

November 7, 1928

Mr. A. R. Godfrey
Spokane, Wash.

My dear Mr. Godfrey:

I hope you will pardon my delay in replying to your letter of October 18. It reached me when I was very busy and out of New York a good deal of the time. I have only just had leisure to write you.

I am glad to hear from you. Of course I remember your father very well. It scarcely seems possible to me that he can have a son twenty-four years old. It is a long time since I had heard anything of him.

His mother, your grandmother, died many years ago. My sister Sarah looked after her up to the end. We did not have your father's address at the time she passed away and I never knew whether he received the details of her last sickness or not. I am glad to know that you are taking care of him. It is a fine and a right thing to do and I am sure from the tone of your letter that you are doing it well.

And now of the information you ask, - the history of his side of your family. I am sorry that I am unable to help you. I never knew anything of the antecedents of your grandfather. As I understand it, he married your grandmother, my aunt Harriet, very soon after the Civil War. Where he married her I do not know, but I think it was in Erie County, Pa. They lived in Corry, Pa., and he is buried there.

If you will write to the Clerk of the County in Corry, I think you may find out the date of his birth, also whether there are any records there in regard to him; or, if not there, where you should inquire. I am sorry I am unable to give you any more information.

I have asked my sister who looked after Aunt Harriet in her last years, but she tells me she has no information.

I am glad you are so well placed, that you like your profession, and that your prospects are good. Success in a profession

depends largely upon the steadiness of one's purpose and the diligence of one's efforts. Of course underneath that the very foundation is uprightness of character. You may be sure that I wish you the very best of success. Also you may depend upon me, if I should ever hear anything more of the Godfrey family, to pass it on to you.

Sincerely yours