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Mr. Tougée

Ever since reading your
"Bystanders Notes" upon Fenimore Cooper
in which you closed with a plea for
love in marriage I have wished to
write you. I have been jotting down
thoughts, that came to me after reading
the inclosed article. I commenced
to gather them together in something
of a form, but find I shall not
have time, ^{to write} till the piece will have
grown old. perhaps you have seen it?
Will you please return ^{all} to me with
your opinion or criticism upon what
I have written?

Respectfully

S. E. Blanchard.

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