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Dear Miss Lane:

Here is the article "The Poor Ye Always Have With You" of which I spoke the other day as one of the chapters in my proposed Then and Now series. Have no qualms about sending it back if you find that it does not fit into your program.

What would you think of an article on "Industry's Contribution to the Woman's Emancipation?" What man has done to give her heat and light by pushing a button certainly should be counted as important in the freedom that has come to her. Would you like me to try it?

It was a real pleasure to talk with you the other day quite apart from any professional interest.

Faithfully yours

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