

Washington Feb. 25. 1873

My dear friend Tenney,

Your letter of the 4th has been to Raleigh, to New York, & has reached me this morning. I thank you for your very polite invitation, which it would have given me pleasure to accept. But I was unable to go to Raleigh. I was detained here by business pending before Congress, which was at the time in no condition to be left. I have been here five or six weeks in all, & am glad to see the time of release coming.

I have not forgotten meeting you in New York in 1865 when you were on your way South, & the news of your promotion which news & then has reached the ears of your teachers & friends, has seemed like dreams.

I know your mental activity & power of adaptation, & I trust you have been able to keep your intellectual development, & your special studies in full career with your progress in

Official advancement.

Very truly,

Yours

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