

Tougee Club

2926 Dearborn St

Chicago Ill.

Alton. W. Tougee

Dear Sir

Nearly one hundred young colored men of this city have organized themselves into a Club. Which they have been pleased to christen The Tougee Club.

In appreciation of the grand work you have done and are still doing for the good of our people.

Our purpose is literary advancement and social intercourse. And to help as best we can in the work you have so earnestly engaged in for the Liberty of the American Negro.

Our house opens Tuesday June 6<sup>th</sup>  
Very Respectfully yours  
Philip R. Miller President.

rain in the  
future and must  
look in their  
of liberty for the champions  
tomorrow.

How that the Chicago  
Luter = Olan has suspended  
the bystanders, notes a there  
is, I believe, no such thing  
as a terminated and per's  
sistent advocacy of  
equal rights of all citizens in  
any newspaper published  
by a white man in the  
States.

The motto for liberty and  
right might best be further  
as the power the stronger the  
please freedom any seeing  
discourtesy, which was not  
only abundant  
but abundant.

By some means or other  
this letter slipped out of sight  
and my secretary insists  
has not been answered.

I have an impression  
she is mistaken but as she  
is by far the better half  
of our domestic firm, &  
[dear with descent]

[I have been absent some  
of the summer and over-  
worked the rest, so she is  
probably right.]

I am very glad  
that my name is shown by  
a clerk of young colored  
men seeking self-im-  
provement. Strangely enough  
I begin to feel almost lonely  
as an advocate of freedom,  
and justice in our land,  
but ~~the young men of the~~  
colored citizens will have need  
of all ~~the~~ strength they can use