

ROUND ISLAND HOTEL,

RIVER ST. LAWRENCE.

GEORGE L. DAVIS, MANAGER.



Round Island Park, N.Y. Aug. 14 1887

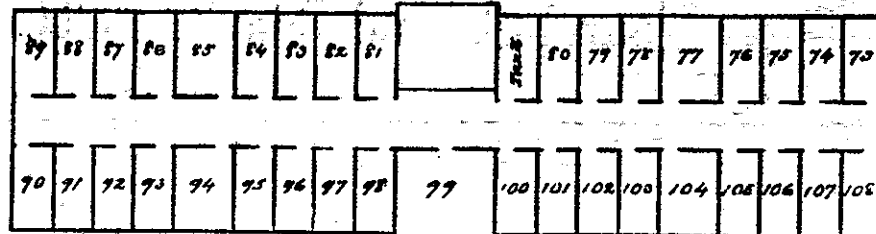
My dear Tourgee,

I have stated to Mr. Briggs, Chm. of Com. that you will either pay the last 50¢ to make the \$1000 from 62, or will lecture in Rochester in behalf of the fund. Your circular I forwarded to him. It seems to me it would be fairer ^{and promise letter for the fund} to you, to chance it on the lecture.

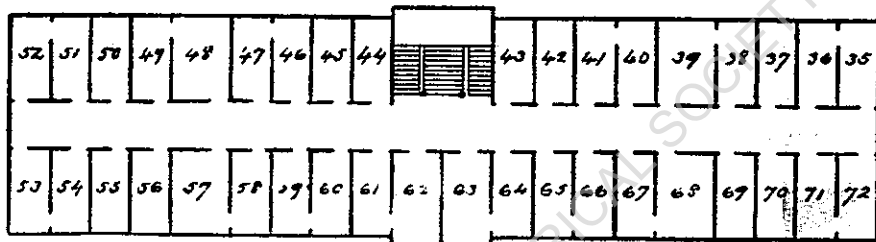
It is a characteristically generous offer. Will you allow me to express a class-mate's fraternal regret that you are at all in a pinch financially, after various literary successes so brilliant? We have long been proud of you, and have loved you too for brave service to great causes, and for the heart you carry.

I have read your letters to the Examiner for a few weeks past with lively appreciation, all the livelier because you don't believe in "Civil Service", and are not a mupwump, like me. But mark this, not all the "Mups" are sickly, as ⁱⁿ the Examiner you hint. I'm growing stout myself.

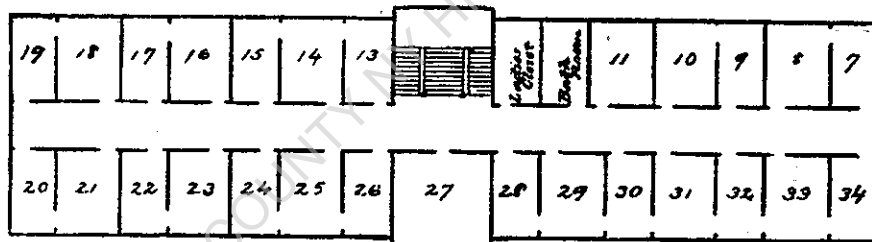
Yours sincerely
Ed. Johnson



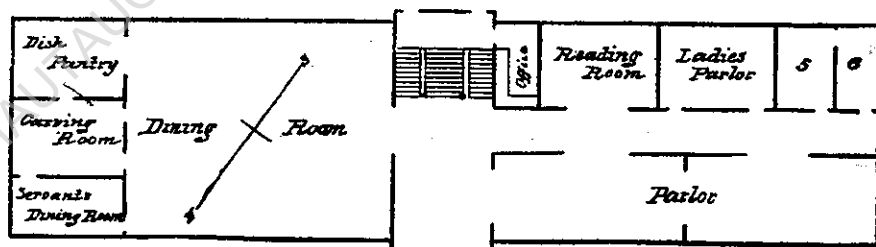
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