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My dear Turgie,

Enclosed please find a letter from Howard, and I also forward the proofs, as I suppose, he mentions. Success to the work, I saw his letter.

I am authorized to ask you to deliver half a dozen lectures, or five anyway, upon "Legal Ethics" in the Buffalo Law School. We desire you to fill the chair as Prof. of that subject. We are deprived as Justice Charles Daniels, Judge Charles Beckwith, Counsellors Spruce Clifton, George Clifton, John G. Milburn, Tracy Becker and Adelbert Noot, Charles Norton and E. Corning Townsend.

We have no endowment except brains, energy and opportunity. We mean to have a first class two years course and post graduate course of one year. We believe in lawyers who are so trained that they do not become mere commercial agents but know ~~know~~ something of duties to the State. Your Chautauque course has attracted our attention and we wish you success there. While lectures to lawyers would be different, I suppose, yet the idea is there. There is no salary, except expenses, attached to any chair, except that of the body

of Commercial law, ~~who~~ and the man who fills that
chair will need to give it his full time, & we pay
that whether students pay it back or not, the
School is attached, nominally, to Niagara
University, a Catholic institution, but there is
not a Catholic lawyer among us, and we
shall be a law school, not a theological school,
You can lecture when you please - and as you
please, and draw upon me for expenses, I shall
consider it a great personal favor if you can
find time to lecture, knowing your many other
engagements; and we all feel the same way
about it. We mean to establish a school that
shall be a credit to our town, county, and ourselves,
We are not trying to catch premiums thereby; it is not a
commercial venture, the prospect is bright, if you
don't know about it don't say no, but come down and
meet these men, and talk with me, then you will
say yes.

I am in haste and must close, Regards
to your household; bring the madam with you,
Your friend,
Adelbert Moot.