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My dear Walter,

I should have
written at once, yesterday,
to acknowledge the photo.
which duly arrived, but felt
unable to express any definite
opinion on anything but the
Artistic finish, which is
good. On consideration, I
should suppose the lady to be
possessed of considerable
character - a very good
face, but possibly firm
& unending. Really we
cannot say, at least I don't,

No inspiration worth
 mentioning. Today I have
 been favoured by calls
 from both Florence & William.
 Florence had suddenly been
 told of the photo. & to its
 presence I have to attribute
 the rare event. She will be
 able to give you more
 complete details - To begin
 with she is struck by the
 hair. W is coming to dine
 with me tomorrow night,
 as I cannot get off to
 Montreal this week. I am
 trying to push through the
 Summary Report of the Survey

So that Parliament
may see something
to look at when it comes
to voting the Estimates,
after it is ready for
press I hope to be able
to spend a couple of
days with you, for
I have really been very
remiss of late.

Some days ago I sent
Father a book he wanted
on Indian plants -
I hope he received it

Sofly.

Yours
Gease.

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