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If I were to begin life all over again—and marry all over again—the pattern of my life might be changed, but you would still be the center of it all, for there is no other girl in all the world that I would choose for my wife but you. And knowing me as you do now, I hope you'd consent to marry me again. I say—hope—because at times in the thirteen years gone by, I knew I have disappointed you and given you many disappointments. So to marry you all over again in a new life to be relived would be a passionate ambition submerging.
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