

Aeron Hotel, 70 West 55<sup>th</sup> St.  
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My dear Gertrude,

Of course I will come out to Eugene and go over your paintings for you if you want me to do so. I am not sure yet as to the time when I could come for I have an engagement to go to Toronto for which the date has not yet been definitely fixed but it will probably be about the middle of June though there is a possibility that it might be in April. As soon as that date is settled I shall let you know. Would it make any difference to you whether I came in April or in the summer or in the autumn. Perhaps summer vacation might be the best time unless perchance you plan to spend that season elsewhere. At any rate you can count on my coming and the only question to settle is the time. I shall love to do this work for you and while I am with you I can make two or three [] if you would like me to do so.

You will not need to make any preparations for my coming We can take some paintings wherever necessary and remove the glass or frames.

Mary has taken the position of Programme [sic] Director of the United China Relief Inc. and we have rented a small apartment at the address which you find at the head of my first sheet. It is a very responsible position but one for which she is well-fitted. As for me I am trying by speeches and interviews to do what I can for China.

I hope that your strength is bearing up against the pressure of the years. Mary joins me in much love to you.

Yours as ever  
John

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