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My dear Watts

I send you the cheque
for the Surveyors.
Damn & blast
them! And when
you had to do
all the work
yourself after
all!

I answered the
lady's letter you spoke
of. I can just
remember as
a pretty girl may
guess else. Why

She forwards me at
this moment in
I can't tell. The
poem she sends
(prepared on some
sketch of mine)
puzzled me at first
till I spotted it
as referring to a
design by my wife.
It is not bad, but
thoughtful & feeling
rather.

Perhaps I may as
well send enclosed

card against a
in case you need
it. But no doubt
you move with
gradual.

With warm & sincere
thanks
Ever yours
J.R.