

New York May 17th
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Dear Father & Mother
It is with pleasure
I write this note hoping
to find ye all in good
health as I am myself
Thank God. I arrived
Wednesday at 12 O'clock
we had a very pleasant
voyage all the girls that
were with me arrived
safely also you can

tell any of their friends
you see that they were in
good health leaving me
for I ^{thought} they did not have
time to write since they
left home I am stopping
with Mary & Charles
for a few days I will
leave tomorrow for
Chicago I assure I met
a friend when I met
her she is a fine woman
also her husband is
a perfect gentleman
she was fortunate
to meet with such a
nice good fellow they
have a grand home

I am enjoying myself
immensely I am going
around seeing some of
the neighbours I will
have a contented mind
now for seeing all my
friends & relations ~~I hope~~
I hope Brother you will
not be lonely as also all
of you I could not help
crying when I parted
with all of you that
morning I thought I
would not be so lonely
But It is hard to part
with such nice friends
& with parents which
I love I presume you

might hear some stories
about me but don't pay
no attention as I know
what I am doing of
course I had to enjoy
myself the best I could
and I did so. now I hope
you will remember
me to all the friends
& well wishers I am
very thankful to all
for the grand reception
they have given me
so I will now close
Mary & Charles send
her love to all Good Bye

I remain
your affectionate
son Thos. M. Hugh
To John M. Hugh
Be sure & write soon.