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July 3. Celine left for camp this morning. - beautiful bright day. Visited Prof Parr my neighbor. Am arranging my papers, and ~~ans~~ ~~writing belated~~ answers of letters.

July 4 This morning went for a walk along aqueduct with our dog. - Beautiful weather. Visited the old Seaman estate now entirely abandoned and much in ruin. - The boys of the neighborhood and New York are setting of their fire-crackers as in former years, altho it is now forbidden. The noise is worse than last year. A promenade on the aqueduct is very inspiring and beautiful. Made me think of old times when the children were small. Pleasant memories of younger days.

July 5. Visit to Dr. Fowler at 9:30 A.M. Tells me there is but one small ~~susp~~ suspicious spot left in my ear. But otherwise everything looks well. Made date for next week Wednesday (1 week) same hour.

Went to office putting order in my belated correspondence. Feel in excellent condition.

Walked to the University Club, where met many old friends at luncheon.

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cheerful return. Met Mr. Grenade there and with him and a younger man connected with Belgian embassy. Pleasant cheerful visit. Afternoon went to see a Cinema at the Plaza. Wrote to Professor that I shall not be able to preside or participate at coming meeting of Plastics at John Hopkins

July 6 At office, wrote letter to Belgian Ambassador, Baron Cartier de Marchienne thanking him for sending that publication, of Antwerp, with my portrait and my work in Photography, together with Van Monckhoven, and a few other Met my old Friend and first user of Bakelite pipe stems etc Mr. De Muth on Fifth Ave

July 7 At office signing letters and other duties. Then Dick drove me to the "World's Fair". A modern Marvel! Went first to visit the Bakelite exhibit. As it was in the morning visitors had not yet shown up in this department of plastics. Our exhibit was in charge of an intelligent young man. I just walked in like any stranger but as I examined carefully every division of our exhibit, he



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