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My Dear HW

We send back the books with many thanks for the use of them. they are somewhat damaged by cockroaches and one is not at hand, possibly it may hence gone down - I mean the volume of "All the year round [0002] I retain Keble for a little longer.

I am sorry that you did not succeed according to all our wishes and your own I guess you uttered some of your terrific puns on the way & made Procter ill. I escaped relapse myself by holding [0003]in my breath as I read them. send a few more I wish to try if they will exorcise the cockroaches Better luck next time for you all I hope Meller will cure Procter as

quickly as he did his own case. Yesterday for the first time I walked a little [0004] without feeling as if I should faint this may be the effects of the iron which I have taken three times.

With good wishes for you all I am &c

DL His Mark