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Hon. Albion W. Tourgee,

Mayville, Chautauqua County, N. Y.

My dear Sir:-

Your esteemed favor of the 24th ultimo is duly received, and while I have no recollection of the sentiment for which you give me credit, I still am of the same belief and still enjoy the same contempt for human angleworms. Your Republicanism and mine is of the same type, for we do not believe in shams and hypocrites and despise the men who are constantly posing for position. However, I am this year more than ever disinclined to mix in the local politics of any County or Congressional District. One can hardly give advice nowadays in matters of political importance without being accused of trying to boss; and as that is farthest from my wish or purpose in mingling in politics, and any expressions of opinion on my part might be misconstrued in your particular locality, I think I had better go to the rear.

Sincerely your friend,

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