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TO HARRY DE FOREST SMITH

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Nov<sup>a</sup> 2 – '92.

My dear Smith,

Excuse me for not writing before, but I have been feeling pretty "rocky" the past week and do not feel much better now. Constipation is after me and I am after it, but cannot seem to catch it.

As to the foot ball tickets I shall have to make an application

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before Nov<sup>b</sup> 8. If you are sure you are coming I will get a couple (that is, try to). If you do not come I doubt if I shall go—that is, the way I feel now. But when the time comes my bowels may be all right. Don't let this put you off at all, as Barnard will be only too glad to go in my place. If you come, write as soon as possible and tell me just how you are coming—when and where you will strike Boston & I will be there to meet you.

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Personally I must confess that I would rather have you come and stay some Saturday and Sunday when there is no game. I don't think you quite realize—I never did before—the jumping around you will have to do; but then, if you like foot-ball, of course that makes no dif-

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ference. Of course it is a rather expensive trip, and needs a rather lively inducement. I will find out what time the train leaves for Springfield. My impression is that [it] is in the early morning.

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We would get back about eight o'clock however so there would be considerable time at the tail-end of the visit.

You will have to excuse my letter this week for a bad job. Will try to do better next time. I have said that before.

Sincerely

Robinson<sup>c</sup>

HCL Omitted from *US*.

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