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and that hinder this there is much influence of local politics in Jersey. Also calls my attention that Fish is very intimate with General Electric Co and allied interests in which he counts Edison etc.

Then read my address on "Abuses of our Patent System Before I got so far Rogers of Washington and specially Dr. Herstein had tired the audience so there was only 50% left but my address was well received except from the part of the lawyers. Swenarton took part in discussion and seemed to imply our whole system to be perfect etc etc.

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all which was [?] of controversy. Left with 12:35 P.M. train. Good rest. April 20. Beautiful sunny weather and restful day. I am bothered since some days with nose-bleeding. I ought to take matters restfully.

April 21 (Sunday). Busy all day until 4:30 P.M. Mild day Charge 3 hours Hooker E. Co [in margin] X 15.00 [in margin] one hour Royal Baking Powder Co

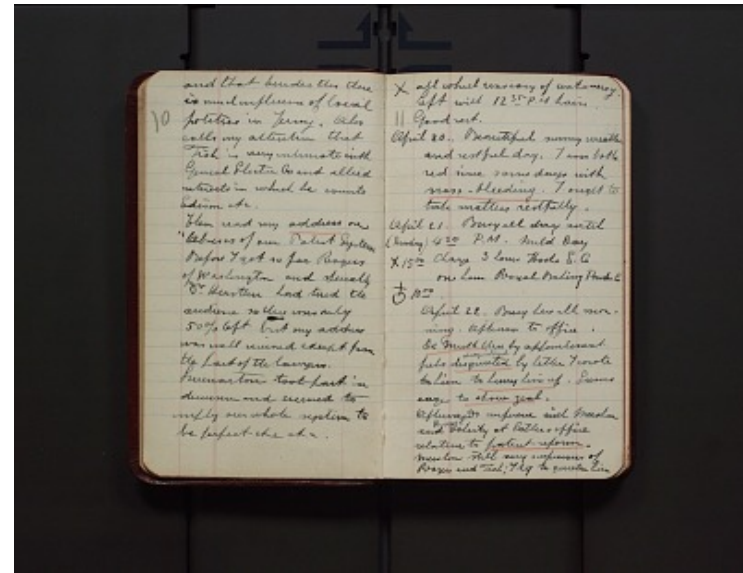
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April 22. Busy here all morning. Afternoon to office. DeMuth there by appointment feels disquieted

^[disquieted rewritten in pencil] by letter I wrote to him to hurry him up. Seems eager to show zeal. Afterwards conference with Mershon and

^[Henry &] Doherty at latter's office relative to patent reform. Mershon still very suspicious of Rogers and Fish. I try to quieten him

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