



127 Vinton St

Brooklyn, N.Y.

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My dear Judge -

Yours of 15th with real sympathy

I am truly thankful for the "character"
you have given me - and the more
so as it is given without my asking
for it - thus far I have had no want
of such a thing but it may still be
useful to me - I also thank you for
your offer to assist me - I have
managed to keep myself above water
thus far - don't know how long I
will be able to do so - I have made
a little speculation in bonds - and
have sold some cigars and made a little
on them - made \$250⁰⁰ profit & got today
just about what I spent - I think that
if it was not such infernally hard

times that I could do pretty well
in the cigar trade, - I have quite a
number of customers and a great many
more have promised me their orders,
I get 10 per cent. commission on all
sales. I cannot say that I fancy
selling cigars but anything is
better than standing - I have had
a chance for a situation but have
been trying to get some agencies
and if I can do so I prefer to be
my own boss. I feel almost confident
that I shall at least get one agency
from a spoke man of Co. but still am
not certain of that - Dunlop of the
old D. & S. Infanta, has rented a large
building on Beekman St. and told me
this P.M. that if I wanted to store three
hundred that he would take them and
not charge any storage. I had an
offer from a party here to buy out
the stock at 118 Chambers St at 50%

60 days - I submitted the matter to
W.D. and they said "instead of sixty
days say cash and offer is accepted"
I could not get cash - Stottwell offered
50% - @ my note and would not
make any better offer - he knows the
stock has to be moved by 1st and
thinks if I do not sell it before that
time that W.D. will consign it
to him - and he thinks he can make
more out of it - Green also thinks
that it will be consigned to him
and he will consequently not make
any good offer for it, I wrote to W.D.
tonight and explained the whole matter
to them and asked them to let me
take the goods to Dunlop and that I
felt certain of realizing more for them
and also for me - than would be done if
they consigned them to Stottwell. It would
be about like it was when we were
consigning goods to Stottwell, he would

and his own goods in preference to
ours. ^{and} Matthew acknowledges that
- he has the same kind of goods in
his stock that we have in stock here.
and if once these goods will lay in
his cellar until he sells his own
the same would be true in regard to
Green. But you know what kind
of an old pirate Matthew is ^{and}
Gaugnor is with him now - I hope
you will let me take them -
Please say to Millie that the best wish
I can make her is, that her
married life may be as happy as
mine has been - I say the advt. of
the sale of the N.C.A. factory &c in the
"New North Star" - that is all I heard
about it - I also say your advt. - which
do you propose doing - going to sell all
your piece - while when you can ^{and} I
will do the same - Kate yours in regard
to all
Yours as ever - E. H. H. H.