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Dear Sir:

I have read with great interest that your daughter, whom I remember having seen eleven years ago as a little girl, has distinguished herself as an artist and promises to make a splendid career. I congratulate you warmly and at the same time appeal to you as a father to do me a favor.

I have a little girl myself and the doctor tells me that she and her mother must go to the country for a few weeks. I have not the means to send them, having ~~had~~ met with ill luck for quite a

while and being compelled
to work only moderately
on account of sickness.

Now could you not
send me the money I paid
out for that dog? It was not
a commercial transaction
for I did ^{not} make a penny on
it, but paid cash down
for it. It is surely a different
debt from any other in this
and other respects.

I read your writings
in the Inter-Ocean and
other papers and feel certain
that with a little effort
you can spare the money
and help me along. If you

cannot send it all, send
me say \$15. - and I will
sell it square and
consider it all paid.

Of course I cannot
compel you to pay me one
cent - I only appeal to
such qualities as I believe
form part of your character.

Very truly yours

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