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SAN MARINO GALIFORNIA

Santa Barbara, California March 17th, 1942

My very Dearest -

Your enclosure from Mr. Strong written from the Hotel Fairfax as to his Stevenson Collection was submitted to Max. He says that all questions of this sort: purchases, gifts and other acquisitions, must go to Mr. Leslie E. Bliss, The Huntington Library, San Marino, California. So if Mr. Strong will send whatever information he wishes to Mr. Bliss the latter can act upon it in whatever way may be possible.

Frankly, I don't believe there is much chance of an expensive purchase at this time and season of the world.

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Don't bother about our neighbor on the hill until after I have seen her as I expect to do in the next few days. I think you are correct. It is going to work itself out in the division of three-hundred between you - one-hundred and fifty now from each of you and three-hundred before the end of the year so as to insure the full amount being in bank for the coming two years. This method will apparently soothe the agitated chairman.

Knowing that you were suffering and undone by the flu has made the last days hard for us as well as for you.

Joen Trix

Hotel Fairfax February 19th New York

Dear Kathleen,

One day when I told you about my Stevenson collection and that I was considering selling some of it, you asked if I ad thought of writing to the Huntington Library about it. I would like very much to send them information about some of the things.

I have, for example, the Edinburgh edition, complete, which was made for my grandmother, Mrs. Stevenson. On safly leaf of each copy was printed by Stevenson's request, TO MY WIFE; of course it is the only set and it is in perfect condition.

I also have a great many interesting letters, many of which have never been published; somewritten in his youth when helping his father on lighthouse work. Also letters to Mrs. Stevenson with little illustrations.

If you think this sort of material would interest the library will you kindly let me know.

As ever

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I also have some intersting books from the Vailima library, presentation copies, some varnished with R.L.S. calling card stuck on the cover, inside or out.