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Theodore Roosevelt to Quentin Roosevelt, October 1, 1907.
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There isn't much to make pictures about; I'll see if I can't find something better when we get to camp.

Your loving

father.