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My Dear Deane:

A knock at my door, and who enters! Dr. Kennedy and his son! I was much surprised and more delighted. Their stay was very brief, and to me it ^{was} unsatisfactory because I had no home or accommodations by which to entertain them. But we had a couple pleasant chats, and I learned recent news of you. I hope soon to have a place to put my friends when they come. My house, in structure, has not progressed beyond the excavation of the cellar, but in plans and letting of contracts it is nearly done. I am building in a low place, and the rains of the last

Few days have made a Frog pond
of my would-be cellar. One profes-
sor comes along and says, "Oh ho!
going to raise fish?" Another says,
"Ah ha! you will have to develop
gills." But I am keeping my
mouth shut and am the while
concocting mighty plans. The water
is one of the attractions of the place.
I can turn it all clear of my cellar,
and I shall build my cellar very
high so that my house will stand
as high as those of my neighbors.
And then that water! Ah ha! won't
I have a caricature! Sedges of
swamps, sedges of bogs, sedges
of Inlets will flourish as the tad-
pole; and just adjacent, on the
dry sand and clay, will grow
sedges of glades, sedges of hills,

Sedges of banks, sedges of rocks,
sedges of shades!

Drop me a note.

Yours &c.
L. H. Bailey



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