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Dear George,

My first resolution today has been to write you a short letter in order to rectify a serious omission last night. In all the talking and reminiscences, and with all the enquiries about each other's domestic state, I neglected to ask you about your mother's health, and about your wife and child, of whom I heard from Kevin Hardie several months ago. Please forgive me for being so neglectful. It is not that I lacked interest. Quite the contrary, as I have often thought about old times and about what you were doing.

I would certainly like to see you again when one is not speaking to so many people at once, and just talk about this and that. Although circumstances have made us follow different paths, and on the surface we seem very different, we have in fact had plenty of attitudes and emotions in common, most obviously so at boogie Bop. Although superficially you have always been a rebel, a man refusing to stand in line, and I must have appeared always the conservative, the conformer, these contrary attitudes are more apparent than real. May I therefore reflect with you over a ~~quiet~~ glass or two some time, even if I cannot share your pipe.

Please give my regards to your family even if we have never met, and may you continue to prosper and increase.

Yours sincerely,

Rodney.