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My Dear Miss Tourgee,

Pursuant to telegraphic request from the D. D. Merrill Co. today, we have shipped to them 73 plates as per proofs which we enclose herewith, and which comprise all that we have thus far received from you.

Reverting to your favor of 8th. inst. I note, that Chap. 19 had been made too large had already been noted and a new plate put in course of execution. With regard to Chap. 22, the reason why it is so small is because your drawing is itself less than 3-1/2 inches wide, and I felt impelled to effect some reduction of the drawing so as to refine the lines somewhat. The other ones that you note as being small were made so for much the same reason, though they might have been kept a little larger, but I thought that they would not look out of place on the page in the size as I directed them. The size of the page given us by the Merrill Co. was 3-1/2 inches, and we have no further advices to the contrary.

I have retained the drawings here pending the completion of the work, and if you finally conclude that some of the smaller plates should be made larger, I will cheerfully replace those that have been made, trusting to you not to entail upon me the necessit of making over more of them than you feel it absolutely necessary should be done. We had a good deal of difficulty in dealing with some of the larger drawings owing to the very great reduction to which they had to be subjected, but have endeavored in all cases to do the best we could.

Sincerely yours,