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My dear Robert.

My first letter in America was written to you, and now my last one shallbe to you also. It must be a very hurried one, I fear, as we have to be on board our steamer by noon, and I have many things to do first. All the time I have been thinking how delightful it would have been if you were coming with us, as you would have been if things had gone differently on that Californian expedition. But I suppose it will be all right somehow. Meantime I do very much want you, dear boy, to make up your mind once for all that you will not lose any more chances, but will work away really hard with your mother, so that when I return there will be an enormous improvement to chronicle. As you grow older, you will of course see more clearly what the work is, and what your own real interests are, so that you will be less likely to sacrifice the opportunity of a lifetime for a little temporary gratification. If you will make real efforts to become what your mother and Mrs. Davis wish you to be, there is still a noble future beforeyou, though of course it will not be so easy this time as it would have been if you had come with me now. Never mind, it is no use our grieveng over what is past; we must only make up our minds to do better in the future. Remember that I shall always love you and often be thinking of you, and if you can only learn to be entirely unselfish we may do well yet. I shall write to you now and then, and I hope you will sometimes write to me. Perhaps, too, affairs might shape themselves so that you could come over on a visit to me next spring, and return to America when I come back in the following autumn. Allheartiest good wishes and much love from us both to you and to Don.

I am ever

Your loving friend

CW Leadbeater.