

My dear Mont:

Did one ever have so true a friend?
I was sure I did not misinterpret your "hesita-
tion". It was not of the least consequence. Of course,
receiving an invitation after the date fixed in
the invitation itself for a reply, I should never have
dreamed of accepting but for your telegram. You
knew there is nothing I would not do to gratify
you, but that was all the interest I felt in the
matter. You having written about it, before, I
had kept my eyes open and ~~was~~ ~~always~~ looked
up an idea for a neat little speech so that
you would not feel that I was doing you any
discredit; but your manifestation of tender regard was
infinitely more highly prized than the completest
success of your kindly purpose could have
been. By the way, I am having such a good run of luck
in the demand for serial work that I am afraid.

I shall have to give up lecturing next year pretty much entirely, which, though it may be an affliction to my family, may eventually make the re-translation to the law easier, or prevent it entirely as the case may be. Mrs. J. joins in regards to yourself and Mrs. Norton.

We are thinking of getting a few weeks up at Minnetonka - just for a change of surroundings - this summer.

Yours truly

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