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Dear Rachel

Mother got a letter from thee this evening in which thou asks my opinion of the Presidential candidates - Now I don't suppose thou expects to vote but as thou has sons who will & who may be influenced by their mother's sage advice I will send thee a copy of a paper which gives some extracts from Roosevelt's speeches made during the past 8 or 10 years. which will I think help thee to form an opinion about the safety of continuing Roosevelt in the presidency. As to my opinion of Judge Parker, I told Francis Kane when he was about to go to the St. Louis convention that I hoped that the Democrats would nominate him. that if they wished to secure the support of the sober portion of the Republicans they must nominate either him or some one like him. & when he was nominated I felt glad. not that I felt any hopeful of his being elected, for the mob loves to be led by a bully whether he be a Napoleon or a Roosevelt & the mob may vote, but it gives a man a chance to vote for an



able, sober-minded thoughtful man, trained as a  
Judge to weigh dispassionately, all questions which he  
has to decide - and when I read his acceptance of the  
nomination I felt sure that the Convention had built  
even better than it intended -

Maybe this is enough of politics - Mother took a  
good drive again this afternoon & seems pretty well.  
Lillie tells us this morning to pay a visit of a day or  
two to the Queen of Bear Island, crossing the sea in the  
Royal yacht 'The Three Bears' - his Majesty sailing  
the ship himself & but sending the Queen ashore to  
accompany the Queen Mother to the wharf,

Much love to Anna in which Tom joins -  
Mother has retired for the night

Thy loving father