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My Dear Wife

I feel vexed at myself and at no one else about the state of the Cistern — my judgment was satisfied when I saw Mr Smith put the wall of soft brick in before he coated the sides that it would let the water run out. I told him so and should have insisted on the adoption of my plan — The only thing to be done is to have another wall run about a foot from the present on the Cement and then carefully take down the present wall and Cement the place it has occupied. The water in the ice house has found its way there from the Cistern I hope. It is certainly either from that or from the place at which the waste pipe discharges — If from the first it will cease to flow there so soon as the ground parts with the water it has imbibed from the Cistern. If from the other the location must be put lower down the bank. I am very anxious to hear about the Garnons and try to be a little more obliging if they go.