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My dear Fran:

Here is another complaining letter from your tenant, Mrs. Coombs. She does not appear to be grateful for the new floor, but wants new wall-paper. Someone ought to look after the insurance - i.e. notify the agt. of the Co., and collect from them the damage. I suppose Mr. Titcomb could do that. I never promised to put new paper on the hall. If you decide, however, to let her have it, I would raise her rent \$30. a year, even if it "raised her out." She now pays \$15. a month = \$180. per yr. Why on earth she can't have her vault emptied, is more than I can comprehend.

I wrote you a few days ago. Many thanks for the Transcript, which came last night. I don't buy many papers here. They cost 5 cts. each and contain only local gossip - of no earthly interest to me. I may, however, buy one tomorrow to send you as a sample. There is a nice little Ep's. church here. The clergyman boards at the hotel,

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and came over to speak to me in the dining room
the other day. He asked me to call on him! Sunday P.M.
we have a meeting of the Y. M. C. A., just formed here,
in the Mining School building. It promises to be quite
successful. Just now I am correcting proof of an article
written by Prof. W. for a R.R. guide — in the geology of this
part of the state. I had to change many of his sentences,
to make them clear, and was afraid he would think me
rather presumptuous, but he seems to be quite tickled at
the idea of having ^{me} ~~me~~ to fall back. Friday and yes-
terday we had the severest snow storm of the season, and
I suppose winter will not begin to break up for six weeks
more. Gpa Kirk was sorry to miss you in N.Y. He
has been very ill with neuralgia lately, and seemed to be very
blue when he wrote me. Hope you find the house
impress on acquaintance. How soon do you expect to
come in? You would better not keep that dress too long. It
may get out of fashion. With six months' work staring me
in the face, how can I get away from here, if Prof. W. wants
me to stay? Dr. Lane has made me promise to give
a talk before a club here — on the Maine woods. Will you
please tell Duvey to send me that box that came by Adams

Ex. for Cin., as was put by him with the other things in the storage room. It contains
the lantern slides made by Raymond, which I shall use for illustration of my remarks.

Give my kind regards to all inquiring friends, and write me soon. With a good night
kins, ever yours lovingly
L. L.