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Judge Tourgee

Dear Sir

The undersigned <sup>at the request</sup> on behalf of the "Cicero Garfield & Arthur Club" - which sent a delegation of fifty of its members to hear your eloquent & pungent address & that of Gen. Woodford at Mc Cormick Hall on last evening, desires to explain our apparent want of courtesy in withdrawing from the Hall during your address.

We live at Oak Park & Austin (the two principal towns in Cicero Township) on the line of the Chicago & North Western R.R. - 8 & 10 miles west of the city.

Our last train leaves the city at 10<sup>15</sup> we had it held until 10<sup>30</sup> but were obliged to leave the Hall at 10<sup>20</sup> in order to get our train & get home (we asked the "Young Men's Club" to explain it to you). We were all highly pleased & interested in your speech. Our regret more than any our can that we were not able to hear it all.

If you are able to come to Oak Park & give us an address we would promise you a full audience - which would stay until your address was finished. - Thanking you for the many good things we heard from you

Yours Very Truly R. S. Critchell