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74 Fifth Avenue, NEW YORK.

Judge Albion W. Turgis

New York, July 5, 1893.

Dear Sir:

Would it not be nice to change title of "Out of the Sweet Sea" to "Delayed by Fire"? All of our binding dies, ^{for Sweet Sea} were caught in the Alexander fire (which also destroyed all of our Ruskin sheet stock) and although they are doubtless saved, it will be several days in getting them out of the debris. The plates are just at hand and we shall print at once and hope binding dies will be ready soon as needed.

The electrotypers report complete galley proofs were sent you June 5 but only returned a few days since. We send you sample cover showing die for stamping. How do you like it? Please return cover ~~to us~~. Your name will of course go on back just above the ship.

We want to make "Queen of Hearts" about 200 pages so you can best judge of the number of words to the page. We should use a fairly large type and if best can be made in 150 pages
Perkins & Co.