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Dear Mrs. Tourgee:

If the judge catches me writing to you tell him I supposed he was off lecturing and that I couldn't reach him by letter. If we were square at the last trial balance, I think I am ahead of you now, as you will acknowledge when you get today's paper. I have read "Battain's Sun" and like it immensely, as you will see. I was born on the top of the hills, about 4 miles west of the site of the "Sun" and am as familiar with the locality as I am with the Main Street of my own city. Tell the Judge to put it in his next edition that the old light house in Barcelona was

lit by natural gas — 60 years ago —
in the time of his wood. I know
it, as I was there. Haven't you
heard of the "hog's back" a ridge
of ground that descends from the
plateau into the gulf near the
site of Britton's dam? It was a
great place for picnics fifty
years ago. You ought to go
and see it. If you haven't been
to don't go and the fire
went there occasionally.

Please let me know how
the book sells. I am deter-
mined that there shall be
calls for it here.

With kind regards to
yourself, the kids, your
daughter, sister and mother
with whom I became very
much enamoured, I am

Very Truly Yours,

C. M. Nichols.