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My dear Mr. Hammond:

I hope you are not thinking that I have run away with your manuscript. After my definite promise to return it to you within a month I find that I am on my third month. However, you were so generous in assuring me that it would not inconvenience you even if I did keep the manuscript longer than the time I set, that I am hoping you will pardon the delay. I did not find the leisure I had expected to give to its careful examination; about half of it I have examined carefully and made notes from it. I want later to go through the rest in the same fashion. But now I am obliged to go to the Southwest for a series of College Conferences and cannot do any more with this work until I return in April. I am sending the manuscript to you by insured parcel post. Will you not kindly let me know if it reaches you safe and sound?

Thanking you again, dear Mr. Hammond, for your confidence in allowing me to take the manuscript and apologizing for my long delay in returning it, believe me

Very sincerely yours

Mr. John Hammond
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