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My Dear Judge:

Yours of the 12th reaches me here, where I am trying to gain a little strength. I've been a very sick man. Am writing on my lap, under a greenwood tree, so please excuse pencil, etc. Miss Lowrie's poem interests me. I congratulate you on the privilege of having such a daughter, and am so very glad that she is rightly inclined — that she has the proper reverence for the art that by instinct and example has fascinated her. My love to her as your old and loyal friend. Once a month I give, in The Literary Digest, selections from the current lyrics, & will notice this poem in my next collection, which will be about 4 weeks hence, as I've just sent in copy for the present. Confidentially: When I took hold of The Digest, in December, it was languishing. Under my management it has struck a "boom" — gained 7,000 in circulation. Mr. Wheeler (one of the firm), who had been editing it, suddenly grew proud of it, & put up his name as editor! Had a letter from Stedman yesterday, praising my work. The literary world knows

who is doing the work, so I won't fret.
Oh, Time, thou grand old arbiter! My topical editor has promised to watch The Basis for matter.

With love to you & yours,

Ever faithfully,

John H Boner

I published part of your letter about the "Battle Hymn".

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