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My dear Mr Clark

The arrival of two interesting papers read before the Australasian Society reminds me that I have your letter of January last still unanswerd.

These papers suggest the thought that over all this globe the same questions are being discussed & the same problems arise to confront our social systems.

Some day I hope that you will be able to give us

a fresh illustration of this
by your article on Australasian
Matters for the Annals of
our Academy.

You enquire about
Judge Hale. He has been
abroad for nearly a year
& is not in very strong health.
There has indeed been some
question whether he would
resume his seat on the bench.

We have you just had our
great convention & are now
awaiting the action of
another. Harrison & Cleveland
will again be confronted,
probably with the result reversed.
The possession of power seems
under our system to handicap

him who has it. Nevertheless the politicians continue to receive themselves with the illusion that spoils are a source of strength to them.

The next time when you carry an appeal to Privy Council I hope that you will pass through Phil^d or Topping here give me the pleasure of a visit from your

Yours Truly

Charles Sumner