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Dearest Nathaniel:

Did you see these two statues in Penn Valley Park in your town of Kansas City? I took a little tour myself today as I have 5 hours between trains. I like both the statues very much and think the one of the Pioneer Mother one of the most wonderful I have ever seen. Doesn't

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The "Pioneer Mother," Kansas City--This bronze group standing in Penn Valley Park bears this inscription: "Presented to the people of Kansas City by Mr. Howard Vanderslice to commemorate the Pioneer Mothers who with unfaltering trust in God, suffered the hardships of the unknown West to prepare for us a homeland of peace and plenty." The monument is the work of A. Phimister Procter of New York, one of the foremost of American sculptors.

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[MS. illegible] trusting & wondering expression? & isn't the man full of strength. I also saw the War Memorial which is very fine don't you think? I am dining at the Hotel Muehlebach where we stayed in 1928 [MS. illegible] famous town. I sent even today & present is: one bottle Phillips Milk of Magnesia for use & not for ornament!!! Lovingly Mother

[P.S.]

[MS. illegible] as was here in 1928 & produced the lovely birthday cake for Oliver. He couldn't believe it was nearly 4 years ago.

It's very cold, about 10°. I could have used my fur coat & [MS. illegible]