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Hotel Niagara,
Buffalo, Dec. 7, 1887
Dear Mr. Palmer:

I send you my only
copy of The Tribune letter,
but yours much more nearly
expresses my mind. I didn't
know you had written any-
thing, but I wished when
I read what you said
of that Union League
meeting to send you a
stretta di mano. About
courage and nobleness
of heart you showed in
writing that letter in the
midst of the base horro-
rism that weighed upon

more and more wrong.

What a outrage of justice the trial
of that wretched West was! I wish for
his speech and convicted for his book!
The Chicago reviewers were again, what
worse Assembly could there be?

I thank you for what you suggest about
your club. If I come to New York, I'll
gladly think of it.

I believe
kindly return my letter.

Yours sincerely

W.P. Howells.