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(Dictated)

Mrs. Emma K. Tourgée,
1417 North 16 St.,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Madam:

Enclosed please find three checks, one for twelve hundred and fifty dollars (\$1,250), one for ten hundred (\$1,000), both payable to your order, and one for fifteen dollars (\$15) for your daughter's illustration of the head piece.

We will begin the publication of the story with the second installment, and we think if we had a personal interview with the author that ^{we could make} a few suggestions as to the chronological order of the narrative which would materially assist the reader in ~~more easily~~ comprehending the double motif. We have had this story carefully read by four readers. Three of the four are enthusiastic in praise of the originality and subtle imagination of the author, but all agree that the story can be very much helped by beginning at the 2nd installment, and bringing the substance of the first installment later, so as to preserve the natural chronological order of the narrative.

Wishing both you and your family a very Happy New Year, we remain,

Yours very truly,

Robert B. Inman's Son