

364-72 St.

Brooklyn, N. Y.

October 15, 1953

Dear Frank,

I regret I am not coming to attend your wedding. My parents arranged to come to Mrs. Duffy's to visit this week, and they will remain this weekend and next week. It is my duty and pleasure to be with my mother now because I see her so seldom, and in her life there will not be many more occasions like this. Please tell my regrets to Leonard, and tell her I am sorry to be so inadequate on the R. S. V. P.

I extend to you in this letter  
a promise I made to Eugene at  
the time of his wedding. As our  
life lengthens, even though  
chance or frailty bring it about  
that we see each other less and  
less, yet I want you to feel,  
if you are ever in severe  
want or trouble and it is in  
my power to help you, that you  
may summon me at once  
and at anytime, from far away,  
and I will give that help.

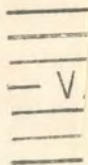
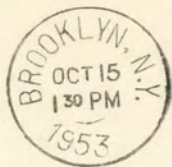
And now, much happi-  
ness - a successful wedding  
night, and a successful wedded

life. Prosperous and counti-  
ful issue.

Your friend,  
John Colton

I am sorry  
to hear of your  
illness. I hope  
you will soon  
be well again.  
I am your  
affectionate  
friend,  
John Colton

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