The Melrose,
3756 Ellis Avenue, Chicago,
Dec. 29 - 1895.

To each of the dear Tourgée Trio the warmest greetings, and heartiest wishes that 1896 may be a year blessing-laden to you and yours. "The Basis" coming to me via Beirut, tells me you do not yet know that I am this side the sea. So much for not being Presbyterians, and not reading "Woman's Work for Women," or "The Interior."!! Yes, here I am, and here I expect to remain. I left Syria last July. 'Twas a terrible wrench to break away from the home

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the work, the friends of twenty-seven years, and the place where I had so long been essential. To face the uncertainties of the future took no small courage, and courage and faith are still being put to the test. But duty seemed here now, and "He who has led will lead".

My sister Corrie and I are housekeeping in a cozy, convenient flat, where hot and cold water always on the tap, gas lights, and a gas range for cooking, make the work easy. And as she is away after breakfast until in the evening every day except Sunday, I have a good little housework to do and "lonesome" much of the time. I, as yet, have no regular employment. But I have been going and coming much among the churches of the city, by invitation, to meetings of various kinds Home and Foreign Mission meetings, Y.P.S.C.E. etc. etc. Sometimes as a listener, learner, sometimes to speak on Syria. This last especially have I done the present month, as it is the one when Syria is the subject of study and prayer. In this way I have added a little to my means of support; and have been getting acquainted with people who may help me in some way to a position and work.

Is there going to be any thing bringing any of you this way before long? Has "the Judge" any lecture tour before him this winter? Let me give you all a standing invitation to drop in upon us whenever you are in Chicago. I hope it would not hurt your feelings! to stop purposely to visit us, if you were passing through. Our

latch-string is always out, and my have a guest-room. We are easily found. The Cottage Grove and Wabash Ave. cable cars running south from the business part of the city come almost to our door. You can take them any where on Wabash Ave. and come direct to 38th Street. Walk a few steps East on 38th and you are at "The Melrose". In taking the cars, if there is a green car in the rear, do not take it. It will switch off on another route at 16th Street. — And what of Miss Aimee the last three years? The fact that her last letter through all my packings and movings is in hand now among my numerous unanswered letters, of greater or less age, must assure her of the stability of my purpose to answer her sometime. I never intended to drop the correspondence that

interested me so much. I have often wondered how the plans for art-study abroad were developing. Have you been to Paris yet? A daughter of one of my classmates, Miss Margaret West of Peoria, Illinois, has been studying there three years. She rejected to get some of her work into the salon this winter.

When I took out your letter to read just now, out tumbled foreign stamps. Upon reading it I conclude they were designed for you to give your young friend the "queer, pale-faced religious child." So I send them for him, if he is still wanting any such. If I am too late with them you may return them, as two or three here are asking me for them.

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Spring Grove Cemetery
Cincinnati, Ohio, April 24th 1884.

To the Board of Trustees of Spring Grove Cemetery Association and Stockholders of the Same.

Gentlemen:

The undersigned, a Committee appointed by the Board of Trustees of Spring Grove Cemetery Association, to receive and welcome the Stockholders of the Association and their friends, on the occasion of the Annual Meeting of the Stockholders, to be held on Wednesday, the 30th inst., at 10 A.M., have arranged for the accommodation of the Stockholders and their friends, to meet at the Gate House, at the entrance to the Cemetery, at 9 A.M., and to proceed in carriages to the Receiving Tomb, where the Meeting will be held, and from there to the Cemetery Chapel, where the Annual Address will be delivered by Rev. Edward Everett Hale, D.D., of Boston, Mass.

The Committee have also arranged for a collation, to be served at the Chapel, at 1 P.M., for the accommodation of the Stockholders and their friends, who may desire to partake of it.

Should the weather prove unfavorable, the Committee will not meet at the Gate House, but will proceed directly to the Chapel, where the Meeting will be held, and the Address delivered.

The Committee would be glad to receive from some of you soon, and that soon, or later it may be my privilege to welcome you all here, to our Sepulchral City.

Respectfully yours.

Eliza D. Everett.