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Dear Mr. Phillips:

I am very glad that you like the new story. I have been trying to change it according to your suggestions with the result that I have cut out the whole incident of the marketing scene, subject to your approval, and many of the offending "niggers." I have also marked with an interrogation the oath in the fountain. If you would like these scenes cut I will add a corrective

sentence here and there to cover the leak. I will have to trust to your experience in these matters as frequently I only succeed in mutilating my stories when I cut them. This last story is almost without exception true, the broken English literally so. I was thrown with Japanese servants for a year and thought it might interest Western readers. I have to remind myself that Denver is the center of this great country. (You know one of my indignant unknown correspondents reproached me. "Madam, you must live last of the Rockies."

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I wrote Mr. Boyden the other day that I shall be delighted to go to Hull House any time if you can bring any influence to bear that will admit me. I have tried without success before. They have a long waiting list.

I expect to be in Chicago all winter and had thought of some stories of the night schools.

Would an article upon our wonderful playgrounds be of interest? You know we even have paid story tellers for the slums, the slums hungry for

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even Greek myths! ...

Pardon this long letter
in long hand to a busy
editor.

Very truly yours,
Octavia Roberts

I am so glad to be
again in the Christmas
number. I eagerly await the
proof of Mr. Blumenschein's
~~picture~~.

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Chicago. Illinois.

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