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Judge A. W. Toungie  
Mayville

My Dear Sir

A protract-  
ed absence compelled  
me to delay the acknowl-  
edgment of your highly appreciated  
favor in the shape of a volume  
of your new creation "Butter's Dinner".

I deeply regret that pressure  
of duties thus far has prevented  
my feasting on the rich viands  
I know you have prepared for  
us, and my literary mouth  
only waters with the relish of  
the thought of its perusal  
at my leisure. I remain

here and there through the  
attractive pages I catch  
frequent glimpses of those  
master strokes that have already  
justly made the author  
of "The Fool's Errand" famous  
in two continents.

I don't know but that  
in spite of that <sup>75</sup> barrier  
we shall still compel you  
to leave a few droppings  
of your very common sense  
and literary ink on the dry as  
-dust borders of our busy  
among the hills.

Very sincerely yours  
Henry Brown