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Tabistock House,
Tabistock Square, London, W.C

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My Dear Sir

allow me to thank you
very earnestly for your kind note, and
for the copy of the Press, you had the
goodness to send me. It is scarcely
necessary for me to add that I
am not only personally gratified by
the article to which you have
called my attention, but that I
regard its protest as honorable to
Literature, and conceived and
executed in a spirit becoming a
gentleman who loves and follows it.

I am so far at a disadvantage
(or an advantage) in the matter.

that I have never seen one word of
 the paper which does me the honor to
 make me a part of its stock in
 trade. Hearing of chance that it
 did so when it began its course, I
 followed my miserable rule of
 doing what I have to do in this
 world, without musing on irritations
 that can be blameless, excepted. If,
 however, I may be indebted to it
 for a personal knowledge of affairs, I
 shall (without the faintest idea of
 ever improving its acquaintance) know
 something good of it, and quite
 enough.

Dear Sir

Very faithfully
 Your obedient
 servant

R. H. Patterson Esq.