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CHICAGO Sep't 9th 1901.

Martinez, Cal.

My Dear Friend:-

We received yours of the 24th ult with newspaper clipping, which I enclose herewith.

Tomorrow my old company is to be merged in the big consolidation, and further proceedings will interest me but little. So the next day wife and I will leave for our cottage in Wisconsin, where we expect to remain till the last of October.

Now about the typewriter; we have about 30 machines in use in our office, seven different makes. I talked today with one of our best and oldest writers, and she tells me that the "Remington" is by long odds the best. She says there are some things about the later machines that are nice tho' not necessary, but, as she expressed it, "they are half the time in the hospital", she means for repairs. I am sure you will find the machine a great aid in your work, and that Helen will really enjoy working on it, will learn to use it and with rapidity, especially if she can at the start take a few lessons in fingering. The Remington people will give the necessary lessons without charge. Now if you would have her take lessons in short hand, and when she has learned so as to take your talk as fast as you speak, which is not fast, then you sit down and tell Wanda or any person what you wish to say, Helen can take it in short hand, copy it out on the machine, and you will find it better than you can write it.

With kind regards to you all I remain

Your sincere friend

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