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Chicago, Oct. 22nd, 1887

Dear Mr. Tourgee,—

I regret that I was not able to see you on the 20th. I have been confined to the house for several days. I intended to speak to you about the hotel bills, I have not charged the hotel bills up in these towns, they make such a serious objection to paying locals, that I would rather pay them myself. I would have lost two or three towns if I had then charge up your locals. I have placed an engagement for you in a course in Great Bend, Kan., and I will figure up so that you will get \$10 more, which would pay for your hotel bills. I have booked you at Salina, Kan., Nov. 14th, \$75 No. Phoenix Nov. 15th, \$75, will offer Great Bend Nov. 16th.

Nothing further at present.

Yours truly,

P. S.—By the way in our correspondence with you for the dates that I made for you, on this trip, the terms were given to us \$75 without locals, and this is the main reason I have omitted the locals. I write this because I received a letter to day from Belviders, complaining to us that they were obliged to pay locals.

Yours truly,

H. L. Slayton

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