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Friend Pope

Yours of the 1<sup>st</sup> at hand. I am glad to hear such good news that you are improving, and I do hope you will soon be with us again. These discouragements of mankind are similar to Electric Circuits. a little thing upsets things generally and the things don't rotate

I have been working in the dark with no calculus and am in awful lot of obscure to get rid of. You can find more obscure between here and Drudas than in any Halls relay he ever made. That is to say in dry weather. But I am happy to say I have disposed of obscure so things are



splendid. And the Kennel  
are looking upon the Signal  
more favorable - It is certainly  
a perfect success - and now  
I am changing the batteries  
to winter quarters - The main  
to Sydneyham. the track battery  
buried in the earth - The bells  
are put in the telegraph office  
at the junction and at the  
Dutch house at Sydneyham  
so either man can understand  
when a train has passed or  
is passing - off of the opposite  
End -

Yesterday I called on  
~~Mr~~ - Mir it being the first  
time I have seen him he  
seemed pleased with the new  
arrangement and wished to  
issue orders at once to many  
of them - But will defer it -



until his return from NY  
where he has gone to meet  
the old President (not Grant)  
who is coming out to regulate  
things - They are like a lot of  
chickens when a Hawk  
is hovering over them and  
afraid they will be annihilated  
(It's certain some should be)

I expect to go to Windsor  
this week and regulate things  
there. Mr. Wolfson is anxious  
to have all these arrangements  
fixed up (and so am I)

It's been a tedious  
job - but I ~~know~~ I have  
got something now that  
is reliable and simple  
for the Kennicks and as  
straight as ~~the~~ stick. which  
~~they~~ all carry. (I call them  
the Canadian Horse)



In regard to the new Patents  
of - Robinson and Snow - I  
felt a little worried and did  
think they had got ahead some

I see two other new  
Signal patents issued this  
last week - Prod'homme  
and some other fellow -

I see he has gone into  
the repeating business and it  
looks to me little like an  
interference with us and also  
with Hall - It's a lucky hit  
that Black had those bills  
on hand or I should not have  
been able to do what I have  
done - I stuck clear to my  
Canadian Patent without using  
Duplex - that works well but  
not prompt enough for a  
Locomotive - I expect the laws  
for I.C.R.R. are ready out  
there and I shall put things  
through O.K. and there for the  
Wilderness - This Canadian arrangement  
could answer well there - I have  
some things that have turned up

which I cant explain but  
 are of great importance  
 to us - That is for working  
 Signals -

It may be well to  
 say that the Lead Battery  
 is in excellent condition  
 I must add a about 20  
 pounds in the Pond cells  
 to assist in working up  
 things all I done to the  
 Squor was to fill up with  
 water <sup>to</sup> and start Em off  
 This is about  $1\frac{1}{2}$  lbs per  
 in each Cup - so they  
 will start sometime  
 yet - I shall let me



Here from me again  
where I have the  
knowl on of things  
or I because you  
may not have so often

Hoping this will  
find you improving -  
any communication direct  
to care Geo Black is  
case I should have to  
will forward

Yours Respectfully  
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