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Morristown N. J. Jan'y 27th 1877

J. M. Chidden

Dear Sir

Some of the 23d is just received. If there is a misunderstanding between M'crowell and myself I do not think I am to blame. I intended to be courteous and thought I was so. But when I asked for information as to changes or amendments he required for a reissue, he informed me that he was not going to tell me - that improvements had been made that would astonish me. But if I would sell my interest in the patent, promised payment 500. cash and a percentage of the profits of a business to be
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I think I understand the value of the patent as well as anyone, and the fact that the Pacific Venture "respectfully declined" to purchase your Father's and Mr. Lowell's interest has no weight with me.

Although the patent has in one sense remained dormant (for which again, I am not to blame) I have not been altogether idle but have experienced a good deal with reference to it and unless a sale is effected, I intend shortly to apply for a patent for "an improved method etc. etc.

As our views are so far apart, that I do not think a trip to New York would accomplish anything. Again, my professional engagements are numerous and existing, and some of them of such a character that I would scarcely be justified in absenting myself from Morristown for one night.

I have this day received another letter from Mr. Lowell, asking me if I would join in an enterprise provided a sale was not effected. I shall answer him by the day's mail, that it would be impossible for me to assume or refuse unless I knew what changes or contrivances are to be made in the patent. As it
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Yours Turly

Sgd Thos Sim.