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CHICAGO

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My dear Gertrude,

We are going thru quite a spell of weather - the mercury marking zero and even  $10^{\circ}$  below during the period. We are not out of it yet. To keep warm was the occupation of the days. Abba was so cold that she threatened to move. She may yet - no knowing.

We have taken a small cottage in connec-

tion with a hotel (Palmetto Inn) at Aiken. Four bedrooms are included.

John is trying to get accommodations for Jan. 24. Thus far have we gone. There will be room for you in the cottage. In writing to Hattie Barnes the other day, I invited her to join us but have no idea she will accept as they were planning to cross to England in February with Mrs. Howe (Mary Locke) I presume <sup>Hattie</sup> she will keep her original plan as she has a doctor over there in whom she pins her faith, and they were going mostly on that account.

Received a telegram from Robert advising me of his arrival here tomorrow (Jan. 17) Thursday. He is coming on business, no doubt. We can perhaps later make a short stay in Washington.

During this cold weather, much snow has fallen. More is prophesied for tonight. This is very severe - breaks a record of 16 years.

I am feeling in better health.

and spirits. Have taken my new  
Xmas dress to the dressmaker  
who is busy now matching the  
material and planning a gown.  
It is a lovely color - only I  
wished there was more of it,  
which is not what most people  
would wish.

Sam likes his new position,  
I think, but after all hopes to  
go to Cambridge next year.

With very much love

Mother

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