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Hyde Farm,
Williamsburgh, Mass.
Aug. 12. 1908.

My dear Mr. Thur,

I have just written to the Century Co. asking permission to use your story about Stickeen in a geographical reader I am working on, and I write this letter to arouse your interest in bringing to a greater number of boys and girls this opposite story in case you should hear from The Century Co. about it.

I have read the story to my

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boys and girls each year since its publication and it is always listened to with absorbing attention. They know a great deal about you, too, and your love for trees and mountains and glaciers.

You may be interested to know that the first time I read the story, in 1897, a lady sitting in the back of the class-room, who was a chance visitor that day, told the children that she had heard the story from your lips before it was published. Although I have read it aloud more than a dozen times since then to grown-ups as well as children, I never fail to feel the same thrill of

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excitement and appreciation as at first; its-
geography as well as its philosophy delight-me.

It will be necessary to shorten the
article a little, but - I hope - I shall not
destroy its-beauty if I receive permission
to use it.

Very sincerely yours;

(Miss)

Caroline W. Hutchins

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