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WINTHROP SQUARE,  
BOSTON.

Sept. 17, 1878.

My dear Stedman:

I shall be glad to have  
your Poem in The Atlantic,  
for it seems to me a poem of  
uncommon nobleness, with high  
shyiac qualities. Let me know  
just when you're to read it, as  
soon as you can. I should prefer,  
of course, to have such a poem  
in the January number. I  
suppose you can keep it from  
being reported? We can't  
keep it from being stolen afterwards;  
but we must stand that. — I  
think there could be nothing better

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than your conception of this thing, in  
all its relations to the subject, and  
the execution is equally good: the  
whole thing is grandly and fitly  
beautiful.

Yours cordially,

W.D. Howells.

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