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Hon. Albion W. Tourgee,

Mayville, N. Y.

My Dear Judge Tourgee:

I received design for the heading to our new department, by your daughter, and think it very graceful and fitting, and when the last number of The Basis came I was greatly pleased with the introduction you gave me and my new work. I am trying to arrange a scheme of work which, while it takes up the topics of the day as they appear from time to time, will finally work into a steady plan of advancement to the minds of women who read what I write. I am desirous not to make the department too heavy, because that would mean failure. The work must be earnest, vital, and upon lines not too unfamiliar to our readers. I am thinking a great deal about it and its effect, and hope that good may come of it, although it has almost been an article of faith with me to work but not to talk about the work.

Would it be asking too much of you to send a marked copy of The Basis of last week and next week to W. T. Stead, Editor of the "Review of Reviews," Mowbray House, Norfolk Street Strand, London, W. C. I had a letter from Mr. Stead this morning asking me what I was doing, and am about to answer him. I would like to have him see our paper. If you mark the envelope personal he will receive it.

With all good wishes, I am, yours truly, Manchene