

Thursday April 19th
1900.

My dear Garry—

Mr. Vauhan called yesterday & I had a long talk with him about investments!! He said he had carefully considered your advice to give me nothing first, for safety & prospect of steady return, "Commercial Cable Preferential Stock". I hope this is the right word as he laid emphasis on it as to be preferred for

per a permanent investment.

This, he thought, there will be an advantage in applying per immediately, before the 1st May, as probably it will rise a point above this time. So I have accepted his offer to apply per same. H. has also much confidence in the stock of "Electric railway of the Twin-Cities." Most of the management & stock of wh is in the hands of reliable wealthy business men in Minneapolis & the governing board of the College all wise lay-amounts to be invested

in it. I wish he thought the ans-
 telegraph Company was gone as it
 is backed by the Commercial Cable
 Co., but possibly may be more
 fluctuating than the two first named.
 This that I decided is owing to
 the amount of your father's insurance
 & a little that has accumulated
 in the Savings Bank. I shall be
 glad if you will advise what
 to do with City Bank money that
 lapses at 1st May.

Mr. V. told me your news in
 regard to Bernice's sailing.

I have met you he will receive
 \$3000. & that Sir W. C. Me 10^o
 voluntary gift to B. of \$500. was given
 because it did not array us this
 year to increase ^{the salaries} of other Professors
 & it was the only way to forestall
 the permanent increase without
 creating jealousies. We are all
 well - sorry Clarence went on
 or can't take advantage of Mary's
 offer to go with her for a week's change
 With all love from

Mathis.

Mr. V. Davis Cam; Cable Hill July 4 3/4 90