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Louis J. Alber,
Coit-Alber Bureau,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Mr. Alber:

I am enclosing expense account for week. I have put in engagement under the Toronto Bureau and with Mr. Neilson not knowing how you divide expenses. I left my correspondence about terms in New York, so do not know what we exactly settled on last in your territory. You will have the papers there.

We had some correspondence a few weeks ago about my doing a month for you in 1920, February, I think we settled on. I shall have to give it up. My engagements for writing are too strenuous I have an idea, however, that out of what I shall be working on the next year will be the best material for a useful and popular lecture that I have ever had, something fundamentally democratic and appealing to people in general. I'll tell you about it when I see you. This is only to say that I shall have to cancel the February work.

I have been having a hard first week; had to be vaccinated in order to get back into the states at Hamilton; have lost my trunk and have been in a perpetual fever over trains. This is not, however, the reason that I am cancelling February 1921. Did you ask Mr. Morgan, in Chicago, to write his correspondence at the points where I am to appear in their territory about their choice of subject.

Very sincerely yours

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