

24 Court Dale St
Colorado Springs
Colorado.

October the fifth.

Dear Judge Torgie,

You once told
me that the saying
"advise in cheap" must
have been uttered first
by an extremely feeble
minded individual;
you said in the same
letter that you would
assist me when it lay
in your power to do so.
We both knew that
that time was sure to
come for you have in-
fluence & I have none;

& I cannot help wondering whether I am innocently begging something which it will be as difficult to furnish as advice is, when I implore you to give me a recommendation for a situation I have applied for?

Not a recommendation as to my proficiency in drawing & painting, (I have no right to ask you to speak where you know not where of you are speaking,) but simply a "character" if you can conscientiously write me

one; - & your daughters who know me better than you do, will, I think, vouch for my being "steady, sober, & honest."

All this means that President Floren, of the Colorado College, has been most cordial in response to my application for the situation of drawing & painting teacher in that institution, - but wishes credentials before he can place my application before the board.

The place is not an especially valuable

one at present, but I am extremely anxious to get it, & hold it for better things to come.

Your name would aid me so much in the matter, that, remembering your former kindness to me, I could not resist writing to you.

Did I not feel fully competent to fill the position, I assure you I should not ask you to subscribe to my application.

Do you think it would be worth while for me to ask Miss Hartman for credentials? - I do

not know her approachability - she seems very strict with the pupils at the school; - & yet my progress in the work I was doing there was apparently very satisfactory.

Please pardon the amount of "ego" in my course - & also my trespassing thus upon your time.

- Miss Turgie is probably happy in her work at The League, by this time, - I hope my letter of a week ago has reached her safely. With kindest regards to you both, I remain
Your sincere friend
Carrie O. John Hopman.