603 15<sup>th</sup> St., N.W., Washington, D.C., Aug 12 1900.

My dear Walsh,

Glad to hear from you again. I have not been in New York since I told you, but if I go I'll try (I <u>tried</u> then) to get a sight of you.

I congratulate you on your promotion, but is your salary promoted too. I look upon all insurance as a "skin game," but if you won't become an author-and-saint you may as well progress in the humbler path.

So you fell in love, you doubled-and-twisted idiot! And I dare say you'll marry and go to the devil as they all do. O, well I'm accustomed to such defections.

Leigh lives at 37 W. 99<sup>th</sup> St. (<u>he</u> married) and works on the Morning Telegraph, posing leggy and elbowy actresses on a back roof, photographing them and dumping the result into the paper.

As to me, I live at a club house 7 miles out of town on the beach of the Potomac. Come and dine on my balcony.

Sincerely yours, A.B.