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My dear Fran:

The day I left Antonagon Mr. James Mercer told me his wife intended to drive out into the country to get some double arbutus, and he kindly volunteered to send you some for me. If, therefore, you hear of a box at the American Ex. office for you, have it delivered immediately. Many people deny that there is such a thing as double arbutus, and if it is a stranger in C., you might send a few to Prof. Goodale or any other botanist you may know. A line of acknowl. to Mr. Mercer would be much appreciated by that gentleman who is soon to be a grandfather, I believe. Don't mention that fact to him, however.

I reached here yesterday P.M. and soon found my party - all settled at the hotel. To-day we went down an awfully dirty, dirty, dirty mine, but had a fine time crawling thro' some narrow passages, where the timbering is slowly being crushed to pieces by the great weight above it. To-morrow we visit the Cleveland Mine, said to be the best laid out in this neighborhood. In the P.M. I may run down to Marquette to buy John some camp utensils. Those guide-books have finally been delivered, and paid for. Thanks for your offer to swear at the brider. I have no doubt it would still do him good, but you would be out of breath, I am afraid, before you had reached his sanctum, and could not put vim enough into your denunciation. I shall probably return to



H. on Thursday, and soon after that take a run down  
to Keweenaw Point. Wish you could go with me. Next  
year perhaps the road wont be so jolly. Shall try to write  
Grandpa a letter pretty soon. Have not been able to learn  
anything definite about Wisconsin iron lands near Mich.  
border. No developments seem to be making there.

Well, Meevie, take good care of your self  
and with love for you all, believe me ever yours  
Lu.