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Dear Mrs. Eastman:

I cannot begin to tell you how pleased I am that you should have taken the trouble to have written me about "All in the Day's Work." Ever since I have been going back and forth to Easton - over thirty years now - I have been planning to ask you to let me drop in and see you. But I have been a bad neighbor in Easton, going up for very short periods, generally because I was tired. Always I have been looking ahead to the time when I should settle down in the country and really know my neighbors. I certainly hope that when that day comes your sister Mrs. Dayton, and your brother, Mr. Goodale, will let me go and see them.

I do not understand now why I did not say in telling my story of that trip to Mt. Washington with Senator Hoar that one of the high spots was seeing the Goodale home. It meant a good deal to me, "The Apple Blossoms" having been one of the first books of American poetry that I took to my heart.

I recall the Senator went in. Probably there he gave that dollar to your son-in-law. He was in such an exultant mood that he would have given his last cent to anybody born on Mt. Washington!

Of course I have known of your fine work since for those true American born. It is a noble work and I congratulate you on what you have done.

Thanking you again for your goodness in writing me, believe me, my dear Mrs. Eastman

Faithfully yours

Mrs. Elaine Goadall Eastman
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