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Mr. John V. N. Dorr  
Westport, Connecticut

My dear Mr. Dorr:

There simply aren't words to tell you how much I enjoyed the day with you and Mrs. Dorr. The memory of it will linger long, and I hope there may be others too.

It was impossible for me to go to the office, although I did call Mr. Carr and explain to him. I found I was going to have to return a day earlier than I had planned and had many commitments. Because of the need for someone to take calls it seemed best for me to go to the hotel as I had planned, although I did so reluctantly. I had looked only at the pictures on the walls when I was there on Friday night. Had I gone back to 30 East 37th Street, as you so kindly suggested, I would certainly have gone through that intriguing looking pile on the floor. I must admit I felt a little strange not knowing anyone when I arrived. I spent a good deal of time getting acquainted with my host through the bronze and the oil, both of which I enjoyed greatly but not nearly so much as John Dorr in the flesh.

If your granddaughter and her sons and Mr. Troy should go west in August, won't you urge them to stop in Lawrence? I will be away a few days, but two of them in Topeka, both conferences which I cannot cut, but I do hope they will be going through at a time when they could stop at 1108 Ohio Street, where we would give them a warm welcome.

I think it would be wise for you to send a copy of "Mother and Child" to Mrs. Eva Grant, National Congress of Parents and Teachers, 700 North Rush Street, Chicago. She is the very brilliant editor of the NATIONAL PARENT-TEACHER magazine and also does occasional reviews for it. Rather late in life she presented her husband last year with a very beautiful baby boy and so will have even more than her usual interest in the book. Since there are  $9\frac{1}{2}$  million members in the National Congress, a review by Mrs. Grant would be worth something. Since I have been until recently an associate editor of the magazine, I think it might be wise for you to send her a personal letter and say that I suggested you send the book to her, knowing her deep interest in children and in all that is beautiful. Do what you think best about this.

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I am as you know including a copy in an exhibit I am sending out in the state.

I hope very much to see you both again and assure you of a warm welcome should your travels ever take you this way.

Cordially,

Run Gagliardo

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