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My dear Mr. Hawkes,-

I have received your letter of the 3rd instant. On reading it over, I am inclined to fear that you have taken too much to heart remarks that may have been made in the course of a political campaign. If I have in any way injured your feelings, I am exceedingly sorry as conscientiously I would not willingly do anything of the kind., We are unfortunately obliged to suffer under all kinds of imputations in fighting for any end, but the cause after all, is worth more than the abuse, and I much hope, that as a Liberal, believing in the principals of Liberalism, you will feel this, and not be estranged from a work that has the sympathy of your heart and conviction because of any attitude on the part of any person or party.

I look forward to having a talk with yourself over matters of this kind, at an early date.

Yours very truly,

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