

San Francisco, Cal.

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My very own Darlings: -

I want to tell you where we took our breakfast this morning. up in the 15th story of the Spreckels building - the building is the highest in San Fran. 20 stories high - commanding a view of the entire city, the room was square and glass on all sides. Lickie this is the city for you strawberries the whole year, we had strawberries + cream, the berries are so large you have to cut them in two to eat them, and the cream furnished is (a no. 1). The proprietor said they had had an earthquake about two weeks ago

but it had done no damage.
the building was two years old
and had stood the shocks
without a crack in the wall
cost was over 2,000.000.

The climate is glorious. for
me, that is I can keep cool. I
heard a gentleman say that he
would not exchange one county
of Mich, or Ohio for all of Cal.
he said in Mich, when it was
cold you know it and prepared
for it, but he said he went out
in the country ^{here} driving and when
they started it was very warm some
took their overcoats and others did
not, after half an hour those who
had not taken theirs became very

Cold - and regretted leaving
theirs behind, in another half
hour - those who had taken theirs
wondered why ^{they} had burdened them-
selves with their coats - it is
a great city for taking cold -
the wind blows + blows

We went to the Cliff House
and saw the Ocean -
saw the seals - we went
to Berkeley University - +
Oakland today - we will
soon leave San Fran -
think Mon. but we are not
certain the convention has
closed - Love to Fittie +
Hattie. take good care of them.
Have received but one letter
from home - With much love
+ May God bless + watch over my
darlings - Papa + Mama