-1288- Chicago Apl 13th 1878^a From George Bliss Dear Sir: I send you a dozen copies of the Tribune as requested.¹

The Mania has broken out this way— School-girls write

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compositions on Edison: The funny papers publish squibs on Edison: The religious papers write editorials on Edison:² The daily papers write up his life: The Rev. Woodbury^b is writing a magazine article on Edison³ &c &c

When shall we get a visit? Respfly

Geo. H. Bliss G.M.

Why dont the Graphic fill up exclusively with Edison and done with?

ALS, NjWOE, DF (*TAEM* 17:76). Letterhead of the Electric Pen and Duplicating Press, George Bliss, General Manager; letterhead and dateline are electric pen copy. a "Chicago" and "1878" preprinted. b Obscured overwritten letter.

- 1. Bliss's biographical essay on Edison had appeared in the 8 April Chicago Tribune. See App. 3.
- 2. E.g., "Easy Enough," *Chicago Alliance*, 13 Apr. 1878, Cat. 1029:13, Scraps. (*TAEM* 25:168).
 - 3. Neither the clergyman nor the magazine has been identified.