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Treasury Department,
Washington.

February 26, 1890.

Mr. Albion W. Tourjee,
Mayville,
New York.

My dear Sir:

I am today in receipt
of your letter of the 24th.,
and regret exceedingly that
my acknowledgment of your
former communication was
so carelessly framed as to
imply a sense of irritability
on my part. Nothing
was further from my

feelings and I referred
to the Ellison matter
merely to make my letter
^{more} complete and give you the
present status of the case,
out of which the controversy
grew.

The fact is I appre-
ciated fully the spirit that
prompted you to write, and
you expressed yourself very
clearly, and I also en-
joyed the forcible and
pungent style in which
you wrote. It was a
relief from the diction

of much of my corres-
pondence, and was not
at all offensive.

I assure you that any
suggestions you may think
best to send me at any
time, will be gladly re-
ceived and have careful
consideration.

Very truly yours
Wm. D. Mendenhall