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Dear V R:

I am hastening to reply to your "Affectionate Admiration and Scorn" letter. It has done me no end of good - I needed some such tonic. I will not plead the disorganization and thick wittedness that this accursed arm has caused me as an excuse for sending you the manuscript as I did. I knew the opening was wrong. It did tie on, badly to be sure, to the end of the previous part but how were you to remember that? I went to the reorganization of the material with zest this morning stirred to it by your scorn and I know I shall have the thing improved - step up its pace and its color.

I am no end interested by what you remember of my more or less untrammelled talk in the past.

Yes, you invented that car as far as Rogers is concerned. I have been racking my brains to find it and I seem to remember that I did have something of that happen but it was an Archibald car and it was Mrs. Johnie A. that called to me. There was an episode there that I must have talked a good deal about but I cannot bring myself to introduce it, for the Archibalds were and are old, old family friends and outside of J A as fine a lot as you can find.

But you recall other happenings that I can and ought to work in - things that I had forgotten.

That restlessness of J D R was typical in a crowd - he was afraid. And I like your suggestions of good works introduced.

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I am afraid the truth is that I have little stomach for taking him up - my revulsion is greater than ever.

But I can't write this out, dear Rosie, only I want you to know at once that you have done me a lot of good.

Since you are so casual about money I will be casual a little longer. You have read seventy five thousand words to date, but you will be hearing from me on that point.

With Affectionate Admiration and Deep Humility

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