well known but oh! the tragedies in the steerage as well. Even if we ought not to believe all we read, the facts reamin some splendid things redeem it, the band playing till they sank, the stewards standing at the rail singing "Nearer My God to Thee" as the last life boat was moving out of sight! Eleanor does not want me to go even to Philadelphia with her and so I may give it up especially as Laura will probably go to Phil. with her, she is coming here for Saturday night. If Laura goes, E. will go to bed soon after L. leaves the train. She won't hear of my going to New Orleans! I think you and she will have enough to talk about to keep it up till you get to Silver City. I am going to Hyde Park on Saturday for the day as it will be my last sewing class and in the evening Eleanor and the Stewards will dine here, en famille. This takes you much love darling, ever your devoted

Mummy