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Hon. A. W. Tourgee,  
Mayville, N. Y.

Dear Sir:-

The writer's absence is the reason for the delay in acknowledging the receipt of your favor of the 1st inst. We enclose here with a check for one hundred dollars (\$100) to the order of Mrs. E. K. Tourgee, for the first magazine article, entitled "With Gauge and Swallow." It has been impossible for me to bring clearly this matter to the attention of the publication department of the house and to discuss it, and I would suggest that we let this matter remain open a little longer until we can see to what extent these instalments run. Fair business arrangements will undoubtedly be made if it strikes them favorably. In the meantime, you will, of course, consider that the Lippincott's have the first right to publish in book form. We should like the next instalment by the first of next month.

We send by this mail proof of the first instalment.

Very truly yours,

J. M. Stoddart.

Dictated.