

My dear Nixon:

On my return today I learned of your letter "suspending," as I understand, the Byastunder for 60 days with doubt as to its resumption. The letter itself was sent on to me but did not reach me before starting on my return. As it may be some days before it gets around I am, according to Mrs. J's idea of the contents.

I understand that the reason
given is the necessity for an
immediate retrenchment which
you found on your return.

You had not before returned
^{that there was} felt any such need and I did not
suppose any such condition ex-
isted. I wish, therefore, to say at the
outset and in the simplest and
briefest manner, that if the in-
ter-^{ven-}tion is in any financial
then differently and wishes the

By tender to continue it can
have it as long as any such
stringency may ~~exist~~ ^{last} ~~portion of the amount~~ ^{portion of the amount} ~~pay-~~
ing only such ^{portion of the amount} ~~portion of its~~
~~present charge~~ ~~amount~~ ^{as}
may be convenient, until the
pressure is relieved. ^{I will} ~~partially~~
I can probably knock ~~which has recently~~
~~some other work~~ ~~which is cash~~
~~around and do~~
~~come to my hands~~ ~~will~~ ~~scarcely~~
a little extra ~~but~~ ~~boiling~~ ~~so as to~~
me to do this for several months,
help the matter along without taking up ~~reg-~~
~~ards~~ ~~of that sort~~ ~~elsewhere.~~
without making any change with
regards to that work necessary.

~~and~~ I shall be much happy
do ~~everything~~ in my power to
to, manifest my regards for
you and esteem for the Inter-
Ocean by showing to the full
any difficulty that may beset
it. You need not fear any
denial from me when you are
in any ~~strong~~ 'strait'. When you
are fat, ~~and~~ suppose you to
be ~~—~~ I will ~~talk~~, if I think it
my ~~right~~ there be occasion; but
when you are in difficulty

I will work for a crust to help you out. I may not be a ~~very~~ very gushing fair weather friend, but when it comes to tight times and adversity I have the admirable tenacity of a bull-dog, with the same indifference to buffeting.

If you want the Bygones to continue, therefore, you can cut it down to ^{suit} your convenience making it up when the storm is over and we will just put a

little more water in the porridge
at this end of the line and would
believe it is all the same.

If, however, you desire to discon-
tinue it, I will do a little busting
to place it elsewhere. In any event,
please understand that there is on
my part only the heartiest
good will and earnest de-
sire to be of service in the
best way I can.

Truly Yours