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MRS. GENERAL COLLIS,
New York City.

DEAR MADAM:

It was a handsome compliment for you to submit to me the proofs of your forth-coming book "A Woman's Trip to Alaska," every word of which I have read with profit and pleasure, and I am sure it will influence thousands of tourists to visit our own sublime regions in America before going to Europe.

I profess to be somewhat familiar with every route of travel between New York, Puget Sound and British Columbia, and can verify your faithful description as far as Queen Charlotte Sound. Thence to Sitka, Muir Glacier and Juneau, your trip went beyond my personal experience; although I have conversed with many officers who have been there and beyond, all of whom will bear testimony to your faithful descriptions.

In reading your text I was impressed by your appreciation of the heroic achievements of our American pioneers who have brought the Pacific States within easy reach of the most delicate and refined of our Eastern people; that you describe the comfort and