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My dear Sir:

In searching for some-
thing I wanted to know the other day, I
stumbled on a little book you gave me some
years ago written by Dr. Pettit. I don't know
whether I read it before or not - If I did it
slipped from my memory in a most remarkable
way. But there were a couple of years when I
was hardly myself and scarcely remember
anything that happened. Ah all events I
was most appreciably surprised by the charac-
ter of the little book. Accident has thrown a
good many such things in my way but
this is decidedly the best - the most graphic
and interesting and the least swell-headed
of the "Underground" narratives I have seen.
If the writer is still living please convey to
him my heartiest thanks for a most en-
joyable volume which may yet prove

a real service to humanity. Such examples
as the U. S. R. R. furnished are never lost
upon ~~human~~ the world and especially in
this case, in which slavery was the least
part of the evil, the whole unsettled balance
of which is now crowding upon us and
demanding "remedy."

Sincerely yours

William W. Townsend