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[Letterhead: All Souls Church]

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My dear Miss Mary,

You may have some idea of how busy I have been when I say that this is the first moment I have had to take a pen in my hand. My mail received Saturday morning was not opened till last night. When I arrived Thurs. at 2 p.m. I found I had to dress & go to a dinner party that evening, & from that moment it has been one steady "go". The reception was a great success, 500 people in attendance. By the time I had shaken hands & said something nice to each I was pretty well used up. The weather has been quite warm but it is cooler this morning.

The next morning after the reception we went all thro' one of the big furniture factories involving a walk of several miles. That afternoon we rode 50 miles in an automobile. That night we were entertained at a Country Club dinner, reaching home at midnight. Sunday morning we went to church and heard as fine a sermon as I have ever listened to.

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Mrs. Sewall was there & said she endorsed every word of it. We went to dinner at the Wright's, & I had a long talk with Mrs. Sewall.

Then I rushed home & changed my dress & we dined with my brother at this hotel at 7 p.m. He left at 11 for Chicago.

This morning The Sun article is facing me, & this is Winifred's day "at home" & most of the church people intend to call on me. Tonight a cantata is to be given at the church, for which they have been rehearsing for weeks,

There is a dinner or luncheon for every day this week in spite of all I have said & I must keep dressed every minute. It is all very pleasant but I can neither rest nor work so I shall probably go to Rochester by Monday, but I cannot say positively.

George & Winnifred have so nice a circle of friends as it would be possible to have & they are very pleasantly situated in every way. Everybody is enthusiastic about them & their work. Grand Rapids is a beautiful place.

All my mail has been received in good order & I am very much obliged to you.

I hope Miss Anthony is home safe & well. Everybody asks about her. The Kitcheners were at church yesterday.

I must get to my work. I had no idea you were going into such extensive house cleaning.

All send love,

Yours truly,  
Ida Husted Harper