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I am much obliged to you for your business card, & the pleasure it has afforded me, to know that you have entered into partnership. I know you will do your work well, & please myself therefore with the prospect of your great success.

I wrote your Senior, a few days since at "Mason Mississippi", & hope he will receive my letter, & do not consider my partnership with him yet dissolved, & shall not let go him during life.

Wishing you all happiness & prosperity, I am with great affection

Your obtservt

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