

[Letter from F.O. Young (Frederic Osborne) to his grandniece Ina Hardy Rolerson]

San Francisco

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Dear Ina,

Yours received found me just getting over the "flu" which has left me weak. I want to go home this May but may not be strong enough to make the trip – then the fare is so much that it don't induce one to go – Years ago I came for \$45.00 and always expected them to be less! Guy & Vesta are having lots of sickness, & aunt Cynthia is very feeble. Vesta lost her father, It was fortunate that he was with her at the last. I always appreciated what Guy & she did to help father and mother & make it pleasant for them in their last days, That's one reason I've been liberal with Guy on my place, also that he is about our only farmer. What father helps you? Is it Robt? – I am not doing much of any work for the past five years. You are fortunate to obtain work now – Nurses get good pay & learn quickly – May, my old penpal [?] from Me. who took care of me 6 weeks in my last illness, has a niece who has just come out from Belfast, she is a nurse, Geo. Doak's daughter – her mother was Abbie Carleton & she went my school in Vinalhaven. M lived across the pond – Ben Carleton was her father – Glad to hear from you. With love and best wishes –

Uncle Fred