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"And of naught else than Love would we discourse." — Dante, Sonnet II.

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FROM DANE KEMPTON TO HERBERT WACE

London, 3 A QUEEN'S ROAD, CHELSEA, S.W. August 14, 19—.

TESTERDAY I wrote formally, rising to the occasion like the conventional happy father rather than the man who believes in the miracle and lives for it. Yesterday I stinted myself. I took you in my arms, glad of what is and stately with respect for the fulness of your manhood. It is to-day that I let myself leap into yours in a passion of joy. I dwell on what has come to pass and inflate myself with pride in your fulfilment, more as a mother would, I think, and she your mother.

But why did you not write before? After all, the great event was not when you found your

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