

I loved

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My dear friend

I am not yet quite at home with the new name Bottan-y of course gives to you — but still loving the Smet name, I address you as of old, "my dear friend." Nellie is to have the happiness of seeing you, & this is only to remind you both of me when you meet. Please give me what comes there may be left in your memory & believe dear Bott-Annie-cal me,
Yours ever, with best remembrance to Mr. Sig. more,
H. J. Willis

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CHARACTERISTIC WHIMSICAL LETTER to his friend, Anna Catherine Lynch Botta, the American blue stocking. "I am not yet quite at home with the new name, Botta-ny of course gives to you-- but still loving the sweet flower, I address you as of old, 'My dear Friend.' Please give me what corner there may be left in your memory and believe me, Dear Bott-Annie-Cal one, yours ever, with best remembrances to Il Signore,
N. P. WILLIS."