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My dear Mrs. Draper:

Nothing has happened this month yet that interests me more than the receipt of your letter - this, for the reason that you are a writer of promise, your difficulty is a real one, and you have no money! I am hoping that the last of these difficulties is not strictly true because if I should give your work the time necessary to solve this problem, I feel sure that I would earn my hire. I am glad you once worked with me because that should make it easier for us to understand each other.

Of one thing I am quite sure: I can tell you what the trouble is. The examination of from one to three manuscripts together with an exchange of letters with you should lay before us the whole problem. As to solving your difficulties -- that depends upon several things. We must, of course, diagnose before we can prescribe. I hope you will feel able to afford sending me one, and if possible, two manuscripts which have puzzled you most. The sheet enclosed will give you the fees.

I am interested in the novel. The solution most writers find who run into your difficulties is to espouse the novel exclusively. If you will give me a one thousand word digest or plan of your present novel I shall be glad to consider it in conjunction with your manuscripts at no extra cost.

If you feel unable to respond to these suggestions, please write me again anyway.

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. Edythe S. Draper
Oswego, Kansas

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