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got in touch with Archibald who assured me that there were no grounds whatever for this depression, that Urquhart's condition was splendid and that he (Archibald) was most enthusiastic about it. Archibald advises that he return to the Coast and spend this winter quietly. He wants it impressed upon Urquhart that the convalescent period is likely to be long, which is to be expected after his long illness. Archibald thinks that Sandy is just a little neurasthenic and that his nervous tone is a little below normal, but he assures me there is nothing in his physical condition for any of us to worry about.

I was delighted to have this assurance from Archibald and I think what we all must do is to impress upon Urquhart that he has made a wonderful recovery and that his future is bright indeed. I have not yet had time to have much private conversation with him, but I am sure you will agree with me he looks extraordinarily well and that Archibald's enthusiasm is justified. I am very sorry he cannot remain longer with me, but the fault is my own owing to my absence from the city.

With kindest wishes, I am,
dear Bill,

Ever yours faithfully,