

Chicago

Aug 19th 1893

Dear Father & Mother

I received your welcomed letter last week which gave me pleasure to hear that ye are all enjoying good health. I am very sorry for not writing sooner for I might know ye would be uneasy about me. I intended writing soon but in order to relieve ye I will only write a short note at present. Ye need not be uneasy about me for I am better in health than I ever was in my life ever since I wrote last, thank God. Also all my cousins & friends are well. Delia come from Louisville yesterday eve to see the World's Fair. Myself and Winnie are going to see her tomorrow. I heard Patt is gone to New York. He has bought a home in a small town outside this city so I did not see him lately. He could get nothing to do here. There is thousands of men idle here for the last few months. Not alone is it bad here but all over the country ever since the presidential election but it won't last long.

I need not tell you anything about the fair. I presume you read all about it in the papers. We get all the villages representing foreign nations. Also the Irish village with dairy maids from Ireland. I wish you could see it. It would be an education all your life. I cannot express how happy I was to hear that Father & Mother got their pictures taken which I will expect soon for I long to get the sight of their loving faces once more. They might think I have forgotten them but I never shall.

Brother Michael, I hope you will write me a long letter and let me know all accounts. As I need not mention to you I only wish I had seen ye all once again. Brother you mentioned once for I to take care of my money. You need not be uneasy that I am foolish. I know what it is to work hard. As I am writing to Honour I will conclude in sending my fond love & best wishes to all friends & neighbours.

From your affectionate son

Thomas McHugh

To John McHugh address before

Goodbye. Write soon.

I did not hear from brothers yet.

Transcribed by Margaret Marlow with some punctuation, spelling and grammar adjustments.

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