

York Harbor, Me.,

July 9, 1912.

Dear Mr. Loring:

I am very gratified by your willingness to make a bibliography of me, and I shall gladly give you all the help I can in a work that must so greatly honor me. But I feel it right to say that I am one of the last men able to tell you about the sales and editions of my too multitudinous books, as you will see from the unhesitant question about.

I wish I could promise to do better, but I cannot.

Yours sincerely

W. D. Howells.