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Dearest Julie:

I was relieved to hear through George Martin that you had gotten through the storm with comparatively little damage — When she said you had lost many trees my mind flew to the twin Oaks and "Pen" & "Brush". I do hope they were not hurt. It is too bad that poor Molly Best had such a harrowing experience. She seems to have gone through life on the wings of a hurricane!

The house seems strangely restful after the past hectic week when the radio was going every hour and Extras were being called, and the telephone on a rampage. Being a Non-Resister by nature I rejoice that we have achieved

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a peaceful settlement, even though it meant giving more power to that fiend Hitler. It seems to me that any kind of compromise with a mad bull is better than letting him run amuk on the battle-field. At least a precedent has been established in settling disputes by arbitration, and even if we can continue to have temporary adjustments, these may in time become permanent.

It has all been absorbingly interesting, and one has had little time or inclination for any thing else.

October has come in with glorious promise of a radiant autumn. We are going to the country this afternoon and I wish you were with us.

Work has absorbed us both of late and will continue to do so until we finish the

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books we are engaged upon. Mine is a frivolous novel which I am particularly enjoying writing, and Celia is a book of Memoirs called

"Starry Adventure"

in which he has set down his literary impressions, of things, people and places, his impressions of trends in poetry, philosophy and politics, with much interesting comment. With his fund of information, and interesting reactions to life, he has made a delightful book. You wander through several pages described with the tender admiration of one who has loved you for a long time.

How is your book coming on? Do tell me about it

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when you can.

Now that I am better I dare to dream that some-day we may get back to New York for a glimpse of all you dear friends from whom we have been separated so long. I even thought it might be next summer but every one says a World's Fair year would be impossible for a lady who can walk so little, and still have to run on one cylinder!

What is the news of the General? and J.S.P.? and Bart? How I should love a good long pow-wow with you!

Cale stops me to send his love and to say he thinks of you often—

Your devoted

A.H.R.

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