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My Dear Miss Farbell:

Telegram rec'd. My dear overworked girl—just put yourself at the softest place on easy street and rest serene about hastening that "Foreword" for me. I anticipated your advice "to send the MS on & 'Foreword' could follow," by sending it a week ago, with a due Explain that "Foreword" would come in shortly.

"Pubs" always try "hurry ups" on everybody's copy—then take their sweet, lovely leisure on their part of the job. No hastes for you, my dear girl, before they get out the "four page proof" and this count be in this month I'm sure.

I have not heard from J. B. S. Co. since sending them the MS. They might "turn me down", yet—and that would promise you "indefinite relief".

I'd rather have the book a <u>month or two later</u> than hurry you <u>the least bit</u> for I wish you to have time and strength to do your best on "<u>Footsteps</u> &c" and the "Foreword bow" to

Your Sincere and Humble Servant's MS.

Henry B. Rankin

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