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My dear Sir,

I extremely regret
that my unskilfulness
as a Traveller has put
it quite out of my power
to reply to your kind invita-
tion for Wednesday Evening,
until this late moment.

I find, as I feared, that I
cannot avail myself of
the friendly opportunity ^{offered me,}
since we shall probably
be on our way to Paris

at your appointed hour
or soon after.

I shall hope on my
return from the Continent
to pay my respects to you.

With grateful regards,

R. W. Emerson

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