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My dear Mrs Touger.

How time has galloped since I got your last letter telling me the welcome news that the sunshine and pleasant weather had begun the good work of restoring your health & I have thought to write you many times but always the troubles of some one pressed upon me and I had to go to Washington, Phila. N.Y. or somewhere, or into Court never home & then, too, the usual good health in my own home has not prevailed & here I went to Schuette's to settle Richmond house, caught a bad cold, came home

was finally forced to go to bed,  
and is only fairly up and not  
yet out from under the dr's  
care, although I think on  
the way to good health again,  
Richmond got home only to  
have his wife find she must  
submit to the surgeons knife  
and she is not yet well;  
although she is doing as  
well as we can expect, so he,  
fortunately again nipped and  
shove from his operation, is alone  
and hard at work at Schuylkill  
and elsewhere. How do let  
me know if I can do any-  
thing for you & you are

such a strong, brave, sweet  
soul that the hearts of  
Mrs Moot and myself go  
out to you & I hope this  
letter will find you  
much improved

Ever your friend  
Adelbert Moot