

Aurora, Ore, April 19/21

Dear Mr. Himes

The saw and broom
you sent to me by mail
have arrived, and I, at
once, went to work testing
the merits of the cross-cut.

I assure you that I am
delighted — — it cuts fast
and yet does not require
near the efforts to work
it that it did to tug at
that old saw of McCann.¹⁸
Thanks — I'll be more
generous with fire-place
wood —

Mr. A. M. Prentiss sent me
proofs from the negatives he
took, a week ago last Sunday.
He is an expert.

I am yours truly
Gegaux