

Tuesday.

Dear Father,

The enclosed does not appear to me of any special interest beyond the reference to the letter in "Chronicle" which might possibly be worth reading. The fact of a river choking at its narrowest point is not specially new; and the references to Dutch dykes and the Thames embankment are quite irrelevant. The Thames is a tidal river + the embankment had no reference to flooding but to the reclamation of land. It is the usual style of persons who write on subjects they know nothing of.

You were very kind to call  
to let us know of Mr Van Horn's  
letter. It is certainly encouraging  
and I take it as such.

With love from us both,  
Your affectionate son,

William.