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and the way I had started a paragraph, just about in the middle of it, seemed/to be an excellent start for the receipt letter. So I took the last half and revised it somewhat and I think it was fairly good for a receipt letter. But, to have sat down and written this in the first place would have been very difficult for me. I read a book once by Pitkin. He wrote a number of very interesting books on methods which I read about forty ~~xxx~~ or so years ago, and in one of them he said some people think first; then they speak; then they write. Some write first, then speak, then think. Some speak first, then write, then think. That is, people go in different ways. He said, I think it was Dewey, that he said started with speaking. And he said once when he had a bad cold and couldn't talk he was unable to get any work done for a couple of days. Pitkin said he himself tried every possible combination of ~~xxx~~ the order of these three things to see which he was best at, and recommended that each person find out which he is best at. It seems as if it is much easier for me to speak than to think things out. I have Working on my Hermeneutics paper last fall I would go to the lake and walk around the lake and as ~~xx~~ I went I would talk the thing over and I would get different ideas and different insights as I spoke them. Then, when I came home, I would try to rearrange them and put it into decent shape. This is a sort of hit-or-miss way of going at things, and is certainly not the best, but it's the way that my mind works, whether it is an inborn instinct or whether to some extent it is the result of sloppy habits acquired in my young days, I do not know

Up to the present ~~xxxx~~ the word processor is a manuscript processor rather than a word processor; that is to say, I get the material for it I dictate off rapidly the material on Daniel; then I go over it and rearrange it and get a new draft, and when I get a pretty good idea of what I want, then I have been having Mr. Koontz type up, it/~~off~~ and then I have gone over it simply for typographical errors and for form. The word processor, the idea of many who use it is the type is to type out what they want to day and then they rearrange it, change words, move paragraphs around, and so on, to get it as they want it. Perhaps this will eventually be very helpful to use in this way, but up to the present my mind has not worked in that way. The