

Aug. 17/56

Dear Jimmy -

Thanks for your note of Aug. 14. Am happy your father continues to improve. I know how difficult the slow progress must be for him, as it is preoccupying to you all. Not having had real sickness during so long a life, until recently, makes it harder to take all around.

He really has been miserable since we returned but the colic and nervousness seem better the last few days. He put up a good front as Marion is always so upset when he is not well. I do feel I am getting better now.

We go to Curranville this afternoon but only taking Grace Katz (Sam is in New York for a few days). I feel better in Curranville than here for the altitude seems to be getting me. The forest

time - but I think that is because
 I'm a bit weak.

About J.E.M. will write you next
 week. Things are certainly better there
 since the last changes in the financial
 structure but I will get the last I can
 and write you towards the end of next
 week.

I feel pretty sure now that our rate
 question will be settled early in September
 but have adequately I am not yet
 certain. At the best our cash position
 will be difficult for months as we have
 had labor & fuel & other costs for months
 that have not been compensated.

Thanks for your letter & love to you &
 Jane, and all the family Truly
 Yours