Kerrville, Texas, Apr. 12 1900.

## Dear Grandfather

I wrote to Mr. Slayden the other day and asked him what show I would have for the appointment to the Naval Academy. I received an answer from him the other night and he wrote that it would hardly be proper to make a promise so far ahead of its possible execution, but he said that if I would keep up my studies until then that I would be eligible to the Academy and should there be be a competitive exam

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ination for the appointment that I would have a good show to win it.

If I continue my school, I will graduate in May 1902 and the appointment to the Academy is made sometime between Mar. 5 and June. I think that I shall just go here until I graduate and then be ready for a competitive examination should there be one.

I close hoping you are all well, and giving my best regards to Uncle Charley and the rest.

Your affectionate grandson,

[signed] Chester Nimitz