



State of New York,

Treasurer's Office,

Albany, May 1 1894

Hon. Oliver W. Foulger

Mayville, N.Y.

Dear Sir;

I am meditating a Civil Rights clause for the Constitution of this State, to be presented to the Convention which convenes here on the 8th of the month, I venture to bespeak your kind offices in the matter, and to ask your assistance in the preparation and drafting of such article or amendment. Will you put me in possession of an early reply, and inform me whether or not you will be able to give your time and talents to the work? I am aware, that <sup>it</sup> looks very much like



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imposition to ask you, who have spent so much of your time and treasure in pleading our cause before the great Tribunal of the civilized world, to spend more of them in doing that, which you may think, we ought to do for ourselves. But I assure you, my dear sir, however imperfectly repaid your efforts in behalf of the Negro have been, they are highly appreciated, and affectionately remembered. In my melancholy moments, I sometimes am inclined to the belief that my chief and only pride in belonging to the race, is that we can claim such loyal friends as yourself.

Yours Respectfully,  
Charles W. Anderson