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Dear Laura:

How good to hear from you and with such promising possibilities - I'm sure the tide is turning! Ansel is up here trying to get some pictures of the snow for Eastman Kodak. He's not had much luck as his timing has been off - arrives after a storm when the sun has melted the snow off the trees, leaving things looking semi-nude.

Virginia and I were planning to come that way this month but the weather has been so unpromising that we are now planning to leave early the first week of April. But, I'm afraid we won&t be able to make it to Santa Fe this year. Didn't you mention last fall there was a chance that you'd be coming out this way with Bieber?

Ansel and Virginia have been occupied with the house going up in Carmel. It's supposed to be done by June. Ansel is going to Aspen in July some time, so perhaps he'll be coming down that way.

I'm glad that Bill Webb got together with you; he's a fine person. Have you seen the Vroman book - it is a handsome job. I'm in hopes that they can reprint some of Ansel's out of print books.

We've been having a grand winter here - lots of snow, and then more. This spring and summer should be fantastic with the amount of snow in the high country, the waterfalls will be something to behold.

It's been along, hard, and dull winter here and I'm even more anxious than ever to get to the southwest for a change. Sorry we won't get to Santa Fe but probably the year following.

How's Betsy? Our warmest regards,

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Q.S. Flattered That you still use the phatoes!