

Mayville, N.Y.

Oct. 16th, 1906

Tuesday a.m.

Genl. J. Murphy,

U.S. Consul,

Ordeaux

France.

Dear Sir: Your favor of Sept. 7th -
mailed the 2nd of same month, -
was rec'd by me in Trinidad, Canada
enwards from Manville. - He has
just returned from a lengthened tour
in the King's dominions, which was my
birth place.

Thanks for the addresses and informa-
tion for which I asked. -

I have heard nothing from Mr
Trickett. He knows very well that
the 1000 francs he mentions as having
paid me, has nothing whatever to do
with the Clerk's bill of \$5.40, - which as I said
provisionally was for the ad interim, - from
the beginning of my note & how too I
charged the office, and Mr. Trickett
was entitled to the Clerk's bill. - For the

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to him for which he paid me
the cost of the clerk-hire
was divided with him. I made
out all the same accounts for Mr
Erico, he doing nothing whatever
with them but signing his name. -
I had done more Clerical work
in the Executive all the year, Mr
Erico was there, he receiving the
pay for my work - I receiving
no reward for it except the satisfac-
tion that it was done, well done, - and
on time, - which was exceedingly
problematical if it had been left
to him. His own husband's death I was
duty appointed Clerk and received for
the day, - which Mr. Erico could
not receive, getting the pay of the
Census. - All of this Mr. Erico is
perfectly well aware of. - I shall be
in Washington shortly and shall go
in person to the State Department and
state these facts, - if I do not hear
from Mr. Erico in reasonable time
after the reception of this letter by
you.

I was rather amused than other-
wise at your report of the "jumble"
and lack of system you found in
the Bordeaux warehouse on
a summing charge of the same.
Monsieur Trousseau thought his way of
keeping records, and "system", was about
perfect, but he was probably was an ignorant
comparative with your superior ability.

Of one thing I am very certain,
no invoice of goods was ever left un-
signed by him for 6 weeks after being
deposited in the Consulate, - so was
that of my household goods, - which
was deposited with you Sept. 9th, 1905,
and signed Oct. 28th, 1905. This delay
caused me ~~the~~ any amount of
trouble and expense and loss of sev-
eral hundreds of dollars. The goods
arrived in New York with nothing to identify
them, as the invoice was not signed
in Bordeaux until after the goods
had reached N.Y. It was well that
I was only the widow of the late
Consul, instead of an exporter to the
U.S. - or this might have been a

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matter of serious moment. - You
were doubtless too busy perfecting
your "system", to attend to ~~the~~ ~~or~~ ~~comin-~~
portant matter of signing invoices. -
A report of this nature on your
part and consequent ~~loss~~ worry
and loss to me. - My goods not
reaching Washington until the end
of Dec - was prepared for the State
Dept. at the time. - but was never pre-
sented by me. - from sure amiability
on my part, - seeing no result
good to myself and only embaras-
ment to you.

I trust you will see to it that
Mr Ericot sends me the \$70. - or
once, also the memorandum
of our personal dealings, which
he has perseverently neglected doing.
You can always address me
at Mayville. If absent my mail
is forwarded without delay.

Respectfully
Emma F. Tougee