

Eugene Ware correspondence

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This is a series of correspondence to and from Eugene Fitch Ware (1841-1911). Ware moved to Fort Scott, Kansas, after the Civil War and became employed at the Fort Scott Monitor. In 1879, Ware began the first of three terms in the Kansas State Senate. During his terms of office, Ware introduced bills concerning railroads, life insurance, militia, and relief and support of the poor as well as bills of a more local nature. Ware moved to Topeka in 1893 to become a partner with Charles Gleed and his brother, James, forming the law firm of Gleed, Ware and Gleed. In addition to journalism, law, and politics, Ware used the pseudonym, Ironquill, for his literary and poetic achievements. His works include "Neutralia" and "The Rhymes of Ironquill". For a complete contents list of the papers of Eugene Fitch Ware, see the External Links below.

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William Sears.)

Wm R.Sears ,& wife,)Warranty.Dated Oct.8th.,Nov.9th.,1953.
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I.B.Alverson.)

Wm R.Sears,) Mar.5th.1855.
3. To I.B.Alverson.)

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THE UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS.
RHETORIC
AND ENGLISH LANGUAGE.
E. M. HOPKINS.

Lawrence, Kansas, March 1, 1899.

Hon. E. F. Ware.
Dear Sir:

I am anxious to see Mr. Neal's application for a fellowship at Princeton succeed, as in many respects he is one of the most brilliant students in English that I have known while here. I speak not only of high standing and thoroughness in original work, but of his literary ability and style. He has written some creditable verse (although I fear the average committee might not estimate him more highly on that account, it certainly is creditable) and more creditable prose; and I expect him in time to make his appearance before the public in literature. At least, he gives great promise in that direction. He is now doing graduate work in this department, and acting as assistant instructor in rhetoric, showing in this way also especial capacity and thoroughness; his ambition being to make college work his profession. I believe him fully worthy of any good word you may be willing to say for him on the basis of this information. I shall of course myself write him a letter giving a detailed statement of what he has done.

Very sincerely yours,
Edwin M. Hopkins.

His application is for a newly endowed English fellowship

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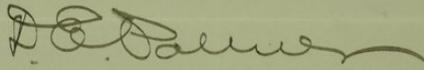
TOPEKA, KANSAS.

March 2, 1899.

Dear Mrs. Ware:-

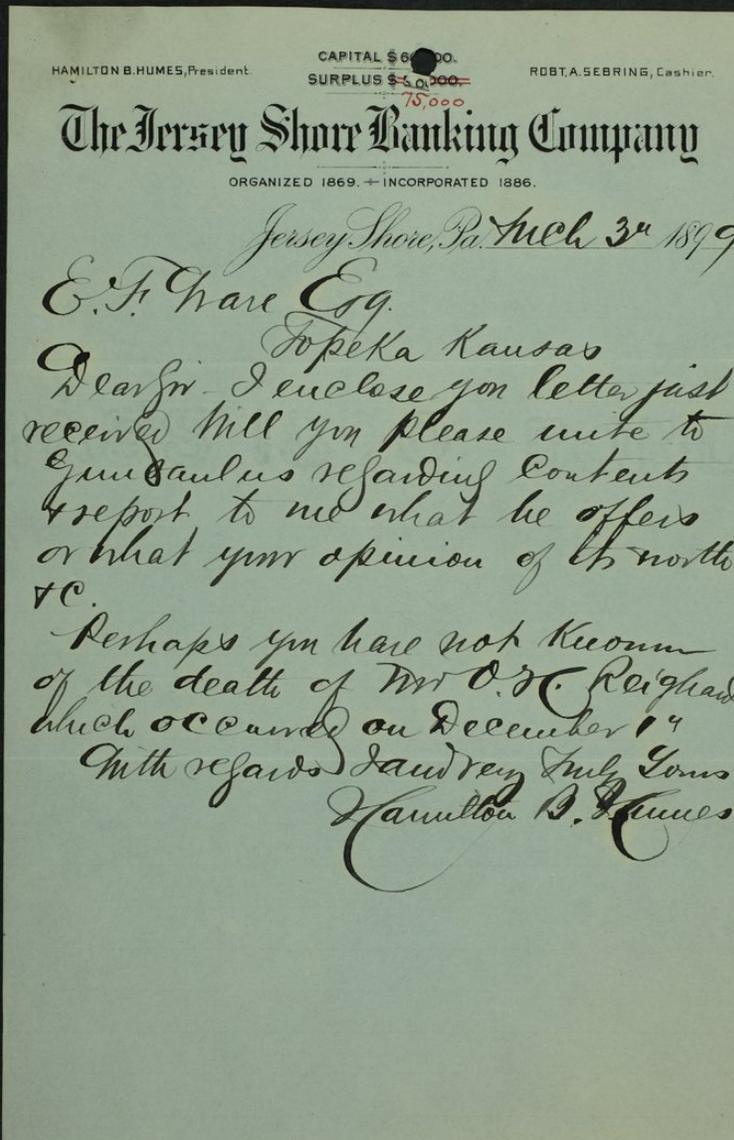
I opened this letter by mistake with Mr. Ware's mail. The enclosed is a copy of the letter it contained. I have written Mrs. Gunn that you are out of the city and will not be back for some time and, as she requested you to return the letter if you did not care to act in the matter, I thought perhaps it would be best to return it to her at once so that the chain would be preserved.

Yours,



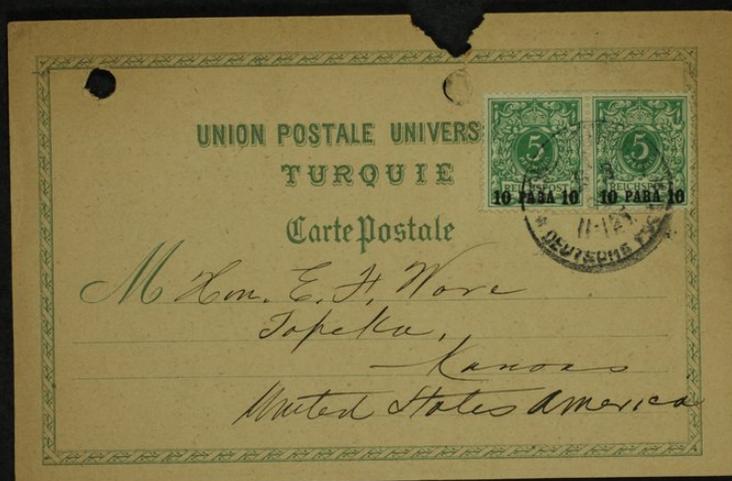
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Mankato Ks. March 4th, 1899
Hon. E. F. Ware
Topeka Ks.
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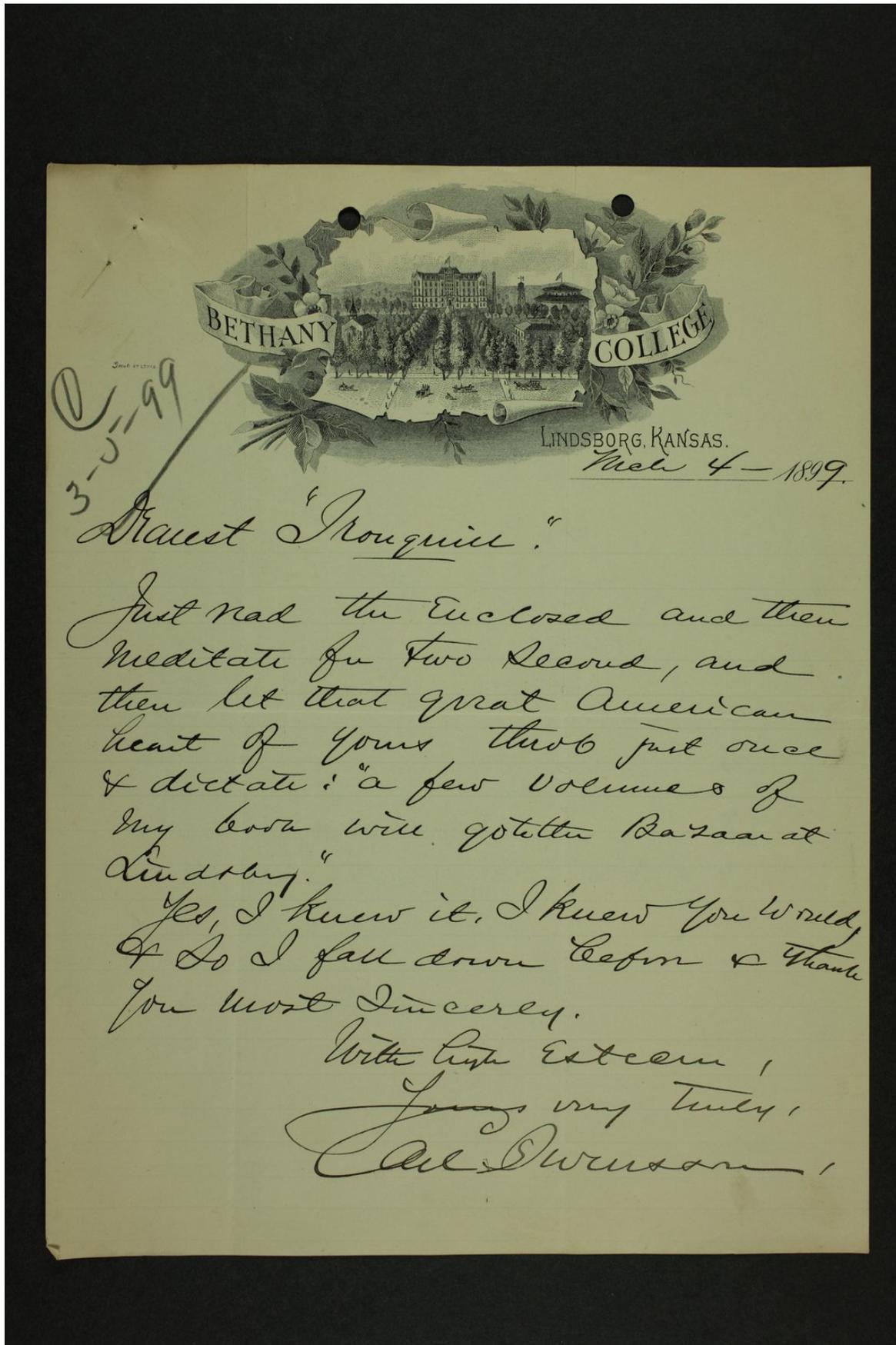
Since writing you I see that a Mr Thomas Hancock of Olathe has been appointed in the place of Mr Gresham on the S. H. Board he is a stranger to me as also are the other two new members of the board I thank you very much for your favor in writing Mr Geo Burton in my interest and I thought if you got home in time you could do me good with Mr Hancock also. Mr Geo base came up from Topeka last night and told me today that he heard while there that Mr J. A. Davis had said that "probably Mr Churchill would be appointed Commandant and I would be offered some minor position

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as Mr Churchill was a candidate for
Adjutant-General of the State, and failed
I presume he is now willing to take
the place as Commandant of the Home
he may be a better man for the place
than I - that fact is to be tested I am not
the one to say but all three members
of the Board are from ^{the} South East-
part of the State Jewell County has had
but one appointment as yet. And Repub-
licans up here think we deserve more.
I have asked for the one place and if
after the Board have investigated and
find I am a suitable person for the
place I do think my claims ought to
take precedence of One who asked for
a better place & failed. but I am a
Republican and not a chronic office
seeker I will abide the result as cheerfully
as possible. - I need not repeat my
gratitude for all you have or may do
in my interests but I mean it - all the
same Very sincerely &c.
E. J. Vance

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W. E. WOOD, Clerk.
J. ROBERT GILLAM, Deputy.

OFFICE OF
County Clerk, Sumner County,
Kansas.

Wellington, March 6, 1899.

Hon. Eugene F. Ware,
Topeka, Kans.

Dear Sir:

The Pharo Literary Club of this city in their studies have for their next meeting, March 17, the subject, "Kansas Literature." Mrs. Wood, who is a member, has been assigned to write a biographical sketch of "Strongmill", and finding no such sketch in your published works which we possess, I take the liberty to ask you for data relating to nativity, ancestry, educational advantages, etc.

Thanking you in advance for any information you may have the kindness to furnish, I remain,

Very Truly Yours,

W. E. Wood.

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Olathe Kansas
Mar. 6, 1899.

Hon. E. F. Ware.

Dear Sir, -

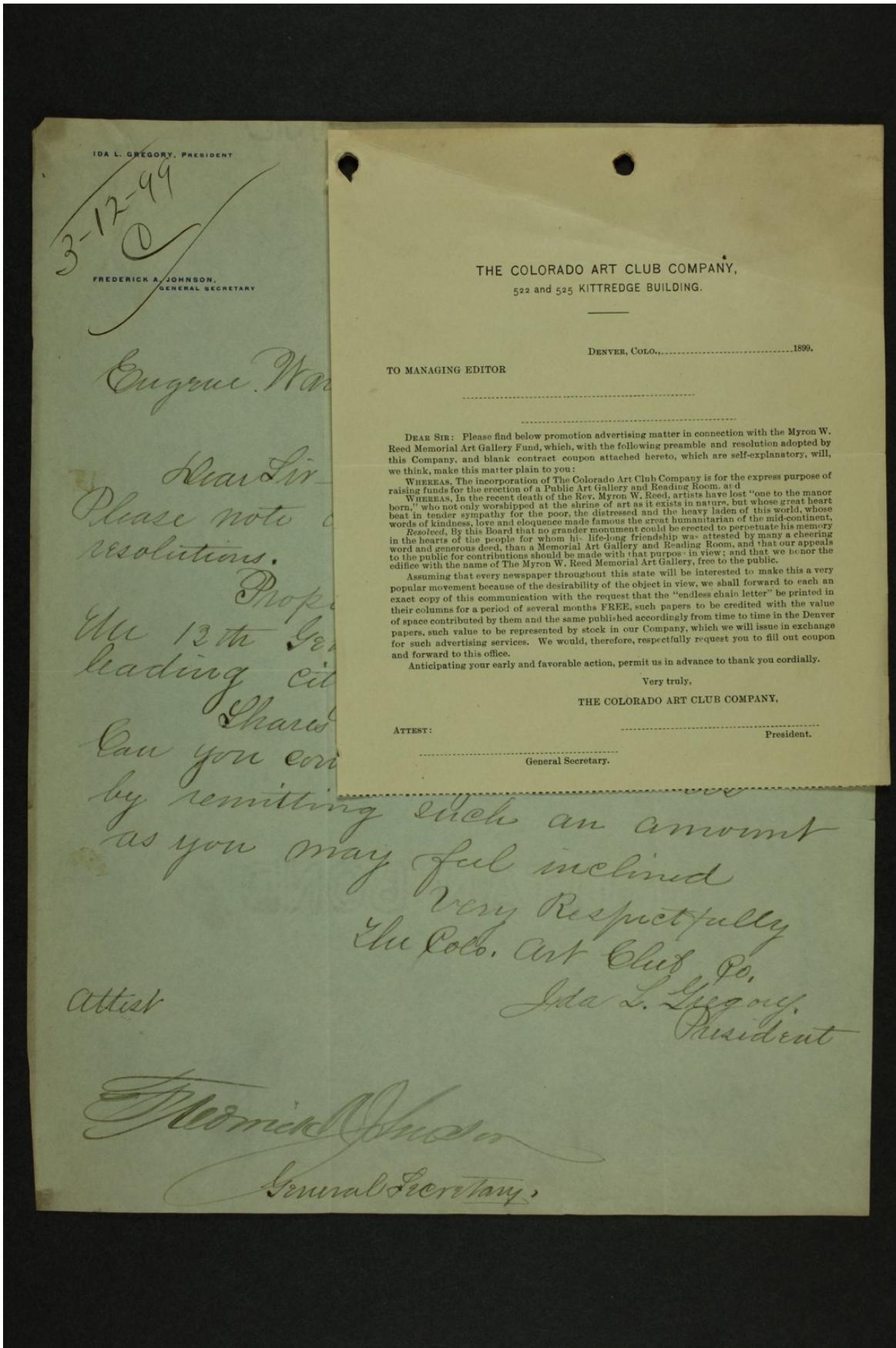
I was reading,
a few days ago, in the
Kansas City Journal about
your books of poems. I have
been trying to get one
but can't find any in
town. Will you be kind
enough to answer this
and let me know
where I can get one and
what it will cost, as
I want one for old
remembrance sake,

Your Friend and
Comrade,

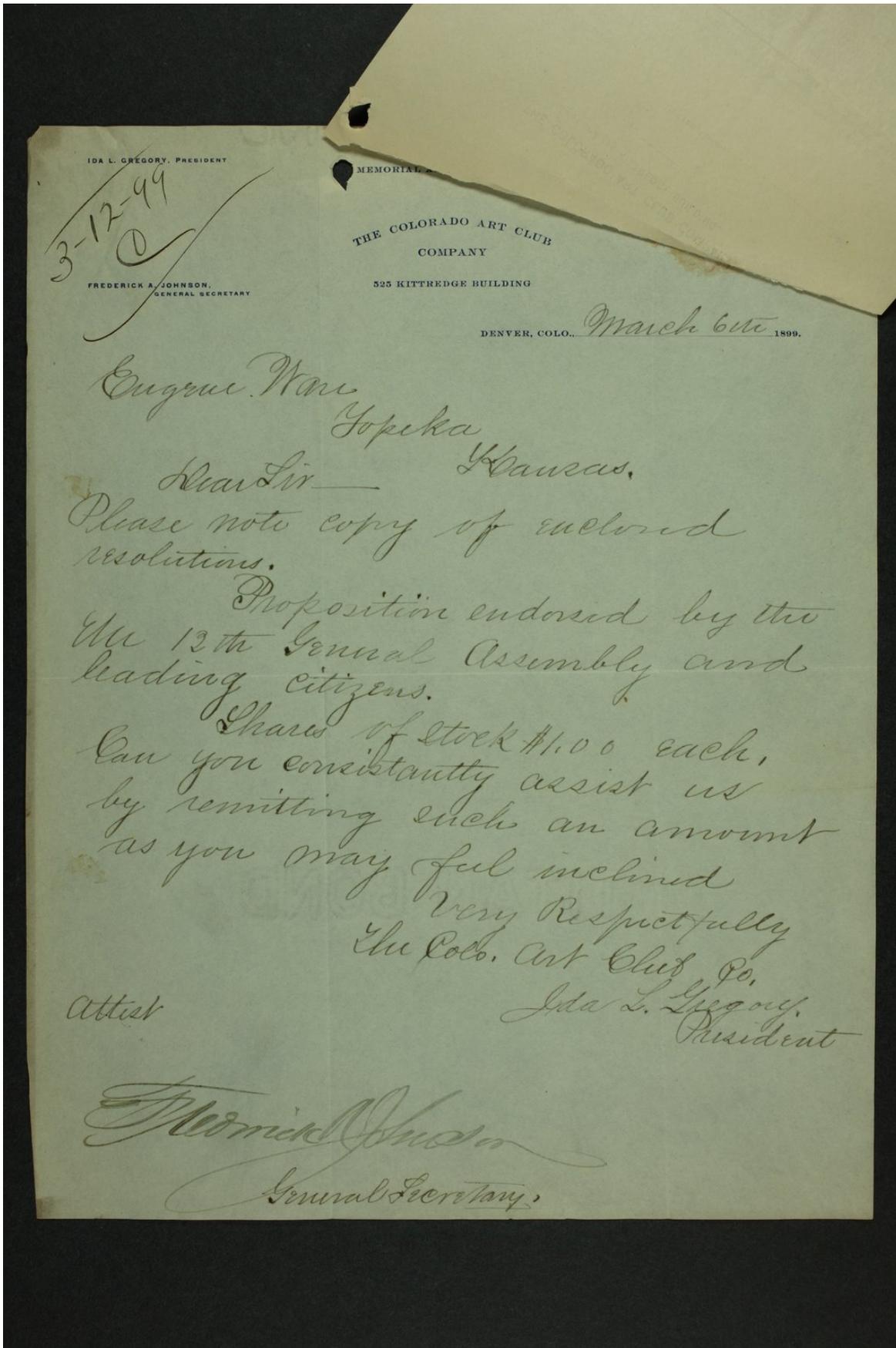
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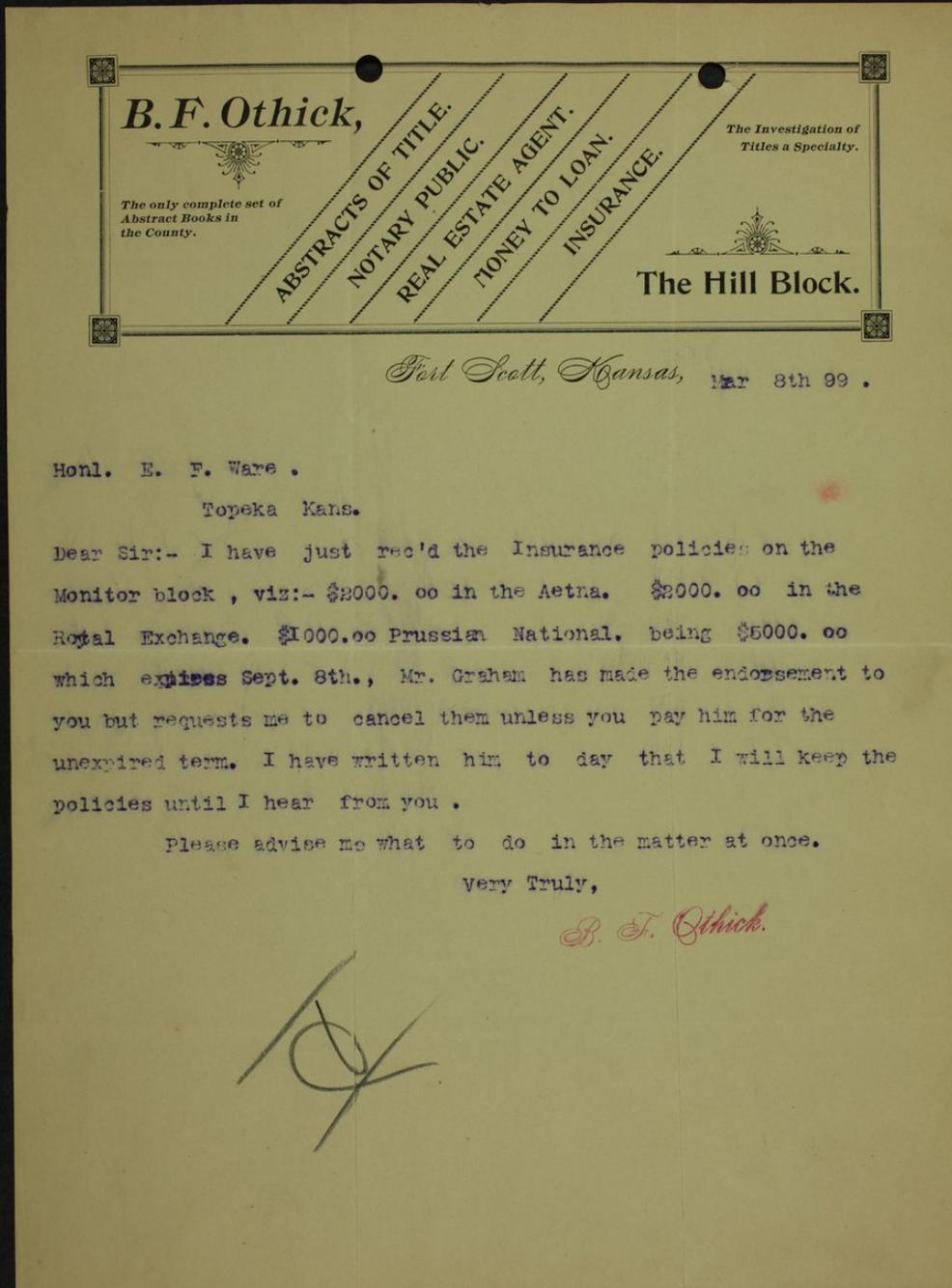
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Jola Public Schools

W. J. Hull, Superintendent

3-12/99
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Jola, Kansas, March 8, 1899

*Hon. E. Ware
Topeka, Ks.*

My Dear Sir:- We desire to arrange for an address upon the occasion of our graduating exercises to take the place of the usual "orations" by the young graduates. Our schools close May 26 and our commencement would occur about that time - either the 25 or 26. We would be very greatly delighted if we could secure you for that address. Could you serve us, and if so at what expense? You are aware we are getting to be a pretty good town and naturally think nothing to good for Jola. Our people will feel honored and favored in the event we can secure your services. Please let me know soon.

Yours very truly,

W. J. Hull

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THE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

Fort Scott, Kas., March 10 1899

E. W. Ware, Esq.
Topeka Mo.

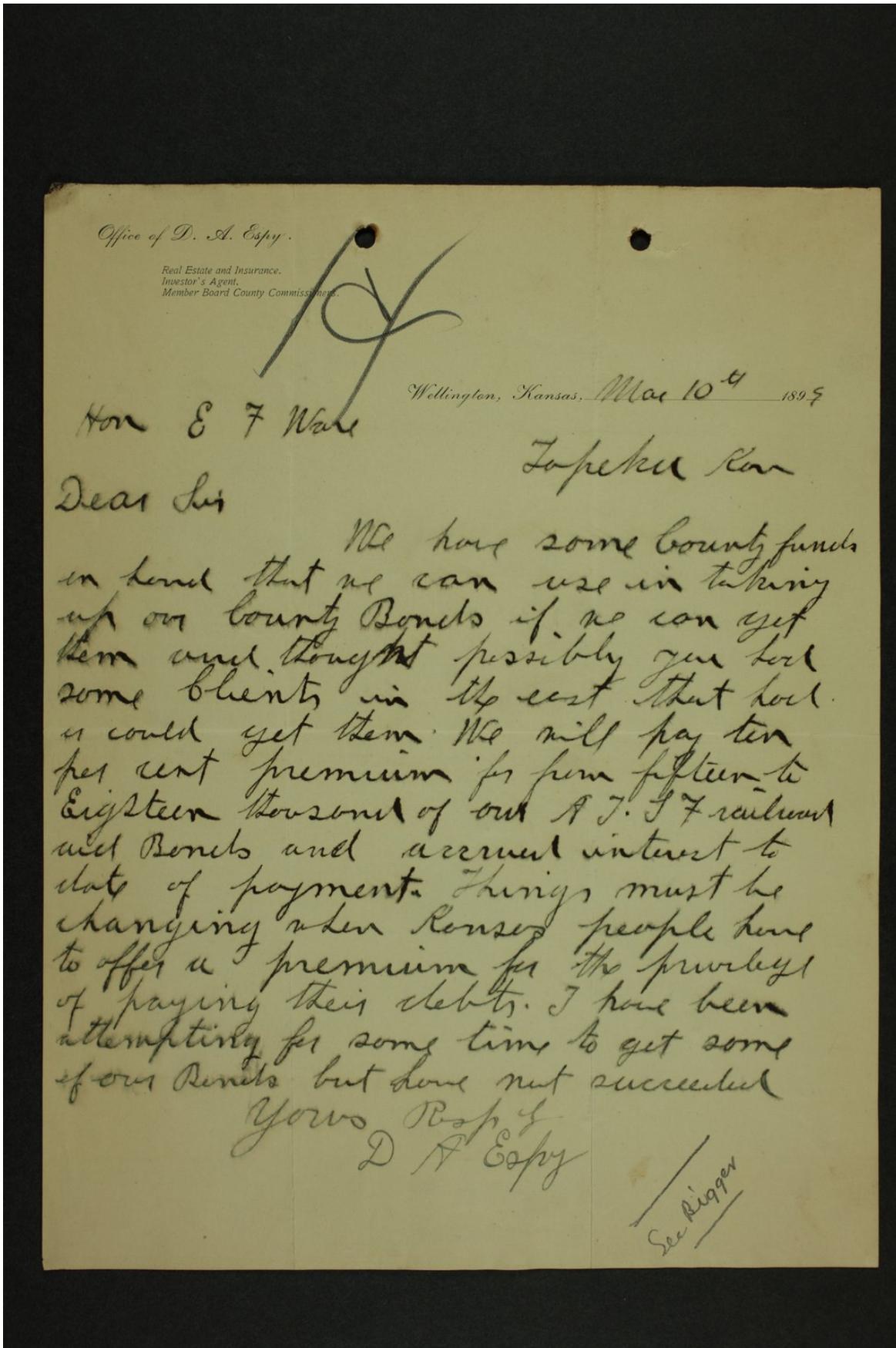
Dear Sir:

I am directed by the Board to enquire if our Board is responsible for the Court costs amounting to \$64⁰⁰ in the University Square case. The check of the Court has sent me this of. for payment.

Yours Truly
E. W. Ware
Topeka



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3311 Spring Garden S.,
Phila. Pa. March, 10, 1899.

Dear Mr. Vance:-

I have your favor of the 9th. inst. and the copy of a letter which you state was sent to you by Miss Edith Keeley Stokely.

The lady, who is as profoundly unknown to me as I am to her, seems to be lashing herself into a kind of stage fury. Let us see what cause she has for her "tempest in a teapot."

I never heard of her or her verses until I saw them in the Home Magazine something like two years ago. As you had a short time previously announced that only original matter would be published in its pages in the future, I naturally assumed that that was the "first appearance on any stage" of her "Life's Whist." Did she deceive you, or did you break your rule and deceive your readers? for she now claims that the lines were written "seven years ago, published shortly after, and reprinted in the Home Magazine about two years ago."

You can readily see that upon the supposition that they were first-hand, and not second-hand, goods, I at once compared them with Eugene Ware's poem, which had been known to me a number of years. The same thoughts are found in each production, and being upon an unusual subject, the idea that one is an imitation of the other is inevitable, and I must say that Miss Stokely's rather gratuitous outbreak by no means removes the impression. Like the old maid, she seems altogether too eager to discover the buglar under the bed. This, perhaps, makes her unable to distinguish between a charge of imitation and a charge of plagiarism.

I am not in possession of the exact age of Mr. Ware's poem; it may be more than seven years; at any rate, I will for my own satisfaction make an effort to find out. If it should prove younger I shall feel sorry for him, for he then will be obliged to show cause why he should not be deposed from the Kansas laureateship for having imitated Miss Stokely.

Very truly yours,

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Kansas City, Mo. 3/11 - 99

I. F. Guiwits,
Resident Manager.

Hon. E. F. Ware
Topeka, Kan.

Dear Sir and Friends:
On behalf of the Kellogg News-
paper I write to you for a photograph of yourself
that we may make a single col. cut for our dailies
and weeklies whenever opportunity offers to use it. In
my editorial work I handle your name quite frequently,
and you are one of only a few prominent Kansans of
whom we cause no cut. Please send the photo to me direct,
and I will see that it is returned to you. Will also send you
a proof of the cut. Your friend,
C. J. Dugg,
With A. N. Kellogg Newspaper Co.

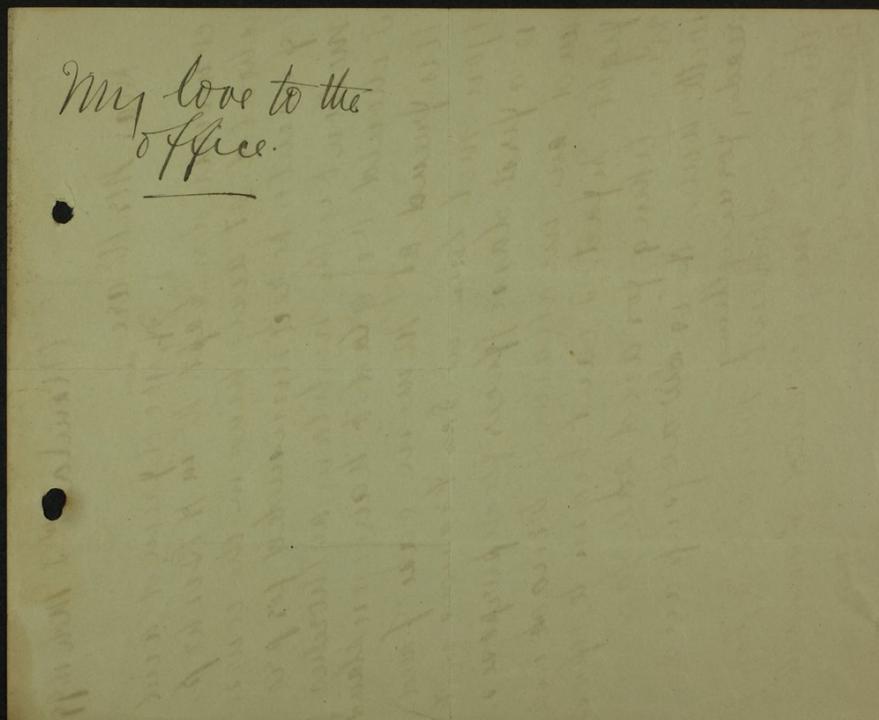
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Manila, P. I. Feb. 11, 99

Dear Mr. Ware—
my
of good friend and
commander, Capt. Wm H. Bishop,
should at any time in the course
of events, be recommended for pro-
motion by the military authorities
I should be glad to have you stand
his friend at home in case of need.
You met him in San Francisco. He
is a first class officer for all purposes,
and an unchained warrior in
fight. In fact, I can't begin to express
my liking for and satisfaction
with him. He is always up and
ready for anything—
I haven't missed a day of
the trouble myself and I am well
and hearty.

Hambro.

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Harry G. Wilson, Agent, CHICAGO March 12/99

521 Wabash

Dear "Ironquill!"

I have arranged with Miss Lillian Ballance, 700 Jefferson Street, Peoria, Ill. the only reviewer in Peoria, but very clever, to write a review of your poems for the "Daily Star", the leading paper of the city, in point of circulation. Consideration, a copy of the poems presented to Miss Lillian Ballance, (sent to above address,) with author's name, in his own handwriting. A copy of the paper will be mailed to you.

I have asked that "John Brown" "Quivera", "The Washerwoman's Song", "Aztec City", and "Dewey", be specially mentioned, with lines quoted from each. The review will appear soon after Miss Ballance receives copy.

Miss Ballance, (who is but 21-) was in Wichita for two years, while her father- the contractor- was superintending the building of the Sedgwick County court house. The publisher and price of the book will be mentioned in the review. I gave Mr. Skinner, the poet of whom I had the pleasure of mentioning in my last letter, a letter of introduction to you, as he was in Topeka last week, but he tells me that you were-(are-) in Mexico, so he missed the pleasure of meeting you.

Yours very truly.

Harry G. Wilson

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112 National Avenue,
Fort Scott Kansas.
March 12th 1899

My dear Mr. Ware:—
On the table in
the sitting-room is my
copy of "Rhymes of Bronquill,"
of which you so kindly
remembered me. I was
delighted to receive it
because, although there
are two or three copies
of Bronquill about the
house, not one of them
could I call my own.
Aside from the
delightful poems that
I have read and reread
the book has a foreign
stamp which makes it
all the more interesting;
and I know that you
are like most Americans,

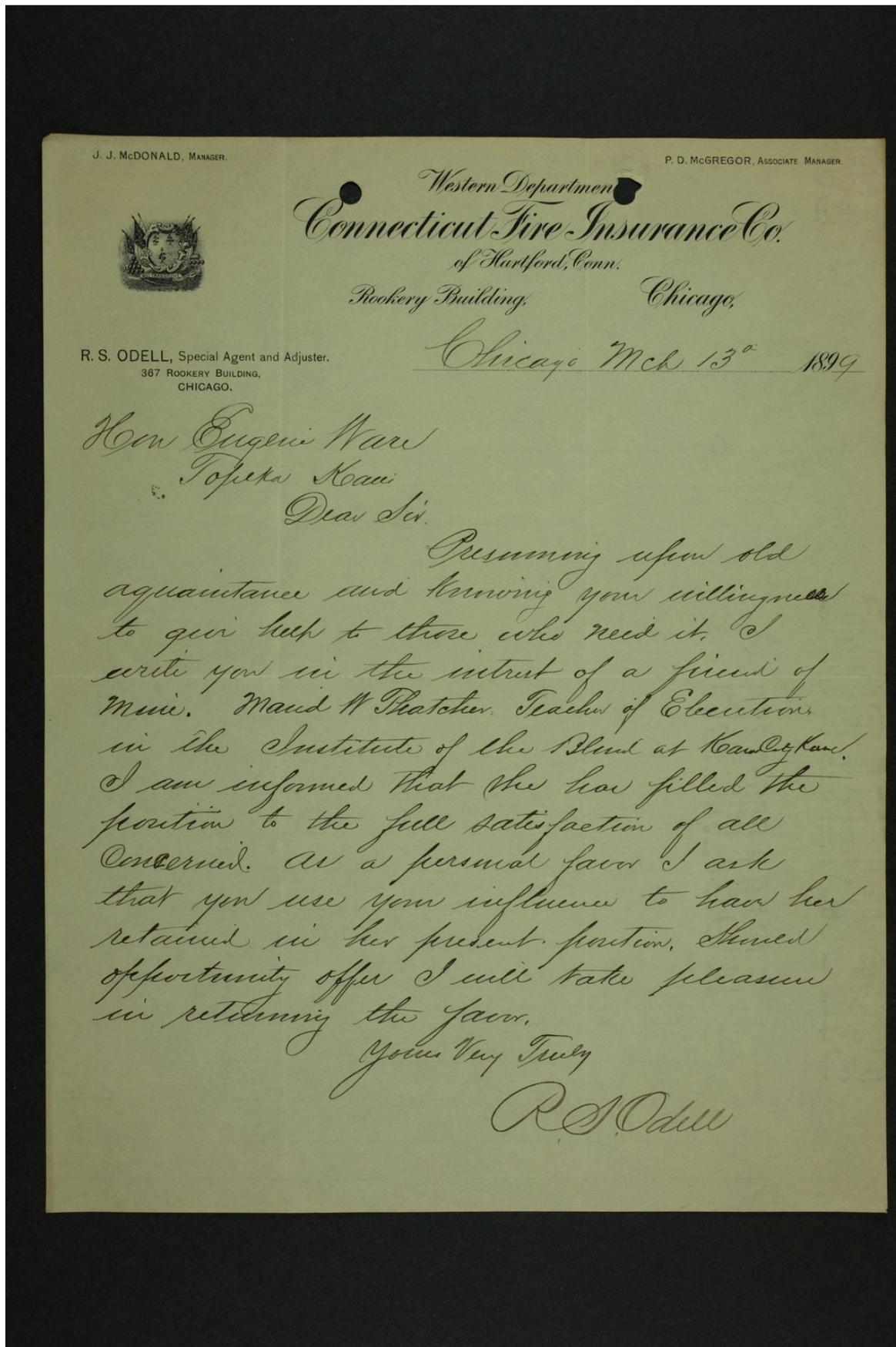
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although you are an
American through and
through - loyal to your
country, and all that
yet prize some thing
that has a stamp on it -
"made in France" or "made
in England" for example.
And so it is that this
English edition of your
poems I consider one of
my choicest books - for
you know that book is
my "dobby".

Again, many, many
thanks for your contribution
to my library, as well as
for the remembrance, believe me,

Very sincerely yours,
Eleanor Bayless.

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London,
Terre of Court Hotel,
High Holborn.
Paris,
211 Rue St. Honoré.

Mrs. M. D. Trazar,
Manager European Parties,
No. 70 Globe Building,
Boston, U. S. A.

Cable Address:
JAPAN.

Boston, Mass., Mar. 13 1899

My dear Mr. and Mrs. Ware
With many ever kind good
wishes and earnest hopes that I
may tempt you to join me - I send
you my itineraries for the season.
I go personally July 8, and how I
would love to have you with me!
Hardly a day goes by that I do not
see or hear from some member of
the nice party when you were
with us, and always you are most
sincerely remembered. It is my pleas-
ure. I had a charming call from
Mr. Brown, who is a delightful man.
The other night at an entertainment
in which I betwixt part of the time
two of your poems were read - and
I was proud as proud ever to be.
They took the house.

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The travel this year is tremendous.
Nearly all my brethren are gone,
and I shall have to get other
ships. Mr. and Mrs. Hayden go
to California tomorrow for six
weeks. Mrs. Peale & Grace have
go on the tour around Cuba & Porto
Rico, in the "Paris." Mr. Chase &
his sister are going to Europe
under my wing, April 20th.
The boys are ever so well. With
cordial regards, believe me always
sincerely
Yours
Wm. D. Frozan

Are there any art teachers I can
employ for my July 1st. Art class?
W. D. F.

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LA SALLE, ILL., U. S. A.

March 14th, 1899.

Eugene F. Ware, Esq.,
Topeka, Kas.,

Dear Sir:--

Having learned from Prof. Carruth that you are interested in his translation of Cornill's "History of the People of Israel", we take the liberty of sending you one or two specimen copies of The Open Court in which magazine Cornill's History originally appeared. We hope within another year to have a second series of articles by the same distinguished scholar.

Very truly yours,

The Open Court Publishing Co.

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1932 Van Buren St
Topeka Kans 3/16 99

Eugene Wear

Sir.

Having been informed you wish to purchase a card table of old style, I write this to tell you what I have.

Mine is of the finest of Mahogany, the top is of two pieces of solid mahogany each 18x36 and folds, when open is 36x36. It came from my Grand father's home in Kentucky has been in use over fifty years. Is in good repair. Will take finish fine. It was made in Wheeling W. Virginia. Please let me hear from you.
Mrs E. V. Green.

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3311 Spring Garden St.,
Philadelphia, Pa. March 18,
1899.

Mr. Eugene Ware,
Topeka, Kansas-

Dear Sir - The enclosed
"documents" are perhaps self-
explanatory.

May I ask you for
information concerning when
"Life is a Game of Whist" was first
written, where it was first
published, and how you came
to write it? I have also given
it a place in my "Whist Reference
Book" which has just been
published.

I am not absolutely
certain of your address, but have
an idea it is Topeka. I hope
this will reach you.

Sincerely yours,
William Mill Butler