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PUBLISHERS,
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Dear Judge,

Your account of the
editorial slip "Eastman" is
true. In regard to the paragraph
in which I yield to my
" (1). moderate inclination to
qualify,"

Your remark that they are
well enough as a criticism,
but of doubtful wisdom in
explicitly a book - or word, &
that effect. You seem to for-
get that the slip was intend-
ed as a "criticism", for
newspapers to print as of
their own notice, and not
a circular, or publisher's
"explicitly" of the book. I did
not wish to send out a slip

Dear Mr. [unclear] I beg to thank you for your
letter in [unclear] I must be called the name of the
book.

So unqualified Eulogistic
that papers would print it, —
"The publishers say, 'so!'"
On the contrary the design is
to make a review so evidently
"impartial" in consideration
of pro & con that the
papers will "slap it in" (as
they habitually do) with all
the divines unqualified state-
ments scattered through it
which set the book forth as
the highest & best they get,
and say it all themselves.

However, I'm an "amiable
Cuss," and I have cut out
about $\frac{1}{2}$ of the original com-
piled slip & put in most of the
newly supplied matter. All
the "Fool & Elements" matter is
out, altho' I thought that quite
a philoaphic comparison
— if you did write it! I am
try'g to spend my last years
pleasing people, without
the bother of argument.*
Yours, F.R.M.

* I probably shan't ever
cut; but I'll have an Editor
do it for me.