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160 WEST EIGHTY SIXTH STREET.

My dear Sir:

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Replying to your letter of 25 Nov., I am at present too much occupied with the preparation of my proposed history of the War of 1812, & contemplate any treatment of the Russo-Japanese War beyond a possible magazine article.

In case I should at any

time propose a more serious  
work — which at present I think  
very unlikely — I should natu-  
rally turn to my usual pub-  
lications <sup>in this country</sup>. I by, however, say  
that I very highly appreciate  
your kindness, & the compli-  
ment of offering me the facili-  
ties of your well known firm.  
There is perfect propriety,  
under the circumstances of  
Messrs. Sampson Low, in your

offer to me. Messrs. Low & Marston, however,  
have not had with me direct publishing relations,  
though I have very pleasant personal associations  
with them. Messrs. Little & Brown of Boston,  
Mass., have been from the first the publishers  
of my books, and I have left to them the selection  
of the British agency. All my pecuniary ar-  
rangements have been with them, & I have  
consequently referred to them your letter, so  
far as respects publication in England.

Very faithfully yours

A. J. Mason