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Paul Standard

Dear Dell Dorr:

This line will assure you that I haven't yet been dismissed from our planet we are doing so much to pollute. Yet your very inquiry is a humbling experience; for I am sure that letter-forms have responses of their own. Such of mine as you have preserved must, in having so long been cherished by you, outdo themselves to be worthy of their present abode & of its occupant. I cannot speak for their quality de origine: they must surely have tried to justify your regard by at least seeming worthy of it.

And the like goes for the undersigned, who has treasured your every book as a rare & humane document, & who accordingly looks forward to of Night & Day in highest anticipation of more of your magical mixture of grace & compassion for all who can, in a darkened time, yet preserve a hope that humanity may prove worthy of your high vision of the good life

Yours ever sincerely
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