Why does not Rhodora write to me?

(1) [Mar. 16, 1897]

~~16, IMPERIAL MANSIONS,~~
~~OXFORD STREET,~~
LONDON, W.C.

My Darling:

I am so far from being cheerful that I cannot, for the life of me write a cheerful letter. I am thinking sadly and deeply. Alice could you still love me and would you wed me if I returned home a failure? If instead of a laurel to wear I should come back with a grief to share darling would you share

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on the stage.

Will you write to me my Alice and pour out your whole heart to me, for you can do so much to cheer me in my hours of depression.

I hope that you are pleased with the work you are doing and that you are getting on well with it, but I wish you were out of New York. Write me, dear, and forgive me for sending you this grumpy letter.

Tenderly
Your Lover
Paul. (DUNBAR)

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it? all which means that I am quarreling constantly with my manager. She is beastly and I am contracting an awful disposition from her. I may take it into my head to get up and come home. It would be glorious but it would be madness. Then too, I have placed my book with a publisher on excellent terms so I don't much care. Chapman & Hall are to publish the Sketch

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collection of "Yankee Stories" I told you of long ago. I am so afraid that Hopes of my friends have been too sanguine about my success over here, although so far the few readings I have given have been enthusiastically received. Edad the Illness of another child is a constant cloud upon every thing & the Longfellows Lifton Blatchly, and the Norton Sisters have withdrawn to the seaside. I hear nothing but my contracts