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My dearest Arthur,

Best thanks for all the kind & friendly consideration that you have given to my case. It is at any rate satisfactory to know the result, even though it may not be a wished-for one, & to have a suspense terminated which only did more harm than good.

About the unbound sheets - if they can wait a little I think I can put them in better condition - & perhaps you would not wish them sent till you return to Hunter St. When that may be I do not know, but you will please tell me when convenient. <sup>See P.S. Jackson!</sup> We are going from home <sup>for</sup> next week to visit an old friend of my father's, - Miss Martin, of the banking family of Lombard Street, whom, curiously enough, we have never either of us seen - but who has so repeatedly pressed our going, from love of my dear father, that we must positively go before worse weather sets in.

That awful gale did much less damage here than in most places. When we first came