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My dear Father,

Very many
thanks for your letter
which reached me
yesterday - I have
received too a long letter
from Mother, for which
please express my
grateful acknowledgments,
until I can answer it
as it merits.

At present I am awaiting

2/ news from abroad,
before deciding on any
definite course of action,
& am in hopes that a
week or two more may
make decision possible.

I thank you for kindly
offers of assistance. My
own resources as you
know are very limited,
& if necessity arises I
shall not fail to avail
myself of your kind
offer of help. Money
I fear cannot buy back
the position & friends, - the

health and happiness,
which I have weakly &
foolishly given up. Had
I been a little more firm
& obstinate I would not
now be crying over spilt
milk. I must try to make
a new start in life some-
how, but it will be terribly
up hill work & at present I
hardly know how to begin -

I have been very much
pleased to learn the good
news you & Mother have
to tell. Eva I have already
congratulated. I sincerely

trust that her expectations
& yours may be more than
realized. I am very glad
too to hear that William's
faithful & long services have
been appreciated & sub-
stantially recognized - Re-
member me to him & to Florence
& express my congratulations

Pardon this mere scrap of
a note, written to catch the
outgoing mail, & believe
me always,

Your affectionate Son,
Franklin.