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LINCOLN LETTER

Dear Penelope:

Don't be alarmed—nothing serious has happened! Two letters from me in one week I know will be a shock to your delicate constitution; however, on the strength that joy never kills I will venture the surprise.

Three distinct elements should be present in every epistolary communication: time, a postage stamp and something to say. In my satisfaction in possessing the first two named qualifications I am reconciled to the absence of the third, especially as tonight my soul glows with the consciousness of duty well performed—I have mended my stockings for Sunday morning! And not only mended the holes, but darned a spot where there was no hole at all, but simply a thin place which looked as if it might develop into one without the application of a counter-irritant. I have also mended my gloves—did I ever tell you about those old brown gloves? Once upon a time, like the earth and its people, they were very new. But their days of usefulness have been many; and through faithfully protecting me from the cruel, cold world they have grown old and worn. Each morning I sally forth with the holes neatly mend-

ed; each evening they are carefully inspected to discover what new leaks have been sprung during the day. Fortunately they were made of mixed black and brown yarn; I am therefore able to carry on my repairs with black darning cotton in the happy consciousness that I am not interfering with the original color schemes.

A recent letter from a friend in your city stated that she was the proud possessor of four new flannel waists. As if to further remind me of my insignificance she added that her mother had remodeled two others so that they, too, were as good as new. It seems to me that a girl with six flannel waists must be invincible. Under the strain of such an experience I know that my mind would give way. There is a grim satisfaction sometimes in seeing how many things one can do without. The significance then is apparent of the reflection of Socrates, who, after looking into a shop window, naively remarked, "How many things there are in the world that I don't want."

I have not been to the theatre this week. On Wednesday we are to have the pleasure of seeing Blanche Walsh. May the fates grant us a fine evening! Lately the weather has gotten into a habit of doing its most disagreeable things on theatre nights. I believe I must be a kind of living barometer. On the rare occasions when the sun shines and the wind doesn't blow I am so happy and amiable that the recording angel has to work over hours writing down things to my credit. When the wind blows fiercely at night I am possessed by a wild desire to go out and commit murder. When Nature pleads for sympathy with her wailing winds and weeping skies, I want to either commit suicide or get into bed and send for the doctor. Speaking of doctors reminds me of a young friend who has added dignity to the medical profession by his adoption of it. Endowed by nature and circumstances with unusual advantages, he is now enjoying a measure of success which usually comes only after years of faithful service.

Earnest and sincere, with that constancy of purpose which is the secret of success, there is no limit to the possible achievements of this young disciple of Aesculapius. Most wonderful of all he is unspoilied by his popularity. It requires twice as much innate greatness to enable a young man to remain unspoilied by success as it does to achieve the success itself.

There has been a woman's rights convention "in our midst" this week. More literally it was a woman's wrongs convention, judging from the subject of discussions at the various meetings. While thoroughly in sympathy with the suffrage movement, still I was impressed by the fact that a little more knowledge of parliamentary law might be of use to the dear creatures who hope to occupy positions of national responsibility. One point of superiority over the brethren was in the pledging of a thousand dollars in less time and with fewer groans and bewailings than would be required to secure one-tenth that amount from an equal number of men.

I am greatly interested in your experiments in telepathy. Be sure to keep me posted in regard to later developments. Apropos I will tell you a little experiment in thought-transference of which I heard the other day. A young man in college found himself sorely in need of funds. Drawing on the home bank for the sum of fifty dollars, he immediately wrote to his father telling him of the occurrence and asking him to honor the demand. At the identical moment that the young man was writing the letter, the father, reading his paper by the kitchen fire, looked up and said, "Mother, I wish you'd shut that door—I thought I felt a draft."

From all indications, Penelope, I will soon be compelled to both write and answer my letters if I persist in carrying on this animated correspondence with you. May I not have at least a line of appreciation of my persistency in trying to secure a response from you?
Yours,
ELEANOR.
Lincoln, Nebraska, Saturday Evening.

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