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Judge A. W. Tourgee,

Mayville, N. Y.

My Dear Judge,-

I am in receipt of your letter of the 12th and am very glad to learn from it that you will be able to give immediate attention to the matter of our history. The sooner the work can be completed and put into the hands of a publisher the better I think it will be for all parties. I agree with you that it is better for you to take the correspondence for getting data together into your own hands, rather than to have it parceled out to Maynard and others. No doubt in the end it will be no more work for you than if they undertook to do it and will be more correct. Personally, I do not know that I have any books that will aid you in your work, and my time has been so exclusively devoted to business since the war that until very recently I had almost forgotten that I was a member of the army at that time. Our campaign and personal incidents connected therewith have almost passed from my mind, but I will try to refresh my memory and will undoubtedly see you again at no distant day and we will talk the matter over. Of course I am anxious to assist in this work all that is possible.

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Mr. A. M. Robbins, whose residence is now at Cleveland, Ohio, and who you will remember resigned at Murfreesborough, Tenn., can probably give you more information than I can as to the details and incidents of our Kentucky campaign. As that was his entire experience in the army he will possibly remember that part of the campaign better than those that went through the war. I will write and ask him to give you any information he may have.

The records of the regiment were turned over to the Adjutant General's office at Columbus, Ohio. Whether Adjutant Dickerman has any copies or files that will be of service to you I do not know, but of course you will correspond with him.

As to portraits of Brigade and Division Commanders, I prefer to leave the matter to your best judgment.

As to compensation, I expect to father that until the work is out and into the hands of a committee, and will be glad to make the payments in such a manner as will best suit you. As it makes less bookkeeping, however, I prefer, <sup>not</sup> to remit less than \$100. at a time and will make payments to that extent every two weeks instead of as you suggest. I herewith enclose the first installment, draft of New York payable to your order for \$100.

From all the sources at your command I have no doubt you will

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be able to get whatever information you may desire and regret very much that I cannot assist you as much as I would like to do.

Hoping to see you at our reunion in October, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Geo. T. Pennington