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Richmond, Ky.
Oct. 13th, 1913.

My dear Miss Blackwell.

I wonder if you have yet published in the Journal any notice of the death of Mrs.Lide Meriwether, the first president of the Tennessee Woman Suffrage Association? In case you have not, I am enclosing a little sketch of her in the suffrage edition of the Memphis Press, which came out at the Tri-State Fair, just a few days before her death; and I add a few lines from a letter to me from her daughter. Mrs.Mattie M.Betts, now the president of the Memphis Equal Suffrage Asso.

"You have not yet heard of the death of my dear mother last Saturday, September 27th, at my sister's in New York. The end came suddenly and peacefully, - a lesion in the brain, from which she died in three hours. My sister brought the body down and she was laid to rest beside my father, Sept. 30th. The whole town has shown its love for her in kindness and sympathy".

Very cordially yours,

189 N. Mill St.,

Lexington, Ky./ Apr. 18, 1914.

Miss Alice Stone Blackwell,

Boston, Mass.

My dear Miss Blackwell:

I am very much interested in U. S. Senate 3507 which is the Federal Suffrage Bill introduced by Senator Shafroth and in the House by Mr. French. I was to have made a speech on this subject at the Mississippi Valley Conference, if I had not been prevented from going by an attack of grippe. A part of my argument was that Congress regulated the time of voting for United States Congressmen and had appointed the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November; and has also abolished voting a general ticket which hadbeen accustomed in some states tince 1842. Now/ have learned that some persons doubt both of these facts. It has been told me that there is a new England state where Congressmen are not elected on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November. I am inclined to doubt the correctness of this information and if you can give me information about it I shall be verym much obliged.

The second point also seems to be questionable because in several states there are newspaper illusions to the election of Congres smen at large. But I am under the impression that this is not a departure from the law against the general ticket, but is a result of the re +apportinament to the sensus of 1910 in states which

E Afr. 18, 19 147 -2had an increase of congressmen and which have not yet re-districted the congressional districts of the state. Am I right in taking this as an explanation. Any information you can give me on these two points will be gratefully received. I am surprised that the suffragists in general are not laying greater stress on the possibility of gaining Federal suffrage by Congressional action, now that Congress seems tisposed to do something for the suffrage cause. Such a law as contemplated by Senate Bill 3507 would solve our difficulties in far less time than any U. S. Constitutional amendments. Hoping you are well and enjoying the coming of the spring, I am as always/ Very cordially yours,

COPY.

Miss Alice Stone Blackwell.

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My theme was wholely whimsical, - the limitations of my own sex when it touches the suffrage movement, and I must say that I feel this morning that I am my own best illustration of my theme.

My only hope is that if this sort of thing has ever happened to you, you will appreciate how powerless one feels to set the matter right.

May I have your permission to send a copy of this letter to anyone who has been treated to Miss Gordon's attack upon me?

Very sincerely yours,

Chairman Publicity Department.

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Christmas and New Year Greetings

from

ALICE STONE BLACKWELL



The present state of the world is so terrible that we can hardly have a merry Christmas, if we "remember those in bonds as bound with them." Let us live through the New Year in the spirit of Lucy Stone's dying words to her daughter, "Make the world better."

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Sympathy without works is like eyes without light.

—Helen Keller.

Give what you have. To someone it may be better than you dare to think.

-Longfellow.

Lift up the hymn once more in this sad Yuletide,

Lift up the hymn!

The night may be darker than any since Jesus died,

And as cold as dim;

But the dawn is breaking, and after the dawn, the day,

And they one and both

Are made to our need — the day for our work, and our play,

The night for our growth.

Lift we the carol on high as with new-blown breath

From the glimmering earth,

That all who were wailing of sorrow, of sin and of death

May sing with us of birth!



-Emily Pfeiffer.



A Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year

ALICE STONE BLACKWELL

Justice, simple justice, is what the world needs.—Lucy Stone.

Upon whatever fundamental scheme we perseveringly concentrate our powers, upon whatever main road of occupation we take life's journey, — art, politics, commerce, science, — if only we will take its upper fork as often as the road divides, then will that road itself, and not necessarily any cross-road, lead us to the noblest, truest plane of convictions, affections, aspirations.—George W. Cable.

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Miss Alice Stone Blackwell, 585 Boylston Street, Boston, Mass.

My dear Miss Blackwell:

I was astounded to learn last night that a private letter, distinctly not for publication, which I wrote to Miss Mary Marshall, editor of the Woman's Page of the WASHINGTON HERALD, referring to some suffrage material which had been sent her, was printed on October 23rd without my knowledge or permission. In order to print it she had to expunge the paragraphs which show that it was a private letter dealing with affairs in her department and not "a letter to the editor". I did not see it after it was published and neither did Miss Smith of our Congressional Committee, and it was only yesterday when the members of the National Board began to receive those letters from Miss Kate Gordon and Miss Ida Porter Boyer that I learned what use had been made of it.

My dealings with Miss Marshall had led me to assume that she was a suffragist, for she had certainly handled the material sent her in a very intelligent way, but I have since been advised by our Washington office that she has stated that she is an anti and will only use suffrage material when it suits her!

I cannot tell you how distressed I am that my jocose and exaggerated remarks have found their way into print. I would not would your feelings or those of anyone who knew and appreciated the unselfish devotion of Henry B. Blackwell to the suffrage movement. Dr. Shaw feels as badly about it as I do.

SUFFRAGE AMENDMENT ALLIANCE 112 WEST ADAMS STREET CHICAGO S. GRACE NICHOLES, SECRETARY CATHARINE WAUGH MCCULLOCH, CHAIRMAN MARION H. DRAKE, TREASURER February 7, 1917. Miss Alice Stone Blackwell, Dorchester, Boston, Massachusetts. My dear Miss Blackwell: I sent the Woman's Journal a hurried letter two days ago which I hoped might get into the next copy of the Journal. I tried to make it mild but you have little idea of the injury it is to our Suffrage Amendment to have people be able to say that Alice Stone Blackwell is opposed to the Illinois Suffrage Amendment, especially as I believe you would not be if you knew the facts and the legal situation. Of course, your editorial was written kindly, as you always write, and with no personal bitterness as has been shown in letters to Illinois women from other Hasterners. In your editorial, however, you refer to the opposition which the pro-ponents of other amendments are likely to exhibit against a Suffrage Amendment, because only one amendment may be submitted at a time. That has been the case in every session of the Legislature for many years back until this present session. No other amendment has been presented to the Legislature. The Suffrage Amendment is the only one. The only opposition it is meeting is from the Antis, if there are any, and Nrs. Trout's friends. The Tribune editorial quoted by you would seem to intimate that the Suffrage Amendment was in opposition to the Gonstitutional Convention proposition. That is not the fact. Both may be submitted by the same Legislature and be voted upon at the same time. It is not an easy thing to secure the submission of the Constitutional Convention proposition. It has been defeated in the Legislature for many years. There is a strong element opposed to it which is not an anti-reform element. Even temperance men and suffrage men, some of them, are opposed to the Convention proposition. Down state men and farmers are more opposed than are the city men. But notwithstanding this opposition, for some years I have been a member of the Constitutional Convention League and have given time and money for the purpose of the propaganda and have made speeches in many Illinois cities in its behalf. I was the only woman at the hearing who spoke for the Constitutional Convention. The Tribune editorial which says that the effort for a Suffrage Amendment is a way of defeating the Convention. did not even mention the fact that our Suffrage Amendment Alliance women were for the Convention. Not even the Chicago Tribune is authorised to promise that the uncertain Convention will give us Woman's Suffrage.

[Febr 7, 1917, SUFFRAGE AMENDMENT ALLIANCE 112 WEST ADAMS STREET CHICAGO S. GRACE NICHOLES, SECRETARY CATHARINE WAUGH MCCULLOCH, CHAIRMAN MARION H. DRAKE, TREASURER Miss Alice Stone Blackwell 40 700 If you will look carefully through the enclosed leaflet you will discover how long delayed will be the Convention even though it should be rushed as speedily as I have indicated on page 3. The Tribune itself has said that the Convention will probably not meet as early as therein indicated, probably not until 1921. That will bring the work on the finished Constitution as late as 1922. We who are officers of the Convention League had hoped that the various propositions would be submitted in separate amendments rather than to have the new Constitution submitted as a whole, thinking that thus each change might rest upon its own merits. The Convention members themselves will be the only ones who will decide this, but if they should so decide and submit even at a special election each proposition separately in 1922, and if we should have 43 different asendments as Ohio had, each separate amendment will have its own friends and enemies and will make up a large total vote. A majority of this sum total must be received by every separate amendment. It will be harder for the Suffragists in 1922 to secure a majority of the total vote with a possible 42 other rivals for majorities in the shape of other amendments than it will be in 1918 when no other amendment can be submitted and when there will be few officers to be elected. By the recent lower court decision, which it is expected our Supreme Court will approve, an amendment to the Constitution will only need to secure a majority of all the votes cost for members of the General Assembly, whereas the Constitutional Convention proposition and the finished Constitution, by another clause of our Constitution, must receive a majority of all the votes cast at the election. In your editorial you use the worde-"under the old Constitution". Everything that we do until 1922 will necessarily be under the old Constitution, and if our Amend-ment to the old Constitution can be submitted in 1918 and be carried we somen will be able then to vote for members of the Constitutional Convention in 1919 or 1920, and vote for the completed Constitution. I notice also that you say "most of the organized suffragists of Illinois decided" that the best way is by a Constitutional Convention. The fact is that no organization of Suffragists of which I am a member, or of which I am aware, has decided against a Suffrage Amendment. Then the Constitutional Convention proposition was presented all of us voted for it. and that vote of ours has been construed by Mrs. Trout and some others

I Feb 7, 1917 SUFFRAGE AMENDMENT ALLIANCE 112 WEST ADAMS STREET CHICAGO CATHARINE WAUGH MCCULLOCH, CHAIRMAN S. GRACE NICHOLES, SECRETARY FLORENCE BENNETT PETERSON, VICE CHAIRMAN MARION H. DRAKE, TREASURER Miss Alice Stone Blackwell 4034 as being against the Amendment. I notice also that you say this plan has the approval of Mrs. Catt. I do not understand how she feels able to know our situation sufficiently to advise the women to work for a Convention in this State. She is being quoted as so in Illinois and I have wondered whether it is by her authority. She must believe as you seem to that a Convention can be secured for the asking and that Suffrage is a foregone conclusion. The men urging the Convention are perfectly willing to use all the hard work of the women to get the Convention proposition pushed, just as years ago the sen made speeches before all our women's organizations urging their assistance in getting the legislature to submit to the people and carry an amendment to the Illinois Constitution allowing special legislation for a Chicago charter. The women did work hard for this amendment and then when the Chicago charter did meet they first objected that Woman's Suffrage might be unconstitutional and when assured by their law committee after a long hearing, that it would be constitutional, voted it down anyhow. They were ready enough to get our help but were not willing to give us our chance. I am fearful also of the effect on Congress when it is generally known that one of the greatest arguments for a Federal Amendment - "State legislatures will not submit Suffrage Amendment" - was only true in Illinois, because some Suffragists in Illinois and the National President urged the Legislature not to submit an Illinois Amendment. It will look as though we are playing fast and loose with Congress and it looks very peculiar in Illinois to real Suffrage men to find in Illinois Suffragists asking a Legislature to vote against a Suffrage Amendment. I am not writing this letter for publication but I do want you to know the facts and if you feel inclined at any other time to say anything about the Illinois Suffrage You w understand the legal situation better. I ought to say something about the practical situation from a political standpoint. Hever before has a Illinois Governor recommended a Woman's Suffrage Amendment to the Constitution. Never before has every party been with us. It may be that never again will we have such a back ground of women voters, 876,700 strong, to show that we can use the ballot. If you will run through the names of the women who are on our State Gentral Committee, staying there in spite of the greatest efforts of some women to keep them off, you will discover that we have some

[Feb 7, 1917, SUFFRAGE AMENDMENT ALLIANCE 112 WEST ADAMS STREET CHICAGO 84 CATHARINE WAUGH MCCULLOCH, CHAIRMAN S. GRACE NICHOLES, SECRETARY MARION H. DRAKE, TREASURER FLORENCE BENNETT PETERSON, VICE CHAIRMAN Miss Alice Stone Blackwell -4keenest, most level headed women in the State. Miss Vittum and Miss Drake rendered valiant service through the Republican party, and are the most highly regarded of any women on that side in politics. Mrs. Joanna E. Downes, Hiss Grace Richeles and Mrs. Mary Barnes were women of great influence on the Democratic side, and the fact that I had nearly a million votes, is not entirely to my discredit. If you and Mrs. Catt knew of the methods which are being used to defeat the Suffrage Amendment, personal attacks and misrepresentations, you would never approve of them I know. I will send Mrs. Gatt a copy of this letter, for I do not believe that she knows some of these things which I have outlined here. With kindest personal regards, Yours truly, OWN LO 選択で含

3 Monadnock St. Dorehester Mass. March 2, 1917. Dear Miss Celay: I am to have the pleasure of entertain ing you Monday night. Me are askring you to speak to us on the advance that woman suffrage has made in the South With kind regards to Mrs. Algeo, yours always affectionately, Alie Stone Blackwelli

45 Boutwell Avenue, Dorchester, Mass., September 5, 1917.

My dear Miss Clay; -

Please accept my hearty thanks for your contribution of twenty-five dollars toward extinguishing the debts of the Woman's Journal.

It has been impossible for me to acknowledge by personal letter the gifts that have come to me and the many friendly words that have accompanied them, but I wish to express to each giver my grateful appreciation of the help and goodwill.

Sincerely yours,

Alie Stone Blackwell.

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were not there but in Richmond. 337 hen I telegraphed the same message 33 to Richmond, & they told me you 33 had left there & they did not know \$33 had left there & they did not know \$33 your address. After I got home \$33 an avalanche of things descended \$33 an avalanche of things descended Dupon me, but I have been 3 3 till you that you were most 3 3 affectionally remembered at lelieage, in spite of the intellectual of the intellec Bam under doctors orders to lie 3 3 down for two hours down for two hours every day,

and it is terribly time wasting. 3 & chance to write to some friends To who will not mind a pencil.

After 5 days, return to MISS ALICE STONE BLACKWELL, 3 Monadnock Street, Uphams Corner Station, BOSTON, MASS.



Mist Laura belag I 189 St. Mill St Lexington Ken

3 Monadnock. St. Baston 25, Mass. May 31, 1926. Dear Miss Clay: Here is the letter from Sauruel May, the agent of the Antislavery Society, to my mother, in which there is something Measant about Kentucky, and also about your father Mrs. Boyer & 9 thought you might like to have it. The little note on the back is in my mothers hand writing, Jours always affectionately, Alice Stone Blackwell.

3 Monadurche St. Boston, Mass. June 9, 1934 Dearly-Belowd Miss Clay: The Combridge League of Women Voters is the most active one in Massachusetts and an example to all the rest. We have just elected a State President from it. I wrote to the atter day suggesting of our members who racies dry kind of accimals, to give ut one; and I menteried your "suffrage shote." Eenclosed is her answer, Mrs. Ida Parter Bayer and 9 still live together, and we always remember you with great respect and affection. Her grandson

gradualis to day prom the Newton High School, & the has gone to attend the graduation. She lectures on Courrent Events for the Nouvers Republican Club, where she is a great favorite, and draws bigger audiences than amphaly else. But, apart from This, ther business as a beturer has been " shot to prieces" by the dipresseoing since the women's clubs can no longer afford to May her. I am always seeing some their that I want to write to the frapers about, and I drop everything I write, & consequently am always behind with my work, & am always chasing it and never cataling up with it. And I live surrounded by falle of

disorderly papers which mount ever buglist & higher; but in illes, Bayers room everything it in purfect order and shell knows just where to fact to I put her hand one anything she wants, at any moundet. She sets me a pluining example, but I don't seem able to profit by it. The depression has greatly act down my income and thrown me nito formucial prople; that I am too busy to She continued to be a true-blue, ultra, dyed in the wool Republican. I continue to be a socialist, 4 about the only things we agree on are temperance, I workrants rights, & affection for yourself However, me agreet to Sliffer , & get on very well, An old causin of nine, Dr. Elyabeth Blackwell Adoptet daughter, lives with me.

the is &6, almost blind & very deaf but dierful & bright unt her mind, & full of reducin is censes. The Care of their is a good part of my present Job in life. I do hope that you keep well. I am sure you keep full of interest in life! Every naw and then I receive Some document from Mrs. Bunet which shows that she is still seeking the public good. Place remember me to ler. Far will be interested in the action taken by the Ford of Forum. I could not feel there I deserved it, but of course it gave me great pleasure your old friends affectionately Alie Stone Blackwell.

3 Monadnock St. Uphanis Corner Boston, Mass. March 13, 1935. Dear Mis Clay: Low have my sincere sympathy in the loss of your sister. I have read your bautiful tribute to her with interest and emotion. I remember vivialy her keindness and hospitalety when I was her quest, years algo. Harriet Beecher Stowe, in her later years, wrote to our friend, commenting upon the death of another, "We have come into the land of leave-takings! The old freinds are going, one by one. there will be much good company upon the other side! A friend has lettly sent me a verse that strend me, and g pass it on to you:

"Though the circling flight of Time Parted still and severed more and more, Let the "Farewells" always lie belind And the "Welevures" always lie before. I asleed Mrs. Boyer if I sleveld seed a message from hur, and Hu answered, "Oh, yet, the kindest possible." Alse loves you dearly, and so do I. Yours with sincere sympathy, Alèce Hour Blackewill. there will be wished god confrong the friend less letter, sent

29 Wendell St. Cambridge, Mass. Dec. 5, 1936 Dear Miss Celay: This comes to you with love from Ida Porter Boyer and from me Mrs. Bøyer sarge theat you are " a statesman"; and that the considers you much more of one than Mrs. Ceatt! I auxwered that you were a saint, which is even better. Mrs. Boyer thuiles that Mrs. Simpson, King Edwards frund, is a relative of yours.
I wonder how you feel about that! I have lost my dear

old cousin, who made her home with me for so many years, - she was nearly 90 - and I have moved to learnbridge to be mar my surviving cousing. I have had an ellies - due to "exhaustron and a falling bridgey" the doctor said; and I sleem to be getting better- have garried three frounds; but are still under doctor's orders to keep very quiet. Mrs. Boyer is as saucy as ever-møre sto, if frosseble. Ne disagree about almost everything, but agree in loving you! Plase excuse pencil! I leave overtaxed my eyes, and have to do most of my writing in this way yours







A Merry Christmas A Happy New Year

ALICE STONE BLACKWELL

THE BLUE SKY is greater than all the clouds in it, and it lasts longer. —Jean Paul Richter.

Although the world is full of suffering, it is full of the overcoming of it. —Helen Keller.

We ourselves must Pilgrims be,

Launch our Mayflower, and steer boldly through the desperate winter sea,

Nor attempt the Future's portal with the Past's blood-rusted key.

-James Russell Lowell.

It makes no difference whether we be sixty, seventy or eighty, life still holds new interests, new possibilities. The real secret lies in being ready to adapt one's self to new conditions as they arise, to engage in new activities, to use the wisdom that the years have brought, not to simulate a superficial youthfulness, but to form a sympathetic bond with youth.

-Maud Nathan.



With much love from Hue stone Blackwell and Ida Porter-Bagur.

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A HAPPY EASTER

ALICE STONE BLACKWELL

Our life is short, and yet we must strive to make it clean and perfect, by bringing it into the sunlight of wisdom and leaving it as our homage to the future. Through the unhurried accomplishment of daily tasks, through the acceptance of joy and sorrow as part of our great destiny, through untiring struggle, let us fearlessly rid ourselves of all that obscures reality from us.

—Tagore.

If you care for your own children, you must take an interest in all; for your children must go on living in the world made by all children.

—Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt.

That man or race is on the downward path
Whose fibre grows too soft for honest wrath.

—James Russell Lowell.

Liberty is always dangerous, but it is the safest thing we have.

-Harry Emerson Fosdick.

With much love from Alice How Blackwell and Ina Porter-Boyer,



A HAPPY EASTER

ALICE STONE BLACKWELL

Look deep enough into any darkness and you will find a star.

Rose and gold on the hills

To greet the blue of the sky—

And we know that a sunset rolls

To the land of mystery.

But what is the light on the hills

That is cast by the setting sun,

To the glory that floods and thrills

When a beautiful life is done? . . .

Only a part is said

Of the reverent love we bear:
But we'll cherish the flame you fed,
And kindle our torches there.

-Frederick Lucian Hosmer.

Our fathers to their graves have gone; Their strife is past—their triumph won; But sterner trials wait the race Which rises in their honored place—A moral warfare with the crime And folly of an evil time.

-John Greenleaf Whittier.

With much low from Alice Stone Black well and Ida Porter-Boyer.

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With Best Easter Wishes

Alice Stone Blackwell.

However dark the troubled year, Bright Easter brings a breath of cheer. The lilies' silver trumpets say, "Arise, arise!" on Easter Day.

If instead of a gem, or even a flower, we could implant a lovely thought in the heart of a friend, that would be giving as the angels give.

-George MacDonald.

A minority which is ignorant, selfish, and cruel can drag a nation down to its doom; a minority which is intelligent, public-spirited, and self-sacrificing may lift a nation to the stars.

-Carrie Chapman Catt.

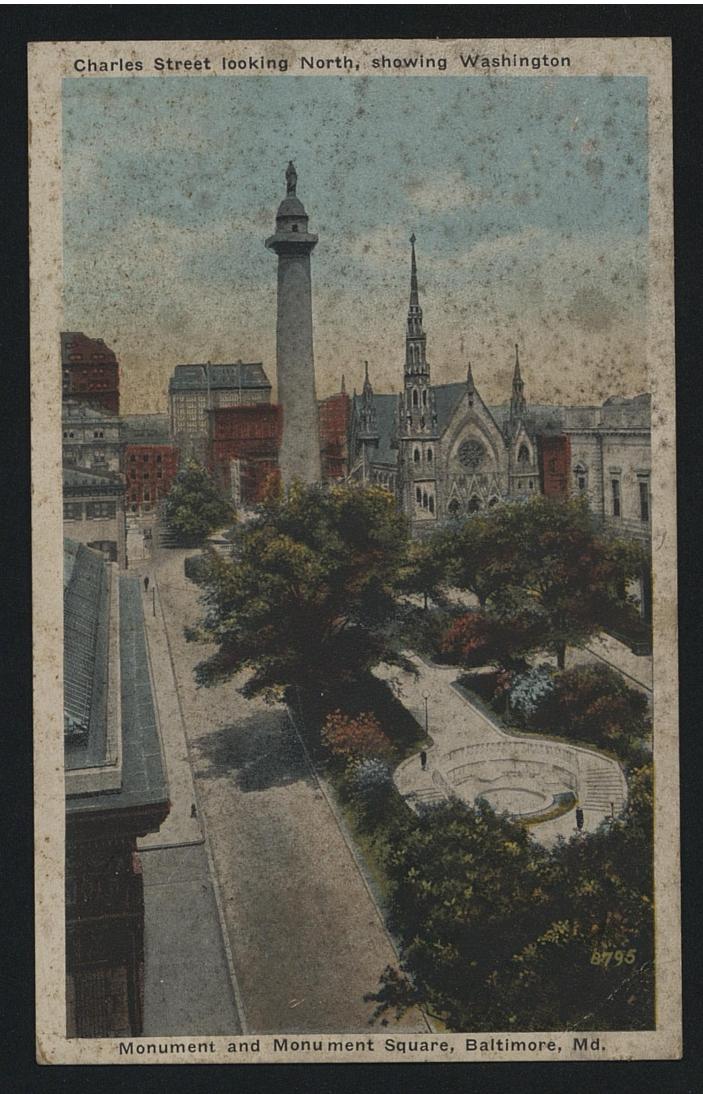
Every day brings a ship,
Every ship brings a word;
Well for those who have no fear,
Looking seaward well assured
That the word the vessel brings
Is the word they wish to hear.

-Ralph Waldo Emerson.

With much love from Abie Home Blackwell and Ida Porter-Boyers







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3 Monaduock St. Boston 25-Mars. April 13, 1922. Dear Miss Clay: As soon as I got your good letter, which felled my heart with joy, I began one to you, but it got lost in my chowder of disorderly papers. I was delighted to know that you were still my friend. I had ceased to har from you about the terms that that difference of opinion arose, and feared

it meant that you did not E want to have any thing more took the contrary view. It was a great relief to know that this was a mistake, for I do love you heartily you are one of the women who are like a solid rock of goodness and integrity and you make me better every time I think of you.

I am swamped & over whilmed with more than I can do, Ao I send only this breef time line ream, but mean to write at more length. Mrs. Bayer wants to send her love her "warmest love," she said; &



