



Debutante Room. Custom House.

New York June 23rd '62

Dear Sir,

My wife has written a novel which was published on Saturday by Carleton, "The Morgesons". I know ^{not} whether he has sent the city papers their copies yet, but I presume he has, or will in a day or two. Being ignorant of the interior of the "I. of C." trouble you with this note, as you perceive, to ask you, if it be not asking too much, to have some notice taken of it. I think it has a good deal of merit, or I would not have permitted it to be published. It is a story of New England life, written in the form of an autobiography - a clear, realistic picture of certain phases of American manners, character and scenery. Of its reality I can speak with some certainty, being myself from New England. Of this, and other matters, however, your critic will judge for himself.

Trusting you will not think me too trouble in this request, I am,

W. C. Prime Esq

Sincerely Yours.

R. H. Stoddard