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Berkhampstead, Herts  
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My dear Mrs Coates;

I hoped you would come over during last summer but not hearing anything from you or your step-niece, I surmised that you had decided to remain in your beautiful Country.

Then, about a fortnight back, I received a letter from Mrs Gibson with a cheque enclosed which she said was from you



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as a gift for helping to  
check & go through the  
Coates Piano Concerto.

I really must thank you  
very much for your charming  
thought, but please rest  
assured that no idea  
of payment ever occurred  
to me for this small service,  
& any little help I may  
have been was given  
with great pleasure.

Last April I had a bad  
spell, which included  
tearing the ligaments in  
my right knee joint.



I did this <sup>3</sup> on boarding a  
bus on my way home  
from the Conservatoire, &  
it is only since July after  
receiving Physiotherapy  
Treatment, that I have been  
able to walk, & now, I have  
a return of sciatica in  
the left leg, so I suppose  
this is the penalty of  
getting on in years — 61  
last June!

But am as busy as ever,  
& last night gave another  
recital which included  
Debussy's 2nd book of  
Preludes.



On December <sup>4</sup> 19<sup>th</sup>, B.B.C.  
broadcast a recital by  
me at 11-15 P.m. on Home  
Service - I don't know  
what time this represents  
in S.A. but I let you know  
just in case you have a  
set powerful enough  
to get London, & this  
recital is in a series  
called "Music at Night"  
which is very popular.  
Do let me have news of  
yourself & your activities,  
& of your family.  
Are you still painting