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I judge your letter of June 6 was duly received, and I took an early opportunity of seeing Bowser in relation to its principal subject. He had told me before, that he regretted having made the offer, and communicated to you, and I was therefore not surprised when he declined to accept the modification you propose, and in fact to entertain the matter further. He says the sacrifice of time & convenience would be quite too great, and that he is not willing to undertake new commissions, unless under very special circumstances, until all his present engagements are fulfilled. We must therefore abandon the hope of any thing from him, and content ourselves with a home-made statue. I presume some of our young sculptors of fair abil-