Dear Mr. Ware:

I have just had a telegram from Washington which means that I have a government position for the summer, so I cannot join you as I had inwardly hoped would be possible. I feel however that I cannot afford to ignore such an opportunity, as it will mean that there will be some income rather than a continual outgo as in all previous summers for many years. This is the matter that has made me hold off in regard to the proposed Gaspe trip some time ago, as I knew several months ago that there was a possibility of something of this sort for the summer. I have only just learned of the fact however. I have been inwardly (secretly) hoping for some time that the thing would not (from the point of view of real pleasure) develop, as I know I would have a better time with you and Churchill · than now seems likely. Moreover I shall not have the cool weather of Maine and northward, as I expect to be at various places between here and Virginia most of the sum er. I dread the hot weather that I expect to encounter.

I wish you a very pleasant and profitable summer. I shall be much interested in your summer plans, feeling that your good times are what I might be employing have been enjoying under other circumstances. I hope you will not hesitate to ask any and all questions about Maine that you think I may be able to answer for your benefit.

Cordially,



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