

From Friends Putnam

256 West 57th, St.

New York City.

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Miss Laura Gilpin,

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My Dear Miss Gilpin:

O, what wonderful work you do! Those photographs of yours are positively the most BEAUTIFUL ones I have ever seen. I just adore photography! Especially when it is done in that lovely, SYMPATHETIC way, if you get what I mean. Dear Miss Gilpin, WOULD you be willing to take one of me as The Blessed Damosel???? My friend, Fothergill Fitch, tells me my resemblance to her is so Marvelous! Of course I know my hair is straight, but I'd be only too glad to put quince-juice on it, for the sake of ART. I do love ART, don't you, dear Miss Gilpin?

I am sending you a little check, for which I wish you would PLEASE send me a photograph of that LOVELY TRIO! "The Three Graces", Mr Finch calls this. He's such a POET! And may I also have one of the one who plays the Viole da Gamba? I just can't live without it!

Yours, with sincerest admiration,

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