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Morgan City, La.

Oct. 6th

1896.

Dear Cammie:

Tell Bryan Coker that I sympathize with him in the loss of his cotton house; but that he should console himself with the fact that he is still living, and that no greater calamity has befallen him. — You will receive by this dispensation of the United States mail, one large comb; such as are in daily use here among the native French People. In the isolated locality of your rural residence you may be lacking this useful adjunct to the toilet paraphernalia; consequently I take the liberty of ~~supplying~~ ^{supplying} your needs in that line. This particular specimen may not be used successfully in the capture of insects of diminutive proportions; but in case of their apprehension by other means, they may conveniently be put to death by impalement upon the sharp teeth on either edge of this comb, which may be observed by even the slightest casual inspection of its texture. In case your wants are already supplied with an instrument with which to adjust the refractory ringlets of your caputal integument; you may then with advantage bestow this one upon your best girl, thereby placing her in position to appear before you in becoming attitudes; and also demonstrating your zeal and solicitude on her behalf, which forethought on your part cannot fail to extradite sentiments of vituperating exotic compunctability from her.

Yours,
G. H. Douglas,