My dear Mrs. Johnson

Pauline tells me that she has written informing you of our engagement and if I wished I might write you I can assure you it gives me one of the greatest pleasures I have ever had to write to Pauline's mother, and I trust that this letter may be a forerunner of my becoming well and favorably known to you I look forward with pleasure to the time when personally I may meet you, for as the mother of Pauline you will ever be to me a dear friend, and if you will allow it I will do all in my power to be a true son to you No doubt it must have been a great surprise to receive Pauline's letter and although I cannot pretend to appreciate your feelings I know you must have some anxiety about the step your daughter has taken, We feel sure that we were intended for one another and our only anxiety now is that you will think the same. Give my kindest regards to Miss Eva and tell her that I feel an introduction almost unnecessary as I have heard so much about her through Pauline In conclusion I would like to state that I fully know what a dear sweet and good girl Pauline is, and it will be my first aim that she may never have cause to regret the step she has taken and the one I hope she will take before long I will try to take care of her just as we all love to take care of what is most precious to us

> Yours Sincerely C.R.L.Drayton

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