

FIFTH AVENUE HOTEL.

MADISON SQUARE NEW YORK. Dec 14th/98.

Mr H.A. Pomroy

Dear Sir

Your letter of the 13th received this morn, asking me "will it be convenient for you to come down town on Saturday 17th" which means, I reckon as your Uncle and cousin did, for one of you to come for me in a coupé, as they always did,^x if you do not hear from me on Friday morn, I shall not be able to [be] with you, as I am suffering from a grippal attack.

very truly

Jo. L Newcomb.

[in another handwriting] to examine her securities [in the same hand at top of letterhead the word "no" was written]

^xand send me home

Editor's note:

Grippal is a variation from the French *la grippe* referring to flu like symptoms such as fever, funny nose, sore throat.