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Miss Kate Morris

Dear Cousin

You will pardon the liberty I take in addressing a few lines of enquiry to you. What I wish to know is this; were you in the city and at our office a few days ^{ago}. I was absent from the city during the early part of last week, I noticed yesterday for the first time your card, and upon diligent enquiry I was not able to ascertain whether there had been any Ladies enquiring for me or not, during my absence. The question to be decided is, were you here, if so, I must say that I deeply regret my absence, as it would have afforded ^{me} much pleasure to have seen you.

Cousin Geo called upon me the day he left for Chattanooga. He seemed in good health and spirits, but made