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Dear Mr. Fonger

The enclosed solitary
& empty wrapper has been rec^d.
Did it contain the Review you
sent, or some galleys returned
by the Judge? I fancy the
former. It evidently was not
gummed or securely fastened,
& so - if a string was on, the
band was loosed. It is al-
lowable to gum at the edge
if the ends are left open,
& when the name of a respon-
sible house is on the wrapper
they don't usually bother
with examining.

I sent you a lot
of proofs (galleys): also to
the Judge Oct 22 at Gallatin, Mo.

his real personal success. Do you want to keep him sweet?
He will last the longer for you & for the world, & so better
work for his own sake & for the world.

remedy of little & dedication; &
Oct 25 Baldwin, Rau, Gally
112. Have heard nothing
any of them except this
pl wrapper!

Have you heard whether
he has read any of the
plots? When do you expect
him home?

I read & read with
keen relish of fun his letter
to the 105 "Oh I detest you": but
his point would have been
twice as effective if he had
taken half the time to say it.
Then it seems to me he loses
ground with rational people when
he goes so far in his sarcasm.
It is exaggeration; & while it
raises a laugh because it is
"witty," makes the "judicious quiver" &
doesn't help him with any. His
girding at the "Century," too, looks
like a personal pique. I wouldn't
write all this to him at all, - nor
even to you but that I have a
genuine regard for him & interest in