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have a different conception of what is good and bad in life. From the standpoint of marks, my course here has been a failure, as I knew well enough it would be; but that is the last thing in the world I came here for. Grinding for marks is

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does {sic} not command my admiration except in case of pecuniary necessity. Under those conditions, it often borders on the heroic. You have no idea of what some men go through here, unless that little book on "Students' Expenses" worked upon your imagination to a considerable extent.

I shall look for a letter from you to-morrow or Tuesday telling me whether you intend to come this way or not. If you are sure that you are not, I may come home before Class-day, but would rather not.

Sincerely
R.

HCL US, 100-101.