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2/25 1919.

Dear Will: - I was so glad to receive last night your & Elsie's letter of 1/25. It is the second from you & I am glad from what you say that you are not yet heard that "Kapaemihika" in. You must, of course, read my shameless letter with before this, and I hope other letters. It is so comforting to know you are getting stronger. That idea is justified with the farm packing which I feared would be a cold job. That Scott and the family are well & I suppose that you are thriving now more and more of Kama

It will probably be fine time in March. Don't go until the weather is so mild you can keep out of doors. I shall be anxious for you know to hear how things go there. I feel sure if you take it quietly, not trying to make anything, not going in unless you feel reasonably sure - it will be all right. Scott has a wise head. It is much more important that you all be happy and that the children are treated properly than that you get rich. Cut the idea of getting rich out. With you a fine thing if small and be happy. It's good of matter that affords the mind when the only real matter is in

on friends and in an abiding - living the
 good things of the world. I feel like the things
 for things are in such an awful large
 over time that they don't seem anything to
 do but - much. You exactly expressed it.
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 they are trying to pre-create the government.
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 of it. I feel confident that the thing may
 be carried through and as good a legacy
 as possible signed sealed & delivered - but there'll
 be a lot of unpursue before it is done and
 the really is hard for poor Russia. She
 has a deficit of budget of 18 billion francs or
 about 3 1/2 billion dollars. before
 the war she had the of only 1,000,000,000. She
 had 3 1/2 million of her population - she
 had 1/2 the criminal calculated distribution
 of the German one third of the rest of
 criminal section. Perhaps the most of it that
 she's run out spiritually & mentally after
 4 1/2 years she can't think or resist. Paris
 is the saddest thing in the world to me
 things must come for say they don't
 see any change. They were for out of the
 sloppily distinct in the reason. Now they
 begin to think in one back in time
 because the settlement drops. They think in
 and see their problem a appalling thing
 - load. They want this. But at some

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old minister of war
said that - yesterday

at the school where his by me
the whole class turned when
the U.S. was mentioned. 'all the
me men deplore this & are trying
it all day. The time of peace will
slot it. I am sure. In 2 weeks
the allies do appreciate Francis
Maitland. The trouble is they are do
tied up in all sort of business. It
seems as if everything was coming
before a crisis - but all these things
a sort of news - one half of the
beastly persons. & I am a
great deal of illness here. In fact
who was in this hotel is doing well
the influence of pneumonia & this
morning the doctors were looking &
consultation were & went up to

see how he was. They are not dis-
commod but - all my side. He
done a wonderful job time for
the children - a perfect library
& all the children for 4 1/2 years
and now this!

I see many people & know this
morning in the hotel a course of
Geyser's water is introduced. It
has an effect in clearing up
some kind of manufacturing
here. I am going into the hospital
next - the water is a R.C. cancer
house a warmer girl from Illinois
measures. I get my dinnered
on one way. Some of the friends
of them dying in a riot and
lots of things killed. Red jobs
& I feel a lot of them will
be ruined. Not at the same
time lots of them are taking

live a life man during the most my battle
 yrs. They are indubitably around the Peace
 Commission, run errands, handle
 baggage at every railroad station, act
 as policemen. All this for Americans
 of course. Just now the town is full
 of sight-seers. Temporarily busy since
 4 or 5 days to see Paris. I'm going

to get an epidemic of "pigeon" & drink
 non dogs & discontented boys out of this
 things as well as lots of real development
 & like me of the dogs for sandal-
 farm but had to subject me to a
 sea voyage.

Mr. Allen White &
 his boy are here in town. White is one
 of the delegates to Principis but didn't
 show up there. I think.

Well, in million a long letter man
 I ought to be trying to ease my head.
 I fear in not doing that my well-ll.
 is an awfully rattling place. I'm
 keeping well. Jimmy is emptying which
 seems risky. Much toil so easy. I
 expect to go into devastated region with me
 in 10 days but I'm not sure. The weather is
 better. I'm to you all and will be
 glad to see you all. Not call as I call
 that of Mar. 2nd.

From letter to William W. Tarbell - 2/25/1919 - Paris

You exactly expressed it when you said that the job of the Peace Conference was as big as creating the world. They are trying to re-create the governments of the world and they are having a bad time of it. I feel confident that the thing must be carried through and as good a League as possible signed, sealed and delivered, but there will be a lot of compromise before it is done and the waiting is hard for poor France. She has a budget of 18 billion francs or about three and a half billion dollars. Before the war she had all of only \$1,000,000,000. She's lost 3 1/2 million of her population. She's lost by the criminal calculated destruction of the Germans one third of her best industrial section. Perhaps the most of it that she's worn out spiritually and mentally after four and a half years she can't think or resist. Paris is the saddest thing in the world to me though most Americans say they don't see any change. They never go out of the shopping district is the reason. Now they begin to think we've gone back on them because the settlement drags. They think we don't see their problem or appreciate their load. They resent this. Out at dinner last night Painlevé the old minister of war said that yesterday at the school where his boy goes the whole class hissed when the United States was mentioned. All the wise ones deplore this and are trying to stop it. The terms of peace will stop it I am sure for I think the allies do appreciate France's position. The trouble is they are too tied up in all sorts of problems. It seems as if everything was coming before France, but all these things or most of them are part of the beastly problem.