EXECUTIVE MANSION, WASHINGTON.

May 7,1897.

Dear Sir:

The President has requested me to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the fourth instant in behalf of Hon.H.

C.Smith, and to say that it has been brought to the attention of the Secretary of the Treasury for consideration.

Very truly yours,

Secretary to the President.

Non. Albion W. Tourgee, Mayville, N. Y.