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Chicago, Feb. 4th, 1888

Mrs. E. K. Tourgee,
Mayville, N.Y.,

Dear Madam,—

I write with a view of having you help us out of a difficulty. I made a contract for Judge Tourgee, Mr. Herr and Mr. Bruce in Baldwin, Kan. Mr. Bruce just lectured there, and they were to pay him \$60. They are also to pay Mr. Herr \$60, and the Judge \$80. but it seems that they paid the Judge \$100, and that leaves only \$50 for Mr. Herr and \$50 for Mr. Bruce. I enclose the contract so you can see for yourself what it stands. If the Judge was paid \$100, please send us \$20, that we may pay \$10 to Mr. Herr and \$10 to Mr. Bruce, to make good our agreement with them.

I have a \$100 engagement for Judge Tourgee at Faulkton, Dak., also a \$100 engagement at St. Cloud, Minn. I have fixed March 7th for Faulkton and am working other dates.

Yours truly,

H. L. Slayton