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DEAR MOTHER :--

YOUR LETTER FROM BASEL IS AT HAND. IN REPLY WILL SAY THAT I SHALL DO MY VERY BEST, AND I FEEL ASSURED THAT I SHALL BE ABLE TO PAY EVERYCENT THAT I HAVE OF YOUR MONEY, COMMENCING IN A SHORT TIME. I HAVE NO EXCUSES TO MAKE IN REGARD TO THE PAST. I CAN ONLY DO THE VERY BEST THAT I CAN FOR THE FUTURE. I SHALL GIVE ALL MY ATTENTION STRICTLY TO BUSINESS, AND I FEEL SURE THAT I CAN MAKE IT GO SO THAT THERE WILL BE A GOOD MARGIN IN IT FOR YOU. I KNOW THAT THINGS IN THE PAST HAVE NOT BEEN AS THEY SHOULD BE, BUT I WILL SAY THAT I AM COUNTING THE COST OF EVERYTHING THAT I DO MUCH MORE CLOSELY THAN I HAVE EVER DONE IN THE PAST, AND FEEL SURE THAT THE RESULT WILL BE MUCH BETTER THAN IT HAS EVER BEEN IN THE PAST. BUT I WILL SAY I NEVER WILL QUIT THIS BUSINESS TILL I HAVE IT SHAPE AS IT SHOULD BE, WITH EVERYTHING PAID UP THAT I AM OWING. I CAN SEE A REASONABLE PROSPECT OF DOING THIS, AND AM GETTING AROUND ME COUNCILORS THAT I CAN RELY UPON. I HAVE REFUSED ANY OFFICE IN THE S.S. WORK THIS YEAR, BUT FEEL NO HESITANCY IN DOING SO, FOR I CANNOT DO THE DUTIES THAT AN OFFICE IN THAT ASSOCIATION DEMANDS THE PRESENT YEAR. THE WORK WILL BE VERY HARD. BUT I WILL SAY THAT THE RECORD OF THE ASSOCIATION FOR THE PAST TWO YEARS IS SUCH AS I AM NOT ASHAMED OF EVEN IF I AM NOT A FINANCIER. I HAVE HAD THE REAL MANAGEMENT OF THE FUNDS FOR TWO YEARS, AND IN THAT TIME WE HAVE ISSUED A PAPER THAT HAS MORE THAN PAID ITS WAY, WHICH IS MORE THAN HAS BEEN DONE BY ANY OTHER PAPER STARTED BY OUR PEOPLE. WHEN I MAKE MY OWN BUSINESS SHOW AS WELL I WILL BE WILLING TO UNDERTAKE SOMETHING ELSE, BUT NOT UNTIL. EMMA HAS BEEN

All I can ask now is for you to wait a little time and see the results. I cannot do everything at once, but will move as fast as I can with safety.

HAVING A VERY BAD COLD FOR THREE WEEKS. I DO NOT KNOW HOW I WILL END, BUT HOPE THAT WE CAN BREAK IT BEFORE LONG. I

is over there will be substantial returns. I'll be glad to do that work before the coming season.

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