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My Dear Friend, Judge Tourgen.

Your kind greeting of
Dec 26. received and
highly appreciated

Perhaps the Berea
matter is too local for the notes -
but the friends of liberty & equality
in the East, whose money built
the school ought to know how it
is being used. It is the same
thing the "white Republicans" are
doing in the South. I ordered sent
you the Lexington Standard, containing
recent articles. I have a dozen or
more articles, by myself and
others, pro and con - and

running back through the last year, but I will not burden you with this mass of matter until you see the gist and decide whether it is judicious to expose to the public this outrage in the house of our supposed friends.

I enclose the supplement which drew out the articles ordered sent to you.

I am happy in the thought that you continue vigorous and able to keep actively engaged in the great reform to which God has evidently called you. Ever Yours Sincerely J. T. Robinson

P.S.

Personal

I wish to say to you
judge, that I did not get
any reply from you rela-
tive to my questions about
a position in connection with
the Basis. I concluded
that you did not see any
thing promising, is why you
said nothing, or was too busy.

I put in the last six months
on the Berea case, for fees sake
first, and principle second.
and would have succeeded
had not the \$50.000 boom come
in just in time to overshadow
every thing and cover part of the
faculty, ready to bolt against ~~that~~
They think they can down him

next year, and all are sure
that the Trustees will drop him
if they can't raise the \$150.00. on
the other hand. I am certain if
it is raised his policy will stand,
and its ostracisms will gradually
shut out the Colored element, already
white & colored students - have drawn
apart, therefore, it is right (as a last
resort to hold the College), to tie it up -
as it certainly will be if the facts are
made known. I want you to do it
or help (for you can) for you are authori-
tying the world over on injustice to the
Colored people. I have opened
the eyes of many - even trustees, and
now ready to leave Ky., I am
inclined to seek a mild climate for
the lungs - Any assistance or advice
from you will have the weight of a
father's interest in a dutiful Son, with
the highest sentiments of devotion and
affection I am faithfully Yours J. P. Robinson

Berea College Reporter.

SUPPLEMENT.

Berea's Invitation is to All.

BEREA COLLEGE furnishes a first class education,—industrial, normal, musical, collegiate—the best combination of advantages to be found in the country. Board and room and fuel are furnished at cost, and the tuition is free; each student receives for nothing instruction which costs from twenty-five to one hundred dollars a year.

This education is a free gift to the people. Whosoever will may come. The school began with only white students, but since emancipation, in the face of ridicule and reproach, Berea has extended its welcome to the negro as a man and a brother, thus giving superior training to many colored youth, and encouraging the whole advance movement of the race.

In spite of this service, far greater than that rendered by any other school, and the very greatest which could possibly be given, Berea is now being denounced and misrepresented by certain colored people.

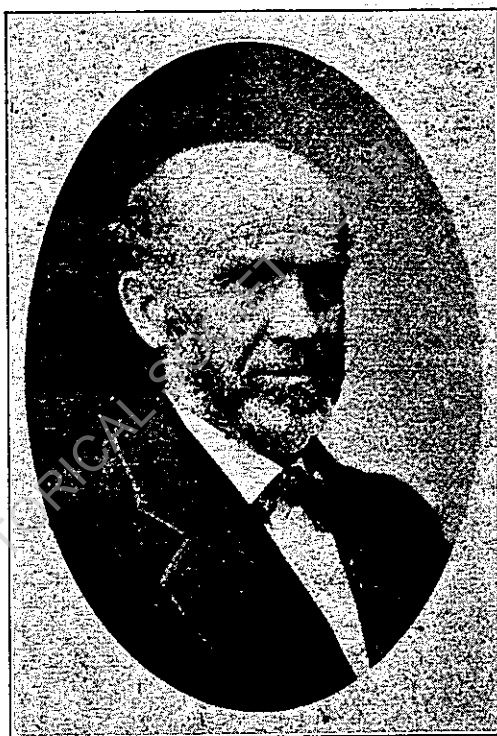
There is no danger that Berea College will be hurt by these misrepresentations, but there is danger that the colored people and their cause will be hurt by them.

The friends of the colored are surprised and alienated by this exhibition of ingratitude and folly.

The agitators accuse President Frost and Mr. Barton of desiring to diminish the num-

ate of the College, white or colored, was asked to assist in inviting young people to Berea. Mr. Barton did more than anyone else, lecturing and sending out circulars, without compensation, and in large part raising the money for traveling and printing. He worked largely in his own neighborhood. But he has sent more colored students to Berea than the men who are attacking him.

A sensible person may see the whole matter at a glance. Just fix your attention on these three things:



REV. J. G. FEE.

First, The colored students at Berea are well treated and doing well. They make no complaints. Colored students are elected to offices in the literary societies, etc., by the votes of white students, every term. The agitators have tried in vain to make the young people of color, now at Berea, discontented.

Second, If President Frost really desired to get rid of the colored students at Berea, as the agitators say, he would desire no better helpers than these very agitators. He would simply keep quiet and let them draw away the colored students. Instead of this he has put advertisements in the colored papers, and is sending out the REPORTER, and in every way inviting and encouraging all young people who wish to make the most of themselves, to come to Berea.

Third, If you wish to stay away from Berea, or keep your child or your friend away, you will not be hurting the College, but you will be hurting yourself.

It is time for the friends of race progress to stand together, and to make the most of every educational advantage within their reach. Berea is struggling with the hard times. One professor is now absent on leave to save the College expense. But Berea College, with Fee and Frost at the head, is marching on. Every colored youth is invited to share her present educational advantages and her coming glory.



PRES. WM. G. FROST.

ber of colored students, and yet they are themselves doing all they can to prevent colored people from attending Berea! Thus they are hurting not the College, but their own people.

What is this movement of Pres. Frost and Mr. Barton of which complaint is made? It was time for Berea to grow, and in a country where there are six white people to one Negro it is absurd to expect that attention will be confined to the colored people. Every gradu-