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My dear Miss Jones:

The long time it has taken me to acknowledge your letter about "All in the Day's Work" must not be taken as a proof that it did not interest me. As a matter of fact few letters I have received about the book interested me more. Of course I appreciated your good opinion of the book and was touched by the trouble you took to write me. But what really counted was that it brought you and Miss Canfield back to me. You see I had lost you, both your names and your town. One of the disagreeable things about lecturing to me was that the work had to be done so hurriedly, that the name of one town and the pleasant people I met there crowded out the others - not that I forget them, only that I couldn't sort them out, place them.

I remember distinctly how you met me at the train, took me to your studio, how you took my picture, how good you were to me, tired person that I was with that dreadful sinus. I have kept those pictures as among the best I ever had taken, but I hadn't your name. I would have written you long ago to tell you how much I liked them and how in spite of years they seem still to impress my friends as being something like me, but I had lost your address. I wasn't sure it was Sioux Falls. So your letter was really exciting. I discovered something long lost.

I was much interested in what you told me about your present work with the women's clubs. That is ingenious. I am impressed more and more by the way women find things to do, which of course is the real secret of independence and security.

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Your work with Madame Jumel must be fascinating. I always had a desire to know more about her. Do let me know when your book comes out. I'll put my name down for one of the first.

Good luck to you in all your undertakings. And remember me most kindly to Miss Canfield.

Very sincerely yours

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