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Mrs E Colton. c/o Mr L Shlackman  
150 Prud'homme Ave. Montreal. Oct. 22nd. 26.

Dear Theodore Dreiser.

I write on a chance of you being back in America. And I write to offer you an apology. I knew of course, when you asked me where I am going after Paris, that I will go to Canada, but I had to keep the matter very quiet in order to get in at all. You understand, therefore, that it was not because I did not trust you that I was rather evasive about my next place of pilgrim.

Well, I came in quietly enough and safely, but whether I will be able to remain, is to be seen. I hope I shall not have to move on again, I am dead tired from the everlasting moving on without aim or compass. It has its charms of course, one has no chance to get rusticated; still one does long for a little bit of security. However, nothing may happen here, after all Canada has to recognize British passports, it may recognize mine. I will know after my first meeting which takes place here Sunday Oct. 31st in the Princess Theatre. Wish you could be present.

What I wanted to know is whether you have spoken to anybody about my autobiography and whether you think some one could be found to do the handsome thing, extend the money I will need for two years writing without binding me to a definite date. I do not believe there is a risk for anyone to lose the money unless I die and then the material about E.G.'s life would be worth the sum. Anyway, I should like awfully well to hear from you, perhaps there are a few people who used to claim friendship for me and who have the money who would put up the five thousand dollars between themselves on the basis that they were to be reimbursed the moment some publisher pays the advance royalties. I am sure that would happen if the MS were ready. Anyway, write me your opinion. You were so interested that I feel I am not imposing on your friendship in writing you in the matter.

I understand that "An American Tragedy" has been dramatized and that it is very powerful. How I wish I could see it, or read it. Has it been published? Please write soon.

Give my kindest regards to your wife whom too I should like to see again.

Cordially.

Emma Goldman