

No. 2667 Morgan Street,

St. Louis, October 27, 1882.

My dear Mr. Bigelow:

I have read with very great interest your (in the main) excellent article on "The Railway Invasion of Mexico", in the October number of Harper's Magazine, and hope to have the satisfaction of reading an equally able and instructive essay from you, a few years hence, on The Railway Invasion of Central and South America. As a means of supplying you, in advance, with a seal or so of points, — if you will kindly accept them, — upon the

latter subject, I herewith in-
close to you a copy of a me-
morial which I have just
published and addressed to the
Congress of the United States of Amer-
ica, in advocacy of the projected
intercontinental highway; and, after
reading the memorial, if you
should desire a copy of the volume
containing the five prize essays,
wherein may be found an elaborate
elucidation of the enterprise, please
advise me of your wish, and I
will at once have the pleasure
of mailing to you address a copy
of "The Three Americas Railway."

Heartily Congratulating you upon
the fact that the downfall of slavery
throughout the United States, to which
heroic and war-glorious event you your-
self had the honor of largely contributing,
has not deprived you of your enviable
occupation as an eminently powerful
writer for the Right, I am, my dear sir,

Yours, very truly,
Hon. John Bigelow. Hinton R. Keeler.