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My dear Mr. Bealey - To  
begin when you and I left  
off - too bad he didn't  
have a Lincoln sermon! - The  
atmosphere of the Cathedral  
is always fine, simple - and  
substantial though, - I  
had circulated to go rid-  
ing that afternoon - and  
thought of you taking  
the air at the same time,  
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kind of vehicle and at  
a different rate - of speed  
I suppose anyway,

it was a perfect day and  
we have had many of them  
since. Yesterday afternoon  
(likewise a Sunday, Miss  
Stowe and I took the 3.15  
boat to Kenton Key and returned  
on the 6.47 - A great crowd,  
but a good natured and orderly  
one, and all this it was not  
the way Cotton Mather would  
have spent the Sabbath, it was  
quite a the beach for the most part.

Extra boats were put on  
May 30 <sup>45</sup>/<sub>7</sub> and the Steamer  
are running to Plymouth  
and Princeslowen. Both  
fine day trips I hear.

Nahant, Bass Pond are  
also attractive - here had  
a dandy fish dinner

There, several years ago,  
the memory of which still stays  
by me - We were -  
bit early in our pleasure  
seeking - but Nahant  
was a mighty good trip.  
all right. As for remi-

missing & I never prom-  
ised to, you know - One  
of my strong points is  
keeping a secret; I  
saw Joan Sawyer & her Pencil  
Garden - at the Schubert  
Friday night - She ran  
a garden furniture in  
NY and enjoyed consider-  
able fame - I have  
never really seen the  
modern domes, Maxfield  
Parry, Aeroplane, etc.  
etc done and so was  
interested - She was very

graceful and refined.  
But I must say I  
don't think those dances  
are adapted to general  
ball room practice. There  
was a mere handful of  
spectators - nothing  
brilliant and extreme enough  
I suppose. Good luck  
to you with your papers.  
Enjoyed our little walk  
and rail together  
much - and those  
steamed slams! Bye-

She decided to have some  
more at the earliest oppor-  
tunity.

I have been a hour  
all the afternoon trying to  
match a peculiar shade of  
pink. If you like shopping,  
you would have revelled in it -  
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until I ran upon a clerk in  
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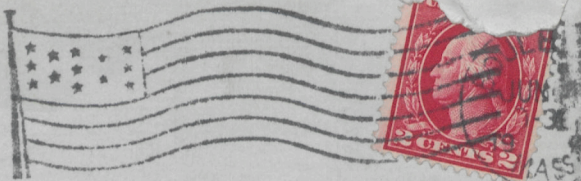
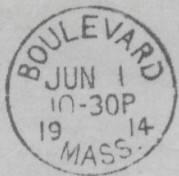
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welcome find. I wonder  
if Hovey knows they  
have him. Meyer Jones  
and Shepherd have filed  
notice of their intention to  
close all day Sat.  
during July & August,

It is humane of them &  
Especially, praise worthy!  
As some of the <sup>old</sup> stores are  
not going to do so. I  
think that Industrial  
Commission is a great  
thing - shall be anxious  
to hear all about it. I  
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& canoeing in white fl  
rel - but - I'll bet you'll  
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My dear Mr. Blakey – To begin where you and I left off – too bad we didn't have a livelier sermon! – The atmosphere of the cathedral is always fine simple and substantial though – I had an invitation to go riding that afternoon and thought of you taking the air at the same time, although in a different kind of vehicle and at a different rate – of speed I suppose. Anyway,

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it was a perfect day and we have had many of them since. Yesterday afternoon (likewise a Sunday) Miss Stowe and I took the 3:15 boat to Nantucket and returned on the 6:47 – a great crowd, but a good natured and orderly one, and earlier it was not the way Celia [Marleen?] herself had spent the Sabbath, it was quiet on the beach for the most part.

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I never promised to, you know. One of my strong points is keeping a secret; I saw Joan Sawyer and her [illegible] garden – at the Shubert Friday night. She ran a garden for dancing in NY and enjoyed considerable fame. I [illegible] have never really seen the modern dances [illegible] Tango, Aeroplane waltz etc done and so was interested. She was very

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graceful and refined but I must say I don't think more dances are adapted to general ball room practice. There was a mere handful of spectators – nothing bizarre and extreme enough I suppose. Good luck to you with your papers. Enjoyed our little talk and visit together much and those steamed clams!

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I've decided to have some more at the earliest opportunity. I have been in town all the afternoon trying to match a peculiar shade of pink. If you like shopping, you would have reveled in it. I only got crosser and crosser until I came upon a clerk in [Hosey's?] – a man [too much?] with

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It is humane of them - especially, praise worthy as some of the other stores are not going to do so. I think that Industrial Commission is a great thing – I shall be anxious to hear all about it. Won't be quite like fishing and canoeing in White Plains but I'll bet you'll get a lot out of it and no one knows what it may lead to – and after all – Romance as the vision of the possibilities of things is not such a bad definition.

Truly yours,  
Jane Perkins