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Mr. J. J. Logan
Professional Building
Jacksonville, Fla.

My dear Mr. Logan:

I have just returned to my desk in New York. That will explain, I hope, my long delay in replying to your letter of May 7th.

The advertising matter you sent is excellent, and I am glad to keep it with my notes. The difficulty is that I am not able to use more than one-twentieth of what I gathered in Florida, and even that twentieth is subject to the blue pencil of the editor, who, having started out by demanding long-winded articles, is now curtailing them. This will make it look to you, I fear, that I did not do full justice to all the material which you put in my way. However, it is all Florida, and, on the whole, I think a sympathetic view of Florida, though I find I am getting more than one abusive letter from people who have obviously been beaten or from people about whose development I have not given the space they think they deserved. What they cannot realize is that all I am able to do is to take illustrations which seem to me typical of what was going on.

I have just received the enclosed circular of the Keystone Heights proposed Chautauqua assembly. I think you will find that it is a serious enterprise on a sound basis, and that Jacksonville can safely support it.

I am venturing to send you an autographed copy of my latest books, *The Life of Judge Gary*, just as a souvenir of the courtesies which you and Mrs. Logan extended to me. If I ever go back to your city I shall certainly see you.

Sincerely yours