

587 West 145th Street Nov 10th 1899.
C/o of Rev John Chamberlain D.D.N.Y.

Mr James M^cConnell,
My dear friend,

This morn's mail has brought me your kind favor of the third with two postmarks of 4th & 5th, and last evenings mail brought me one from Miss Kate Atkinson of the sixth, where has yours been? with yours, this morning came one from Messrs W. & C. the latter would call to see me Monday (13) and enclose their letter. I cannot express to you my great disappointment in the continued delay, and probably from Messrs W & C's letter, increased expenditures, attending he Humphreys

Case; the last time I saw Mr C, I told — — — [words were erased and replaced by dashes] him, I wanted no litigation but everything clean and clear.* While in Richfield I received your kind letter of August 15th, writing me "as I expect to come North in the month of September, probably the latter part, and will then have the pleasure of meeting and conferring with you" is the reason I did not reply to it. — Having to leave Richfield Springs on Oct^r 18th when the house closed, Mr C, wrote to the 5th Ave Ho, and could not get our rooms; I then wrote my dear friend Mrs John Chamberlain, who was with me in N.O. one month the winters of 97 & 98 and who was ready to receive us, and do hope Mr C, appreciates the happy home, I have given to him & to myself where all is

love, peace, & rest, with an enjoyable table that increases my grateful prayers to Him, for such a haven of Christian comfort, and think Mr C, feel as I do; my health and strength, now requires care and quiet, that a Hotel cannot give, having only force of will & energy, that God's love still blesses me with; & Mrs C_n is untiring in her devotion & attention to me. I am so happy to hear what you write of the College, to succeed is followed by success, & do pray His loving care will ever foster it. —

Mr C returns your kind regards, with my

best wishes from very truly
Jo. L Newcomb.

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Editors' note

*Mr. C, in this sentence refers to Mr. Canfield, her New York attorney, who was handling the legal proceeding regarding the trust fund Warren Newcomb had established for Sophie with Solon Humphreys as sole trustee. In her May 27, 1898 letter to McConnell, she authorized him to secure all the property retained by Humphreys in trust "to the end that I may be placed in full possession and enjoyment as absolute owner thereof."