

I think I said, in London - will be satisfied - or if they are not, I must leave them to their own devices. Laudford & truant are alike queer - the 1.st on dit, a rogue - the 2.^d a violent man. I have been told that the 1.st has told the 2.^d to take off the lock, which I dare say was put on without his knowledge. But I have to do with the wife of No. 2 - & to read when or rather give her, your reply - & therefore I have been obliged to assume her statement of the case. - I have not had opportunity of speaking about it to No. 1, & if I had, I should have as little confidence in the one as in the other, so I can only - with any hope of prevailing, tell the tale as 'twas told ~~to~~ to me." -

I have only said "many years ago" - but the cottages were very old when I remember them 19 years ago. I fancy they were built nearly a century ago on the waste. All the other neighbours too used the well, & I believe do so still - one woman only is locked out, out of private spite - but I have kept all this out of the statement which I have to give her. I fear I have to deal with the father of lies in the affair. - Same time, will you please let me know if there is any objection to publishing the names & object of the Jupiter Comanche in an astronomical précis which I have to write (or that soon) for the Pop. Sci. Review? -

Yours very affectionately
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