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Dear Mr Eastman,

I have made engagements for the Montreal meeting of the A S M E that take me away from Rochester Sunday morning so I cannot accept the invitation to your Musical. I am particularly sorry to miss seeing you as I will probably never have another opportunity.

I hope to leave Rochester in July to go on with my work of house building in places where I have contracts and it is unlikely that I will be here again except for a day, now and then.

I am very grateful to you for the business ideals of courage and fairness that you have given me. Your early discouragements and triumphs I have heard only second hand through Mr Wheeler Davis and Mr Henry Strong. But I well remember Henry Reichenbach and the re-organization of your chemical department. And Darragh DeLancey and the strikes. My heart ached for you in the Stromberg-Carlson trial; you looked some days as though you had been buried about two weeks and dug up again. And I have always admired your action in giving the ordinary stock-holders such a big share of the rewards of your business as soon as there were any rewards.

I have myself come through a terribly tough fight in '20 & '21. If my Father had not been here to help me, I was a goner. I am glad now I had the troubles otherwise I might have stuck around here and missed the gay life of adventure and congenial work I have before me.

*Yours Truly, Kate Gleason*