

Technology Chambers,  
Boston, Mass.

Dear Papa,

Received you note of Thursday about the boxes and will try to give you as much information on the subject as I can although I think that I told you about all I knew the last time I wrote. I cant [sic] make out from what you say which one of the boxes it was that was found as am not quite sure which of my books I took to Newport last summer, although I rather imagine it was the one that I left there at the time of our graduation; the only things that I have thought of that were in there besides by drawing instruments and Academy books were a book full of blue prints of all the photographs that I have taken for five or six years and the Lucky Bags for the years that I was at the Academy neither of these of course could be replaced. I am certainly very much obliged to you for the trouble that you much have taken to find them for I know how hard it is to get anyone to do anything in that part of the Country, when what is left of them is found if you will either send them here COD or let me know the amout [sic] of express and freight I will be very much obliged.

By this time we have gotted [sic] pretty well settled down in work and none of [sic] find much spare time hanging on our hands we go down to the Yard one afternoon each week to work in the shops and to the Fore River works every other week to look over their plant and rest of the time they seem to be able to keep us pretty buisy [sic] right here, it was rather funny some of the rulings of the Department making us get our own drawing instruments which they had never done before and then allowing us the use of a typewriter and some other things what we didn't absolutely need but I believe the principle was that anything that we could use temporarily and then turn in again would be furnished by the Department but such things as instruments which each person needed for himself it was up to us to furnish so I'm making the best of the typewriter, now that I have gotten pretty well used to it I can write the same amount in half the time that I could with a pen and of course is has the advantage that the more you write the better you get at it, the typewriter that I have generally used before was the Underwood but we have Remington now and after I have gotten used to it like better although at first it is a disadvantage not being able to see what you are writing but you soon get over that and even now I hardly ever look at what I've written.

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We are doing a good deal of laboritory [sic] work now and drawing which has some advantages that it doesn't have to be prepared outside but they make up for it pretty well in some of the things that they do give us work to prepare in especially math and Spanish.

Had quite a long letter from Will a couple of days ago, believe he expect [sic] to run on to New York for a couple of days at the first of November, but he will hardly get as far north or at least out of the way as this.

Miss Wainwrights [sic] engagement and wedding was certainly of the quick order wasn't it, [sic] I just got cards to Hannah Randalls [sic] and wish that I could be there but certainly is an epidemic of people getting married and engaged these days although suppose it just seems that way because most of the people that I know seem to be the ones that are doing it.

We are beginning to run into some typical Boston winds and nasty weather, on Friday managed to pick up a pretty good cold at Fore River watching an inclining experiment that we had already seen so have been spending today in the house as there was nothing especial to do anywhere.

I have to write a letter to Aunt Lena so guess I'll stop now.

Aff.

Sid.

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