



"There must be an international copyright arrangement. England has done her part, and I am confident the time is not far distant when America will do hers. It becomes the character of a great country, *firstly*, because it is justice; *secondly*, because without it you never can have, and keep, a literature of your own." — CHARLES DICKENS (from a Speech).

BOSTON, July 16 1888.

Dear Madam

We are in receipt
of yours of the 14th

Pray consider that
our "fling" at Judge Tougee
was quite unintentional.

We must add that we
do not understand how any
man in his right mind
could have entered into
such an agreement. It
was unwise; a man might
hope to be able to pay a debt
in this way but to bind himself
to do it — never.

Yours truly
Roberts, Bros.

Mrs Tougee