

Newport R.I. N.H.
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My dear Wife

This is Sunday Ev
and I will write you a short letter
I have just come from the tea table
and feel in a better mood than before
I went for I was awful hungry having
been pretty busy nearly all day - you
will perhaps wonder that I should be busy
all day Sunday, but such is the case for
telling inspections into account it is about
the busiest days we have these days -
I presume though were I at home I would
consider that four to days work was very
easy. The work I have to do here is not
much like what I ever had to perform
at home. There is much more responsibility
and not quite as much real manual labor.
I have heard nothing from you since I last
wrote in fact it has been but two or three
days since I wrote, now don't you think I
am pretty good and don't I write pretty often
and keep you pretty well posted? You won't see
me commence many more letters with "No News"
for you have made me ashamed of that style -
I have been expecting to hear from Carrie
but I am afraid she forgets me with her
plays to occupy her mind. I have to look
over my photo often and assure you it affords
me much pleasure. Well R - think Carrie
is a smart my says she looks as keen as a brain,
I hope she will not be backward in her learning