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Commissioner of Pensions,

Washington D. C.

My Dear Sir: Osborne Hunter,

a colored man of my acquaintance has been employed in the Pension Office for nine years. - He is an educated man. He is a gentleman of culture and refinement. I learn that he is very skillful in the duties that are assigned him as Examiner.

He seeks promotion to the position of Principal Examiner. I am satisfied that he is thoroughly qualified for the position he seeks and I am satisfied of another thing: that if this Republican administration doesn't recognize the colored people, it will come to grief. I am satisfied that our recent defeat in Ohio and Iowa is in some way attributable to this cause.

Here is an opportunity to promote a most worthy, deserving, competent, and qualified colored gentleman. Will you pardon me if I urge your favorable consideration of this case?

Yours very respectfully

Elijah A. Morse

M. C., 2^d Mass.

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