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Judge A. W. Tourgee,

Mayville, N. Y.

My dear Sir:-

I have just returned to New York after an absence of four weeks and find your letters. I am exceedingly sorry that there should have been this delay in replying to them, but as the matter was one for me to decide, it was left until my return. I now have to regret exceedingly that we shall be unable to publish any such series of articles as you offer, as our engagements are such for the coming months that it would be quite impossible to make room for them. It is with special regret that I have to make this reply to your offer.

Thanking you for submitting the series to us, I am,

Very truly yours,

John Eliot Bowen
I return your letter as requested