

Washington DC June 27<sup>th</sup> 1889

My Valued Friends

As you will see I am here, and to a man like you it will take but one guess, to tell my business. I am of course after office, On the night before I left my humble home on the banks of the Swanton river Long P.O. Bencombe Co. N.C., I had a conversation with (a long ways the better half of my partner's wife) my noble wife and in speaking of those who lived words of Mason & Dixon line that would I knew assist - she said I have often heard you speak of your friend Judge Tourgen I at once placed your name with E. Gov. Long of Mass. Walter C. Harriman son of Gov. Harriman of New Hampshire and when I came here at once enquired your address and was informed that you were west of the Rockies returning and until to day had given up having

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Your valuable aid.

When I write you I know to whom I  
am writing.

Will you do me the very  
great kindness to write me a short  
and as strong a letter as you can  
conscientiously write asking the Hon  
Mr Windom to give me the place of  
National Bank Examiner. Col Sam  
McDonnell Tate of Morganton Bank  
Co etc now holds the position. You  
know him & J. Hon W. Lacy of  
Michigan is Comptroller of Currency  
and has the appointment to grant.

As it Judge please say that the last  
time you & I went was at the dedica-  
tion of the graves of the 14000 Union  
Soldiers graves at my native town Satis-  
bury NC at which place in my  
humble way and with a true Union  
devotion and in memory of their  
gallant deeds not only to spread

flowers over their graves but in the presence of those that despised the Union, had eulogized their deeds in addresses from year to year.

Do give my warmest regards to your lady, and to the little girls (now I presume a grown lady) that was with us that day at Salisbury N.C. Tell <sup>her</sup> that I have not forgotten her.

I would not ask this favor at your hands did I not know that you had always looked upon me as a friend of yours during your stay in the Old North State. Which was the truth. Address me 416 6<sup>th</sup> St. Washington D.C. as early as day as convenient.

As ever your friend  
Thames, T. B. Long