

April 20, 1940.

Mr. Wm. H. Cowles,
Spokane, Washington:-

Dear Mr. Cowles:-

Your letters and the several packages have all arrived safely. I had to go to Albuquerque last week on work for Mrs. Simms' School, which is the reason for this delay in acknowledging their arrival.

I am making a dummy in which I am putting a complete set of proofs to-gether with the captions which I will send to you just as soon as I have it ready. Some of the negatives you sent me will do very well, others are not very good and I am sure that I can improve their printing quality. Also your packages must have crossed the one I sent you with the proofs I had not yet sent. I apologize for the delay in sending them, but I was out of proof paper and had to wait for a new shipment. In the last lot I sent you were the proofs of your mother, and the copy of the painting of your mother and grand-mother.

I am proceeding with negatives of which I am absolutely certain, and will have the dummy ready long before I arrive ~~anythatanyof~~ which I am ~~absolutely~~ sure or where there is a choice of two.

In a few days I will have everything lined up and can write you in full detail, as well as send you the dummy.

The paper has arrived from New York and the slate is clear for work, which I hope will proceed rapidly.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,