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Emma K. Tourgee,  
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Dear Madam:-

In reply to your letter of the 31st ult. we wish to advise you that you have a wrong impression as to the copyright law. You state that the copyright on the Buttons Inn was registered some months ago. Of course, this was on the photograph, was it not? The copyright law states that if a photograph is copyrighted that every reproduction from same bears that copyright, consequently if you copyrighted your photograph of the Buttons Inn, the post cards which we are making from it will bear that same copyright and you will therefore not have to deposit two samples of the cards when completed. We thought we would advise you to save you this trouble and expense.

In case you wish to have a 1908 copyright on your card, this can be done by applying at Washington for said copyright and we will be pleased to take care of this for you in case same is wanted, as we have copyrights going to Washington nearly every day of the week. We will charge you 50¢, which is the regular rate for a copyright application. Kindly advise.

Yours truly,

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*J. H. Kessler*

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