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My dear Mr Marsh

I hope the New Year has found you in good health and spirits and Mrs. Marsh in better condition than when you last wrote. We at home here are not very bright. Many heavy had much sickness - particularly the last few months. She and Lucy send much love

I have a maggot in my brain, which may or may not develop into a full blown fly. Union sake? This flouting of maggots is however a harmless amusement when inserted under the skin a la bestras, serving to deplete "wholesome" by the name of rabbits, ree deer, buffalo, etc. in summer time, but about the brain bestras I am not so sure. My

however is as follows
Mr. Peabody has recently added to the original foundation of the Peabody Institute in Baltimore another half million. and the affair now portends exclusively of a splendid buldgy and to personalities. about 800,000 dollar well invested. The whole