

170 State Street Albany N.Y.

July 25/97

Albion W. Tourgee L.L.D.

Dear Sir

In reply to your favor
of 22nd : It would afford me
pleasure could I advance your
interests in the matter of which
you write. I have no acquaintance
whatever with the President Elect,
and am unknown to him. I have
been seeking letters from some of
his promised friends for a

Similar applications as your
own for a friend and relative -
having declined to write myself
being a stranger - and feeling
that under these circumstances
a letter of mine would have
no potency.

Mrs. Mc Elroy tells me that her
brother knew you well, and cherished
your friendship. I only have the
pleasure of knowing you through
your interesting books - but the

"Fods Erround" and "Pricks without shau" are
most agreeable memories.

I think you will understand my position
and will know that my inability to meet
your request is a matter of regret to

Truly yours

John E. Mc Elroy

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