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Mr. Frank

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I am very much disappointed at not hearing from you. It would certainly seem as though you might take interest enough in matters here to write, or if unable to write dictate a few lines, to let us know how you are getting on. I wrote you asking where the Thompson assignment was, that I gave you with the other papers, but of course have had no answer. Our patent matters are in very bad shape and unless they can be looked after soon, our signed assignments will all go to the dogs. If you are not going to be able to attend to them can you suggest anybody else that can do it? Livingston don't seem ever to get anything

Dear. I rec'd a letter from
Hendrickson recd. yesterday
in which he talks very plainly
about patents, &c. Both Lincoln
and I thought it best to
send it to you for your wife's
opinion and consideration.

Now Frank I don't want
to be quarrelsome or find fault, but
we may as well ~~to~~ face the
fact that unless this signal
business can be worked out and
something done to put it in
better shape than it is now
both you and I are ruined,
and Lincoln who went into
it solely out of friendship for
me will be out fifteen to
sixteen thousand dollars
on it. As it is now the
whole thing isn't worth half
of that amt. Its getting late
and I must close.

Regards to Mrs. P.

Yours J. N. Athol