Navy Department,

Washington, May 25, 189 7.

Dear Sir:-

Replying to your letter of May 22, in behalf of Mr.A.J.

Porter, it gives me pleasure to inform you that Mr.Porter, upon the recommendation of the Equipment Officer that he was best qualified for the position, has been promoted from copyist at \$3.26 per diem to clerk at \$1200 per annum in the department of Equipment at the New York Navy Yard.

Very truly yours,

Secretary.

Mr. Albion W. Tourgee,

Mayville, N.Y.