To Hon
A W Tourgee
Mayville Mass

(332 Jan., 1896.)

AMERICAN EXPRESS COMPANY,

Woodstock, Ill. May 13 1897

My highly esteemed friend
Your kind favor of the 30th
not duly at hand and I have
delayed replying till now - My heartfelt
sympathy is with you in that
squable for bread & meat for I have
been, and am there myself, but thank
God I have health & business &
a salary that about meets my current

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Expenses & little else to depend on —
What can you afford to write for me three or four verses for "Memorial Services" & can you not write me out one verse & let me work away at it as I have opportunity & see if I can produce something to my liking in the way of music — If I can will go ahead with it & justly compensate you

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for the service — Would that I could
lift for you all your burdens — one
who has so grandly served his day &
generation — Take your time & when
you feel in the right mood give
me the first verse & thank for a
Chorus if it should be deemed best — or
a 6 line verse — May we and our
loved ones meet in glory

Sincerely yours

[signature]

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