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Dear Pa --

Thank you very much for the check -- it was awfully generous, really. Nice to have, though, for Christmas presents for the kids.

I'm headed east tomorrow to spend Christmas with the kids in New England where all but Alex now live. I'll be staying with my sister, Caroline (Norton) Hurwitch in Sherborn but I hope I'll get to see not only the boys and Anne but Jane. Jane has just bought a house in Portsmouth and has a consulting business in historic preservation. She doesn't actually preserve anything but instead prepares the argument and other paper work so that buildings can gain recognition, officially, as historically or architecturally important. There are tax benefits to owners for such as status and that's where the money comes from.

I hope you feel better, Pa. I hope you'll be patient with yourself while you're on the mend. I think that's very important. People seem to make themselves awfully discouraged just by being discouraged. It sounds tautological, I know, but I really believe it's true. Anne's a little that way.

My very best wishes to Aline and everyone else for a very good Christmas and a good new year.

Love

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