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My dear Mr. Johnson:

It is very good of you to write me so friendly a letter in regard to the life of Mr. Owen D. Young, which I am hoping one of these days to write. I am still in the stage of collecting material; not ready as yet to talk serial rights, or indeed to plan definitely about publication. I know Mr. Young is, as you say, the patron saint of the North Country. I understand well how this might be. I know that there is valuable biographical material at Canton and I have already arranged to go there in May, though this is not a note for publication, until the University where I am to stay may make a note of it. I shall then call upon you to see the clippings of which you speak and I would like, too, to have a good talk with you. I am sure you would be of help to me.

And thank you for your friendly reference to my work. I hope if I put this through that it will be well done, but I can hardly expect to do anything that will satisfy Mr. Young's friends - even myself for that matter.

Thanking you again for your letter,  
believe me

Very sincerely yours

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