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The fourth game of the Erie-Canton play off was due this afternoon and I drove Bab and Rog up and left them there to pick up after the game. But it was called on account of wet grounds. However, they now have their rain checks and are much elated as they know they can see the game come what may. They all drove me to the train and I felt I left a much happier family than when I left for Washington last time. I sat in the Eddie's diner and ate my dinner in content, looking out at the passing countryside just beginning to turn to autumn faintly. I knew in my heart I had found at last what I had been looking for and I was glad. Now my job is to keep up this game and make good on my pledge Friday night as I held my Babbie's and my Rogie's hands there in the darkness. ^[[[]]]

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