

Wilmington, Pa. Apr. 2nd. 1900

Dear Mr. Farline,  
I do thank you for the  
delightful invitation it con-  
tained. It is the kindest,  
loveliest thing for you to ask  
me, and you can't think  
how I appreciate it. I wish  
with all my heart I could  
accept and spend those  
delightful days with you  
all, but the truth is I have  
not dared to allow myself  
to even wish to go to the  
missionary meeting because

you again for  
your loving thought  
for me, dear Carrie,  
I love you  
I love you  
I love you

I know so well that I have not strength for such pleasures. I have been rather better as to health this winter until within the last month, when I have had two attacks of grippe, which have left me miserable. Scott says it would be "suicide" for me to attempt to go to the Conference, and I am forced to believe he is right, much as I should love to go. And, of all things, to go with you, and, see in a while, perhaps, with dear Mary - how such company would add to my delight in the meetings themselves. And

I should so much enjoy being in your sweet home again, Carrie. It is wonderfully kind of you to ask us, and we appreciate it highly. Every time I read about the meeting I shall feel proud to remember I had such an invitation!

Do come and see us, visit you, and bring George and the children! You have no idea of the pleasure of the whole family when George gives us even such a little visit as he once in a while does. We think it is lovely of him to do it,

and all only dissatisfied be-  
cause he is here so short a  
time. But do come; one and  
all, great and small, this  
summer, won't you, Annie?

We are expecting Sara home  
for a week's vacation next  
Wed. (the 11<sup>th</sup>) but Tom will not  
get home until June.

I am hoping for a little  
visit from Mary + Edmund  
before long, and want your  
mother to spend some time  
with us when the weather  
gets settled. I am in a great  
hurry for deal spring now,  
green grass, apple-blossoms,  
and all sweet things.

Give my love to your husband  
and children, and let me thank