

54 Wall Street

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My dear Cousin Ellen

I received your letter of the 4th. last night and was very sorry to hear that you had been sick during the Summer + Fall, your letter was the first I had heard of it. I was also sorry to hear that you were so pushed for ready money and wish that I was able to send you an amount that would relieve present anxiety. As it is it affords me pleasure to hand you my check for the \$100⁰⁰ which you mention which you will of course understand is to be repaid only when it is perfectly convenient for you to do so. If you had written me a year ago it would have caused me some trouble to have sent the money

but this year I have it in hand and
am glad to use it this way.

If Willie is starting out to work for himself
I hope that he will find some good
opening that will lead to a permanent
business. How long will it be before
Mary & Ellen graduate?

When you write let me know how you
are all getting along; it is only when my
thought turns to your family that I
realize how long it is since I have
seen the children and I imagine
that I would hardly know the younger
ones. My wife has a very pleasant
recollection of Selden as we saw him
when at Belefton and we sometimes
laugh over the story that he gave
her when he replied to her question
as to when he got some cherries that
he was eating that "your father gave
them to me." I was the one who in

Aldens mind was her father but as
she did not realize this at once she
wondered if he had had a vision.
With love to all and wishing you
a happy new year

Yours truly

M. Edlagie

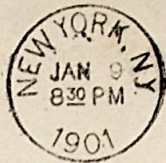
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