Darling Corinne:

My letter must have crossed yours. It was just exactly as you and Alice said. Now, there is nothing to explain. I have been much amused at the fact that my English friends are wholly incapable of understanding the reasons for my view, and think it due to weakness or some fantastic scruple on my part. My theory has been that the presidency should be a very powerful office, and the President a powerful man, who will take every advantage of it; but, as a corollary, who can be held to accountability to the people after a term of four years, and who will not in any event occupy it for more than a stretch of eight years.

You did not send me White’s editorial, but he has just written me a very amusing letter enclosing an editorial, altho I do not think it is the same one.

I send you his letter herewith. Return it to me when you have read it, because I think it is really amusing.

Ever yours,

[Signature]