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My dear kinswoman -

My birthday has caused so many expressions and manifestations of regard from my friends that I feel abashed and amazed. No greeting, however, came to me with more affection than did the one from you, and none came which I value more. The cake is a work of art and is very delicious. I thank you for it.

Our birthdays are coming now with ominous frequency. I hope that you are recovering and are being refreshed and re-invigorated by your change. I shall endeavor to call to see you some time in the near future, and I should value a visit from you at any time.

Sincerely and affectionately yours,

James K. Patterson