Sedalia Mo - Nov 10th 94

W. H. Simpson,

My dear friend,

Only yesterday I reached home, the event was made successfully, with no physician in a sleeper, and Lida is resting very comfortably in her own bed.

The was very much excited at the time of leaving but the day was pleasant and everything propitious.

I had expected to write you on business re this, but sickness cannot always be what it would wish and she is still too weak to talk on matters of so much importance as the "Man of Yesterday" what a pleasure it is to recall one that is.

I believe you can orient in a picture of that man through

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a history of those times that would be as unique as your inventive genius would desire - and with your knowledge of human nature, your skill in plots, and plans, your humor and pathos, your wealth of language, and former reputation, would make a book that the world needs to-day, a new feature in literature, and help meet to the great moral reforms on which you are so intent. - and being that will prove a financial success, I may be Optimistic in my views but such is my hope

am delighted to know the beautiful daughter is in good hands and in the way of improvement And now I wish to congratulate you on the political situation which you must enjoy greatly Please present my warmest love with letters to your "Queen of Hearts" and Miss Emilla hastily Sue Cotton -

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