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## 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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United States Post Office,

Lawrence Ks

Dec 25, 1883..

Hon. E. F. Ware,  
At Scott Ks

My Dear Sir

Mr. W. A. Rankin informs me you think of not being a candidate for the vacancy in this Congressional district if our friend Sen. Buchan is a candidate.

I see no objection to your both being candidates and allowing the Republican party to choose which shall serve us. If a third candidate comes up — say Mr. Huston and becomes formidable you & Buchan can double thumbs.

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From what I hear so far this  
Country can be carried for you  
but as between Buckham & Finstan  
I fear Finstan would get it.

I scarcely need tell you I think,  
that Mr. Haskells friends have  
appreciated the noble stand  
you & Buckham have made for  
him and are anxious to do all  
in our power for you both.

By the time the Committee meets  
me shall I trust see more light  
but in mean time by all means  
be an earnest candidate for the  
place made vacant by the untimely  
death of the noblest man I ever  
knew in Kansas.

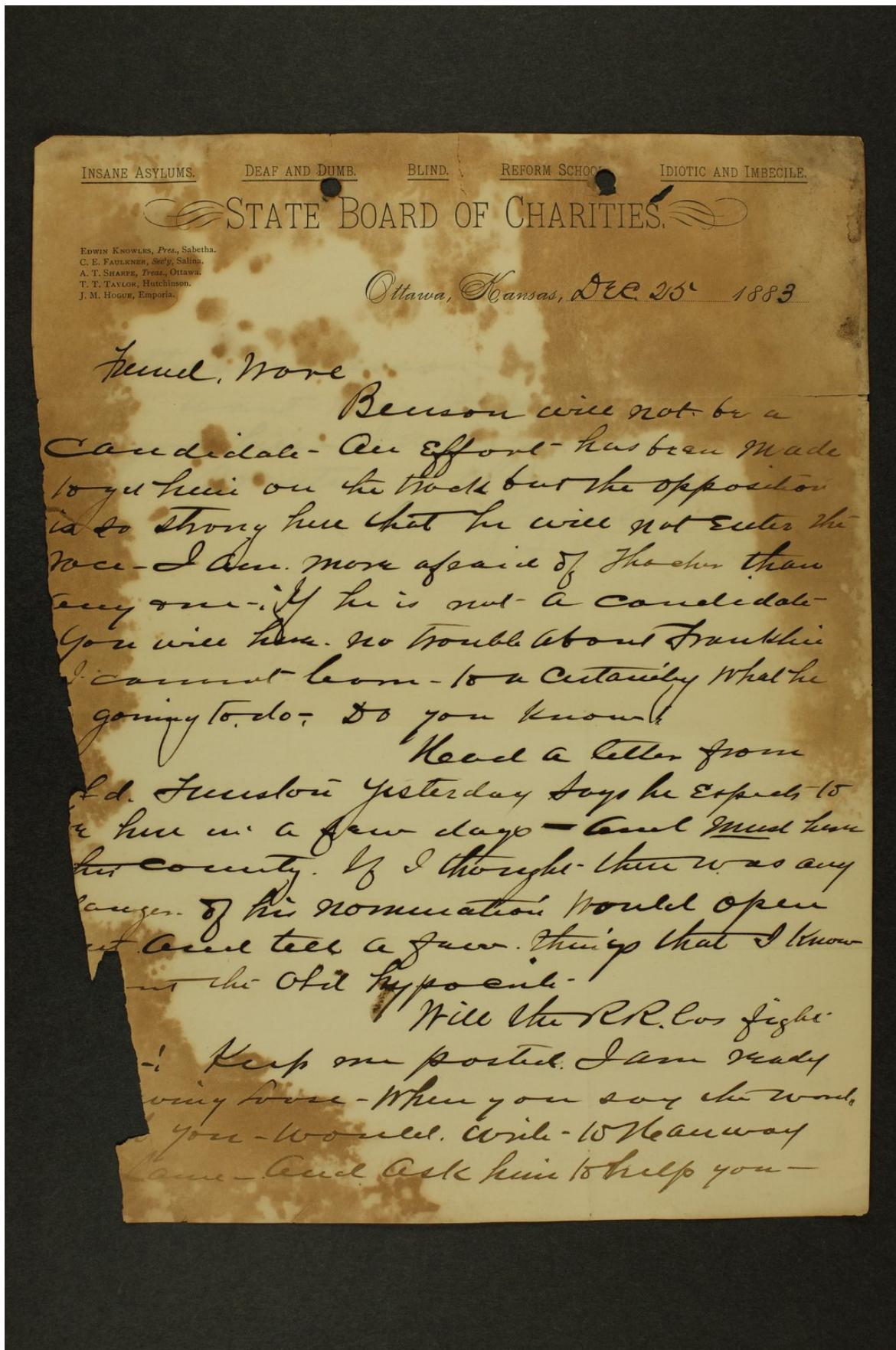
Sincerely Your Friend  
*G.J. Warden*

Warden

-Dec, 1883



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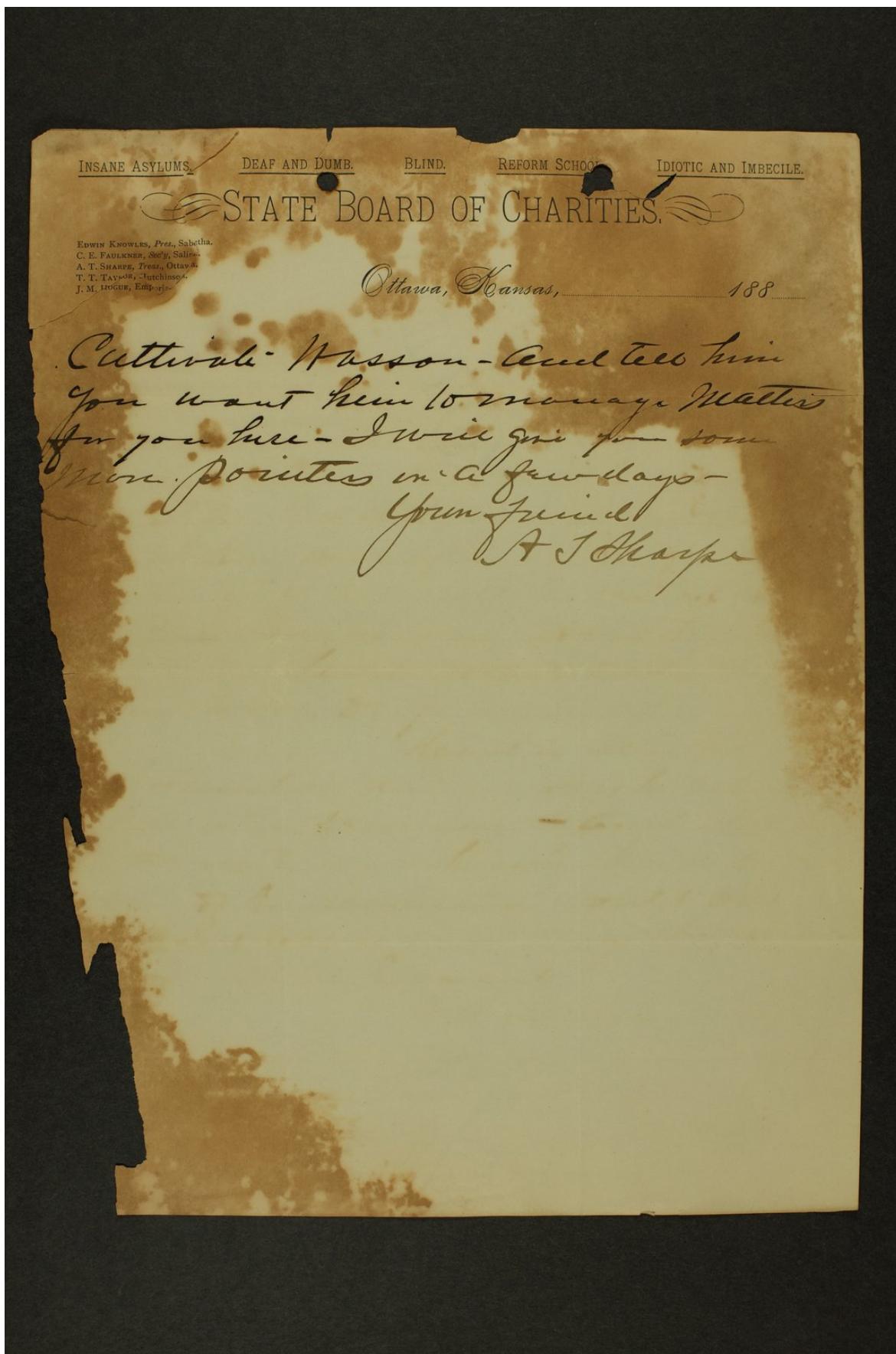


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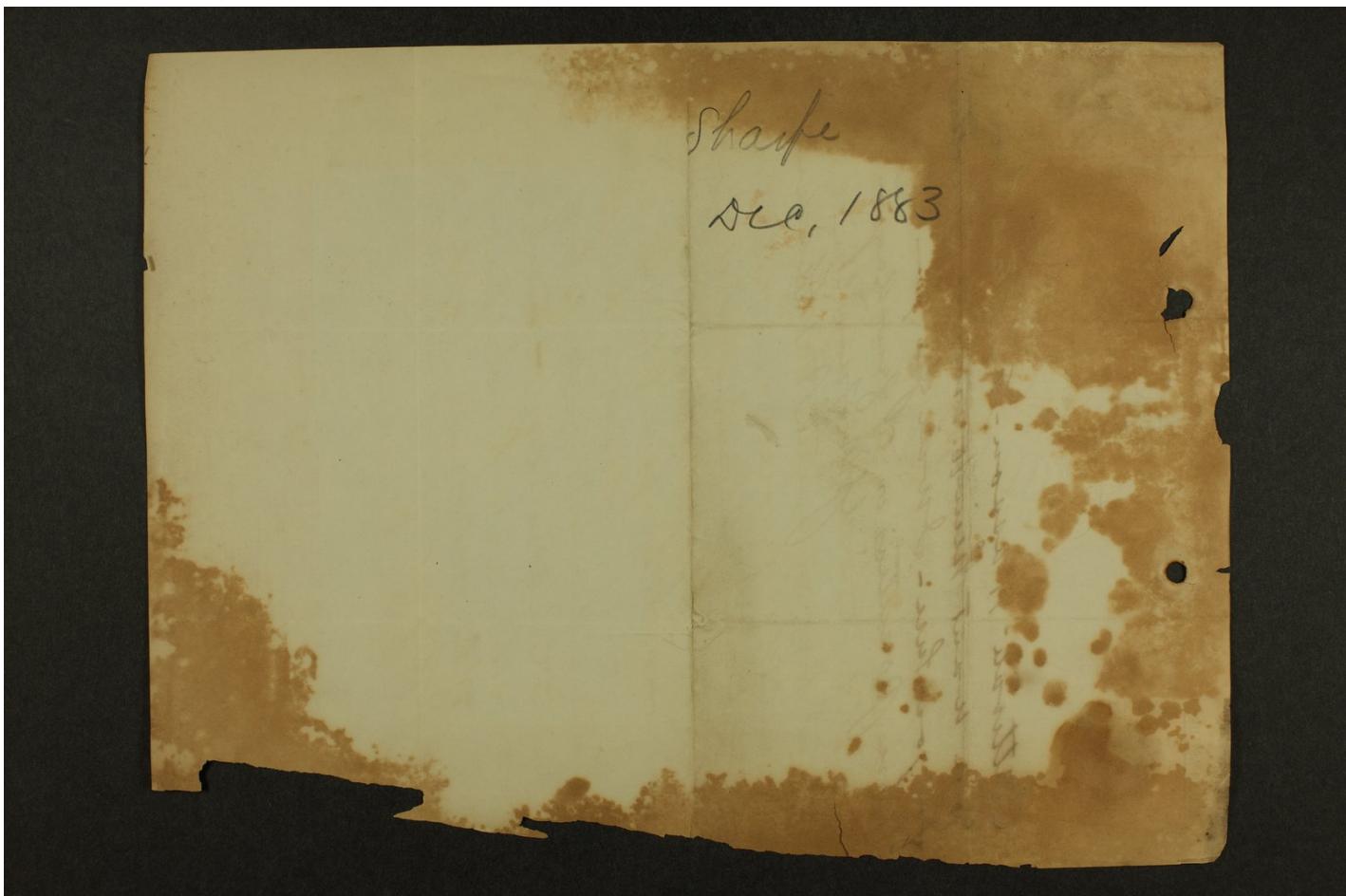
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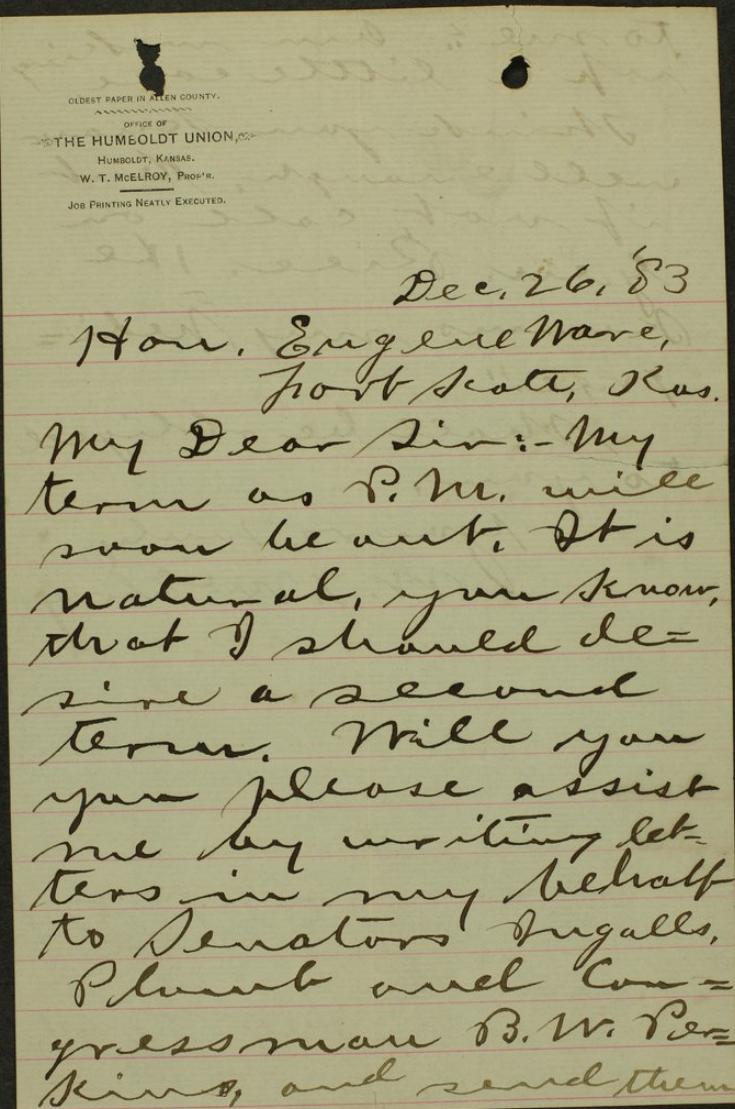


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To me? am working  
up a little case.  
I think you scream  
well enough, but  
if not call on  
Gen. Rice. He  
knows my pedi-  
gree!  
Shall be obliged  
to you,  
Yours truly,  
W. T. McCoy

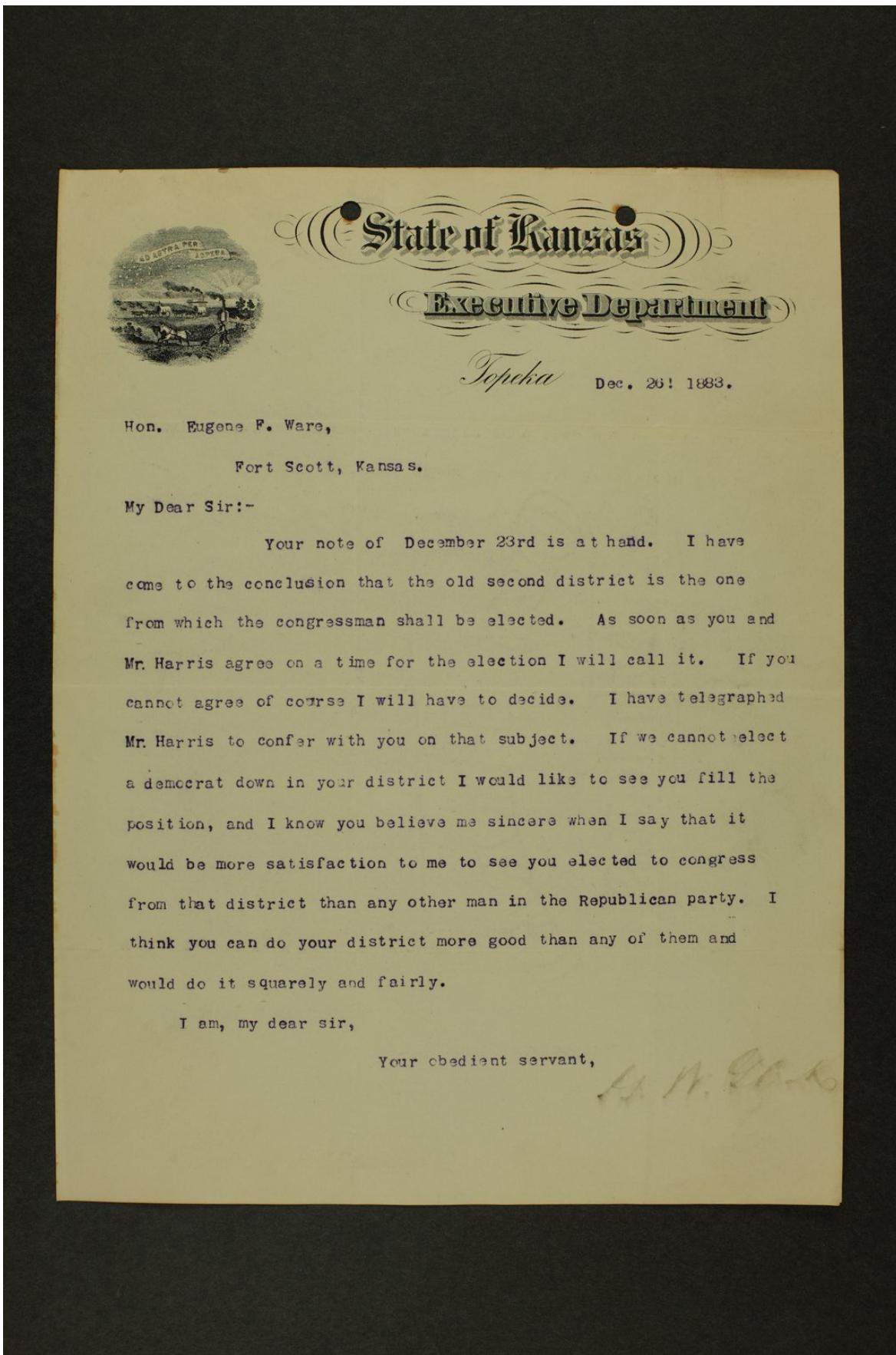
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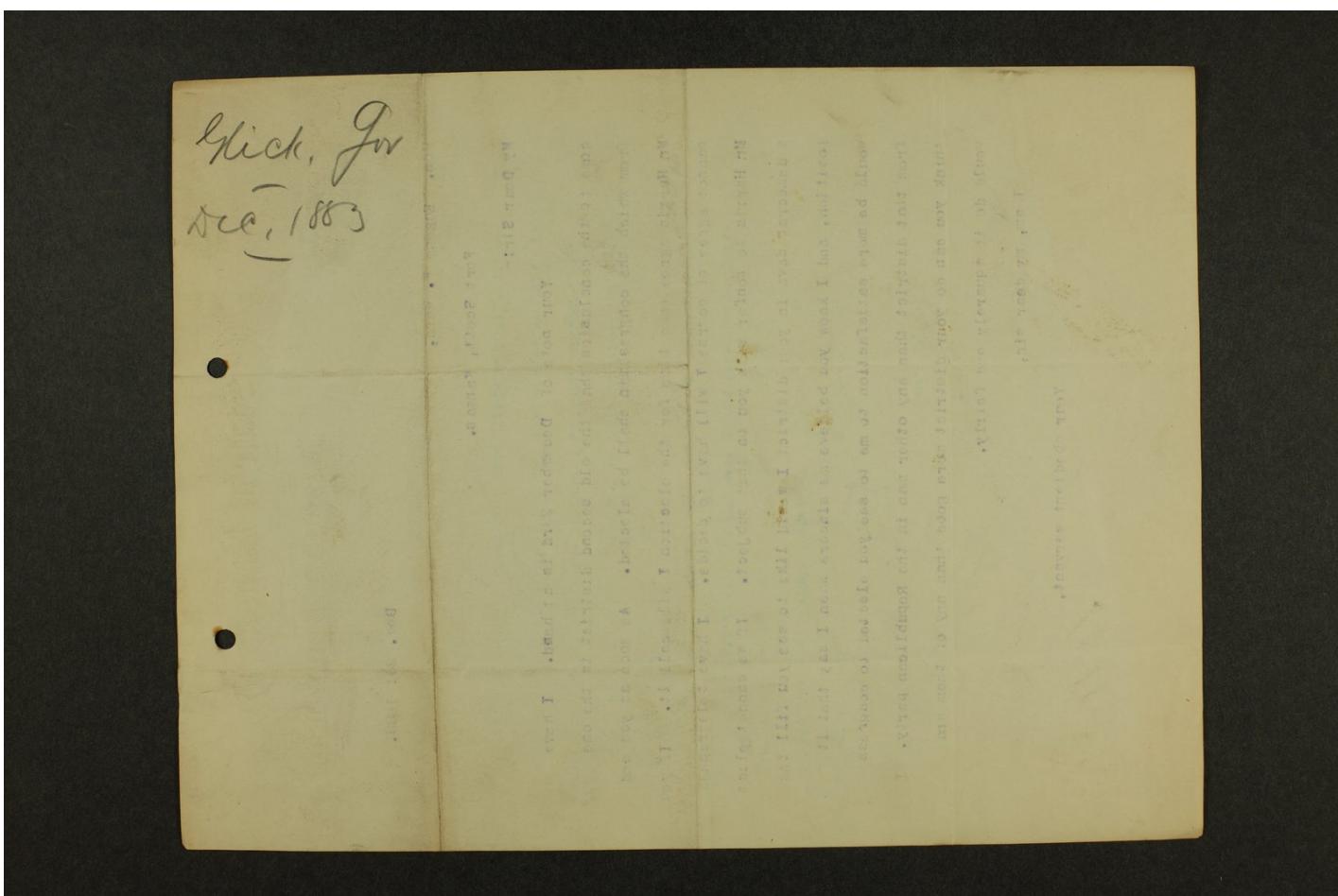


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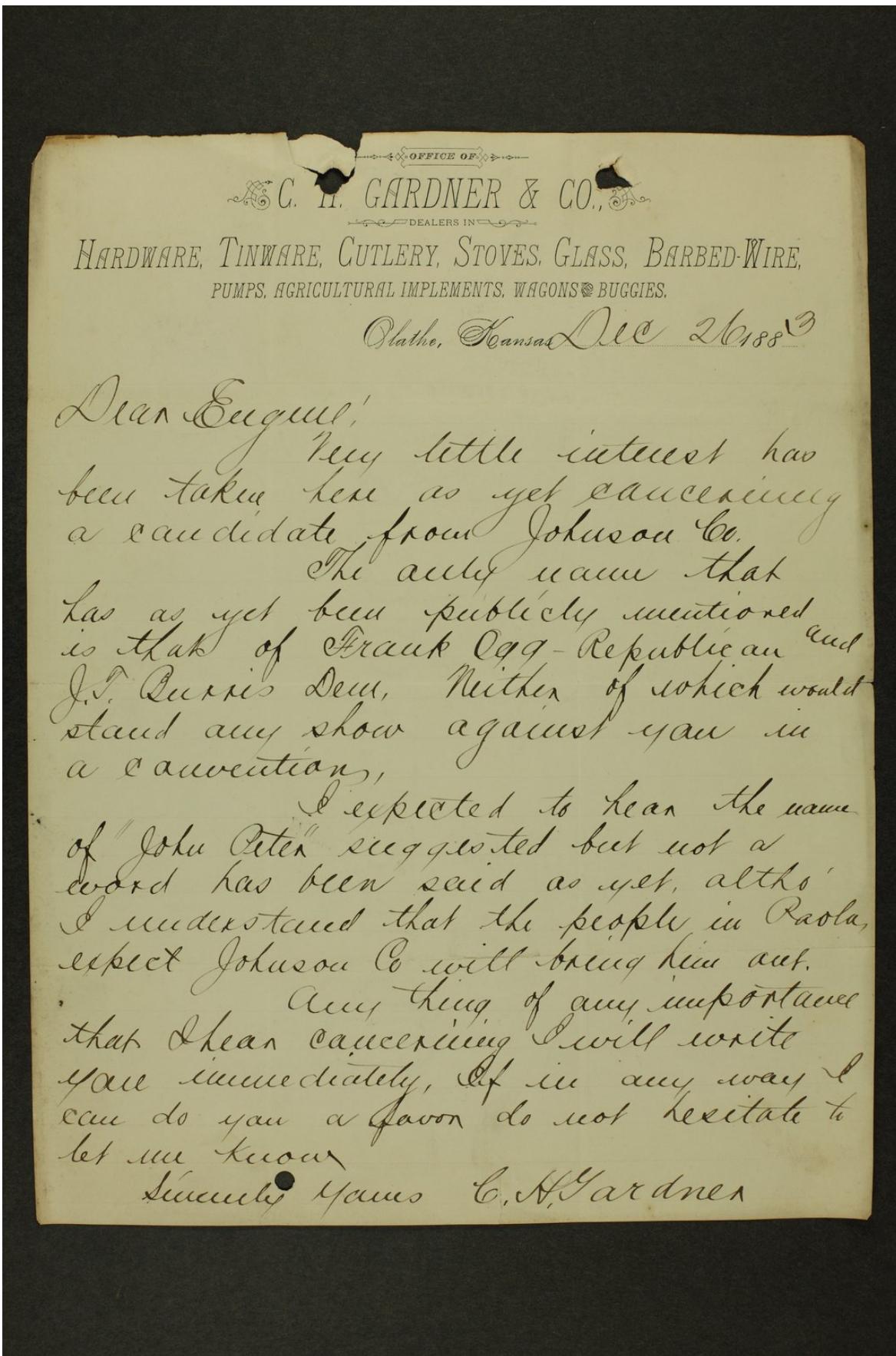


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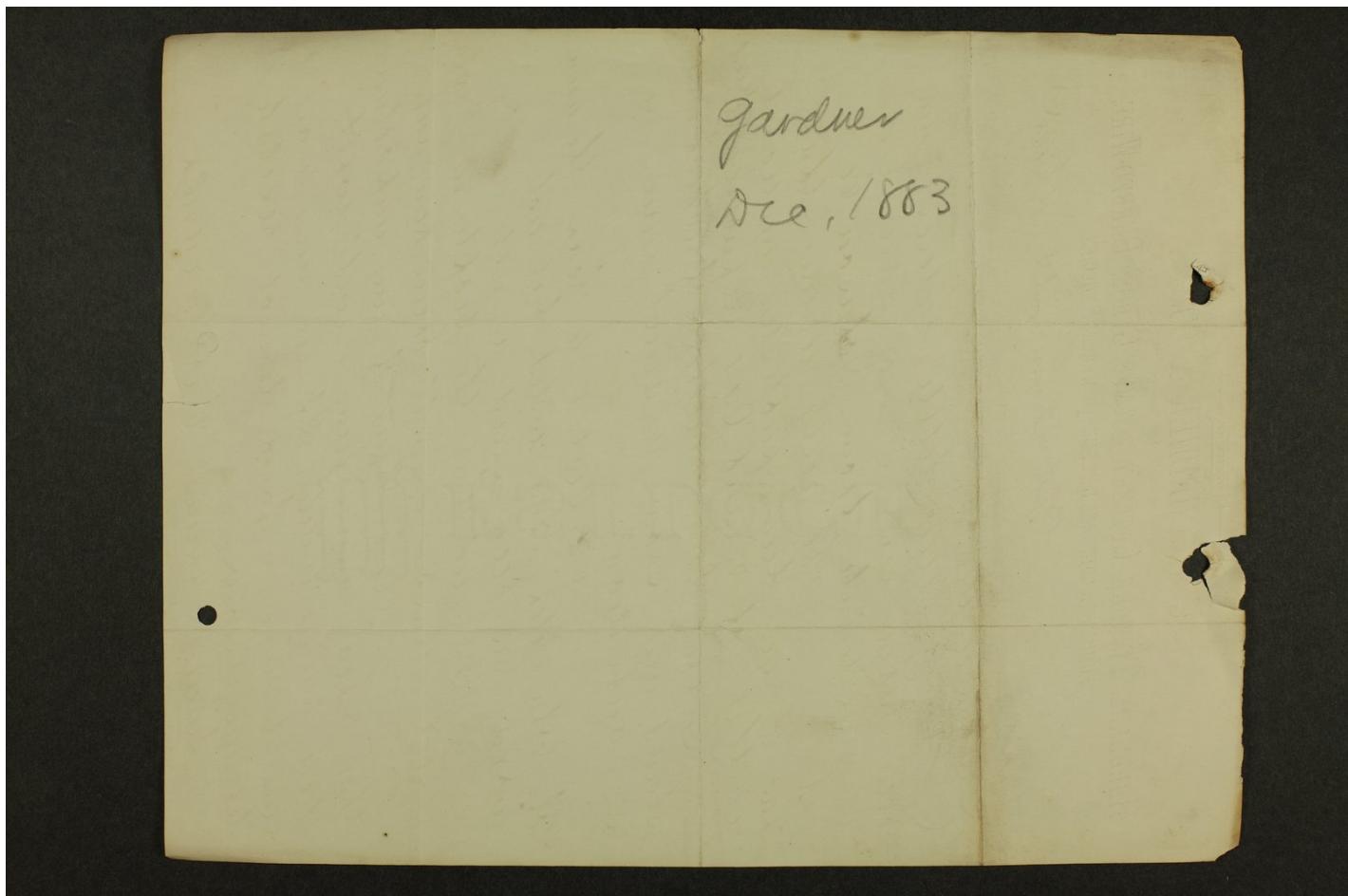
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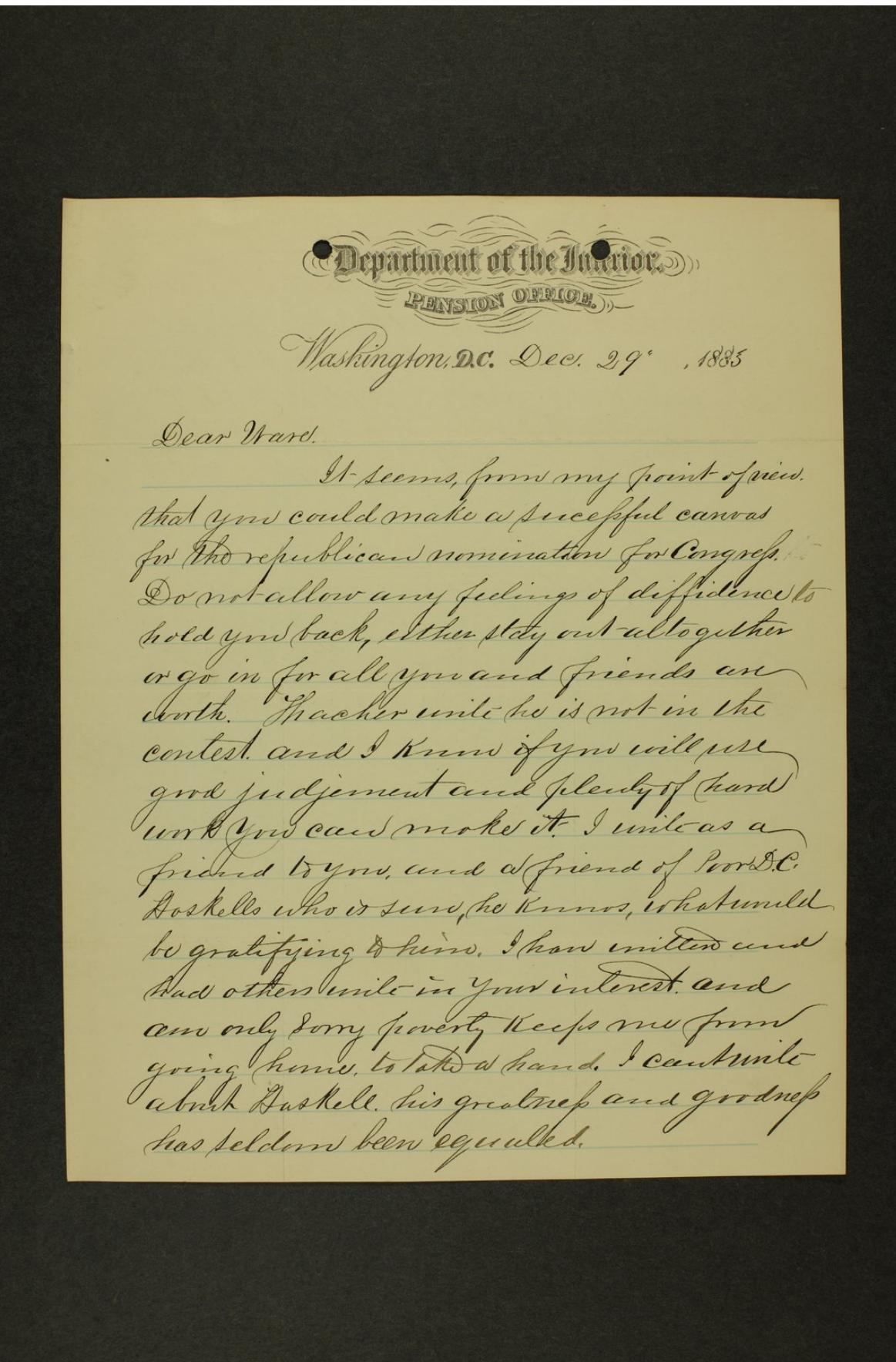


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I want you to come and know you and  
if you start and know the bridges behind.  
In all events don't let them send some  
damned old fool to disgrace the district.

Your friend  
John Rankin

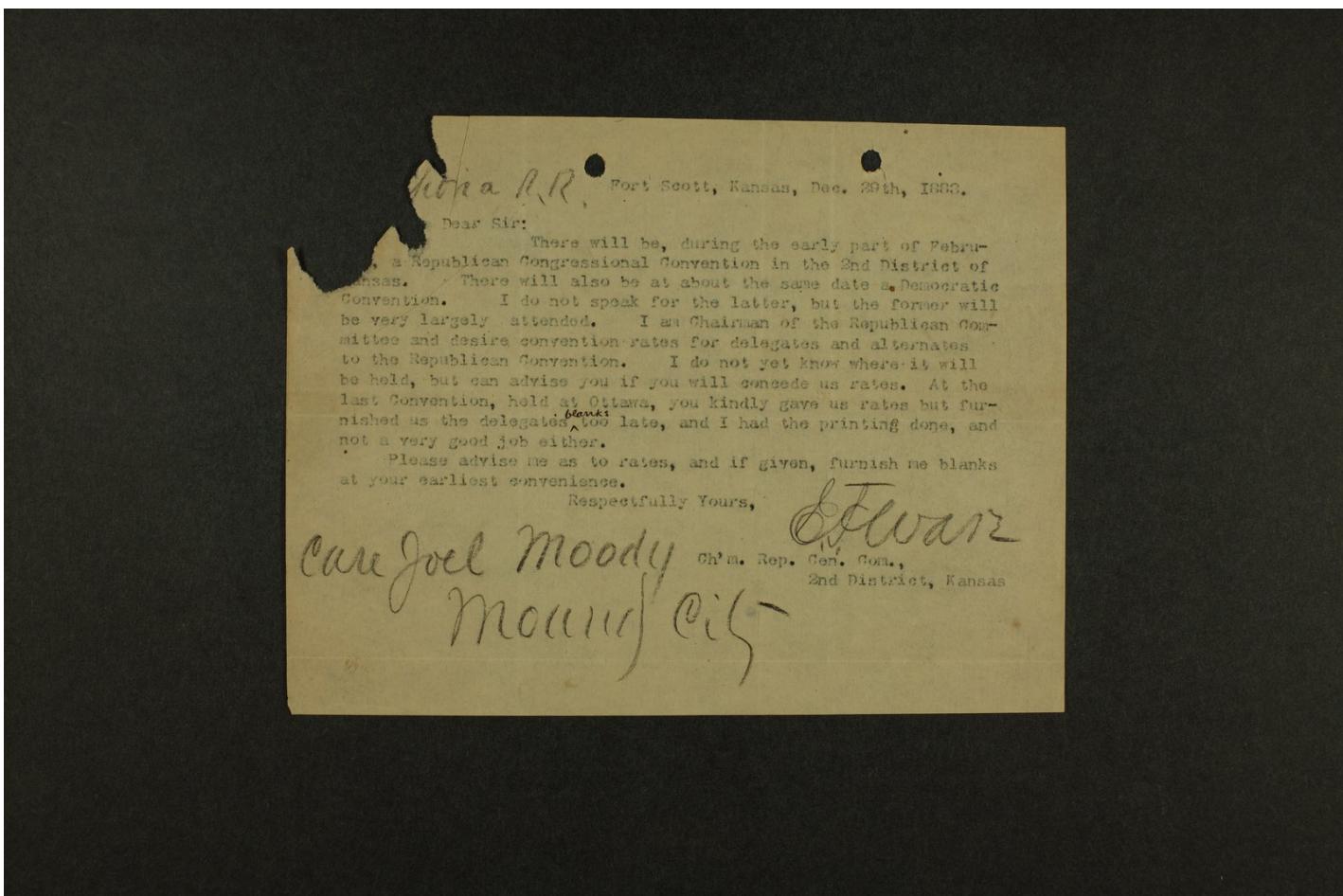
Pension office.

Rankin  
J.K.  
Washington  
Dec. 1883

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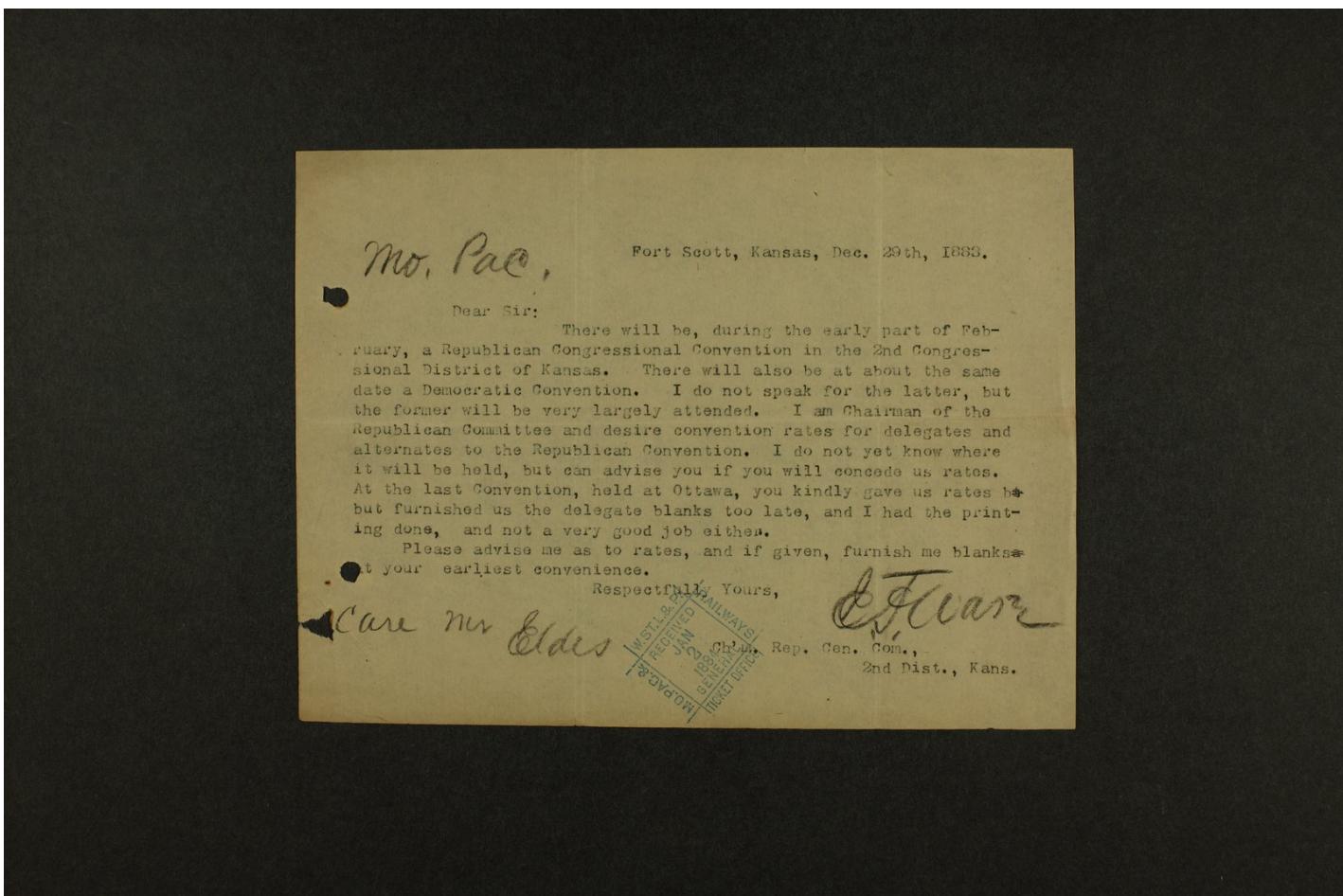
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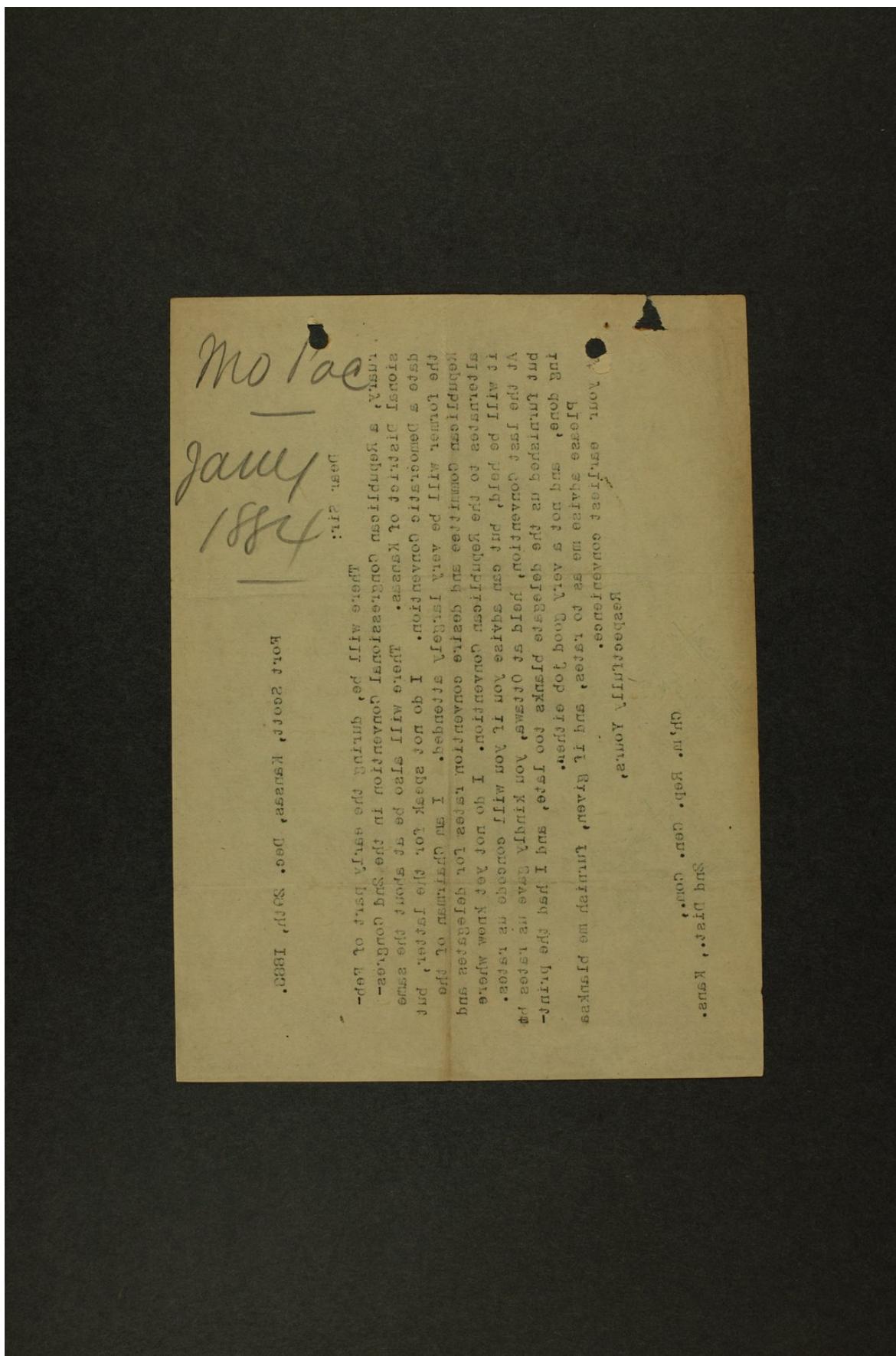


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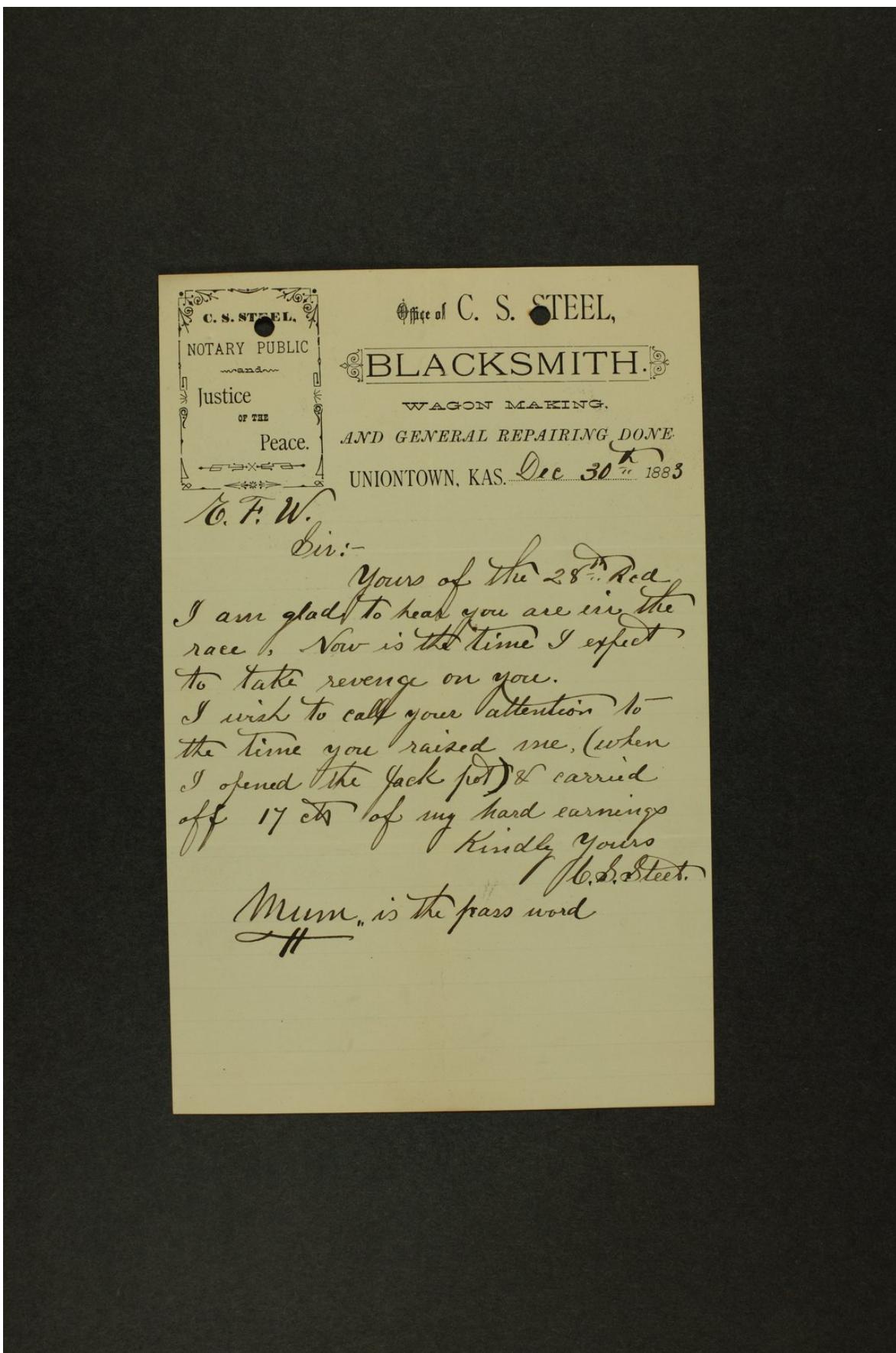


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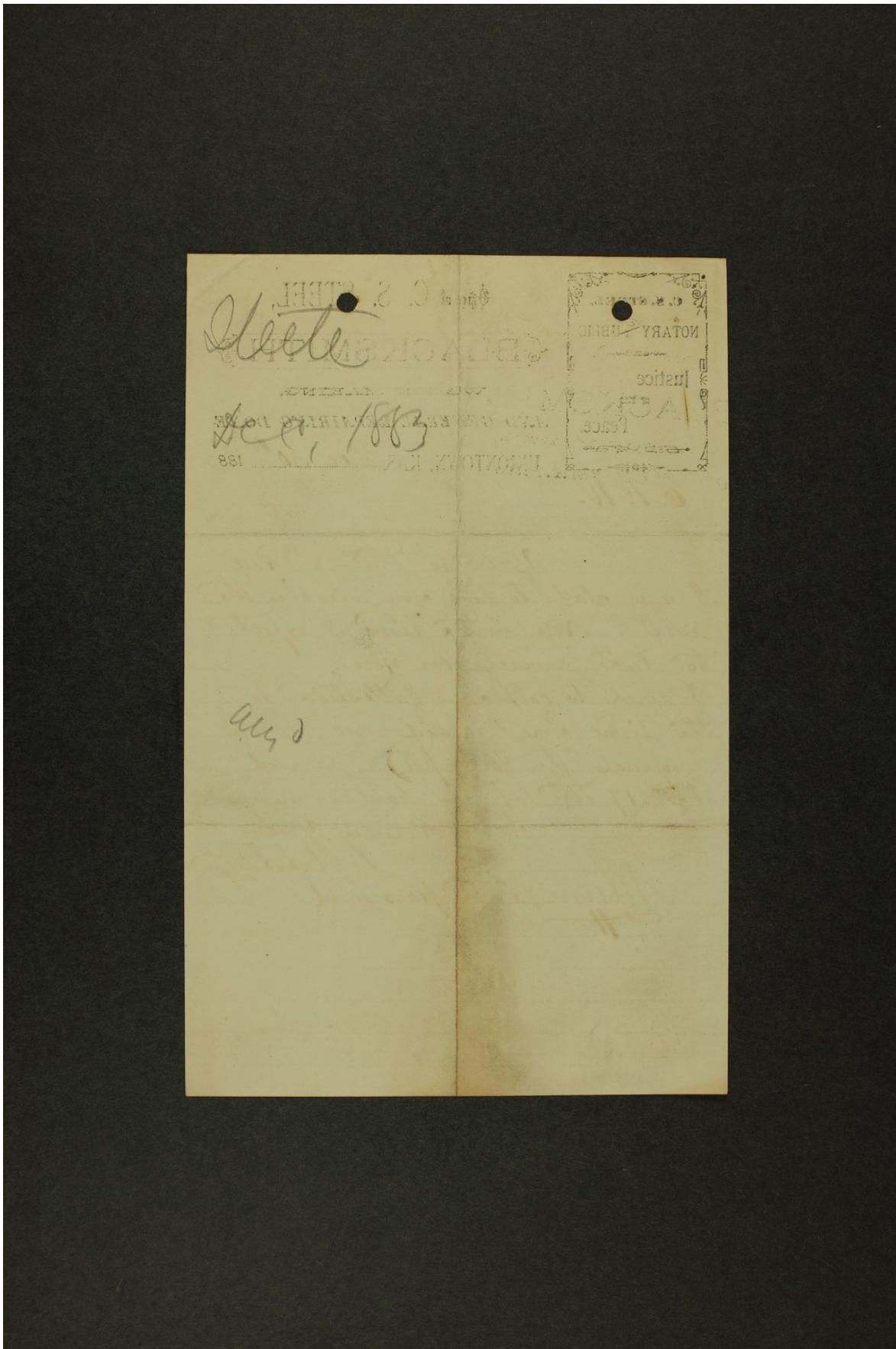


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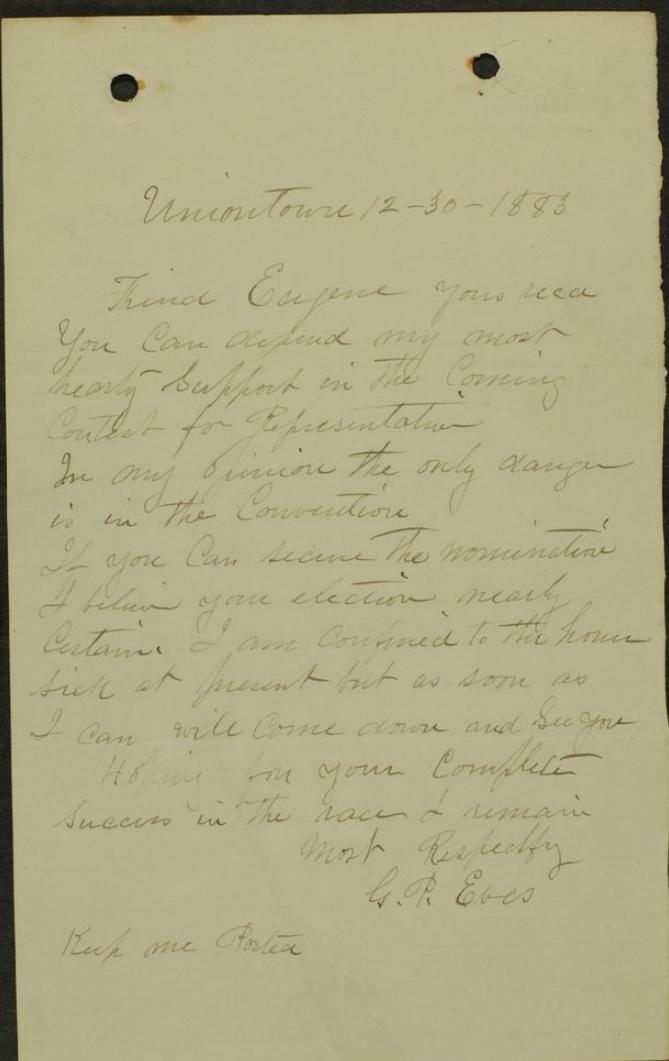


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Uniontown 12-30-1883

Kind Eugene you need  
you can depend my most  
hearty support in the coming  
contest for Representative  
In my opinion the only danger  
is in the Convention  
If you can secure the nomination  
I believe your election nearly  
certain I am confined to the house  
sick at present but as soon as  
I can will come down and see you  
hoping for your complete  
success in the race I remain  
most respectfully  
G.P. Eves

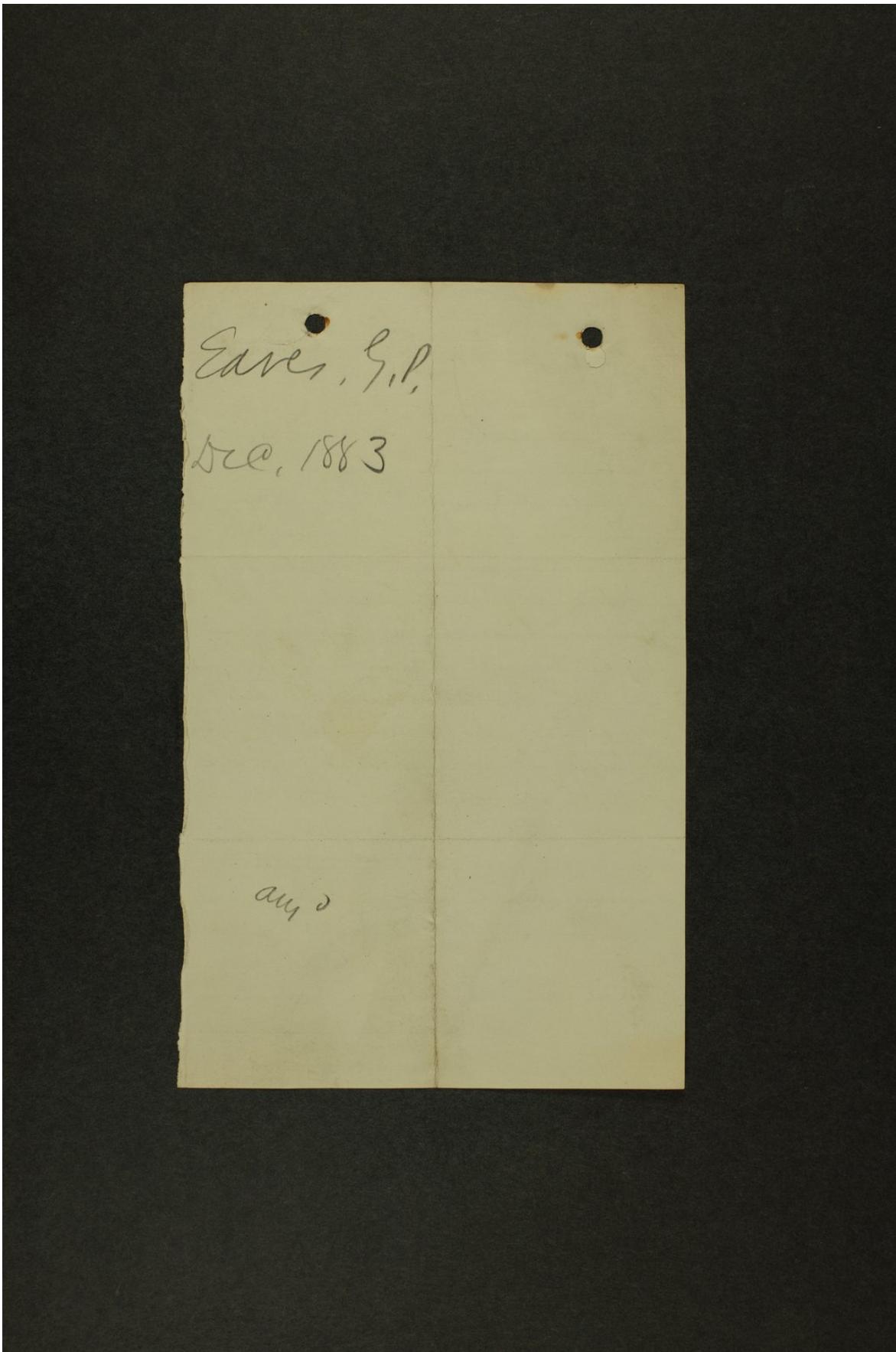
Keep me posted

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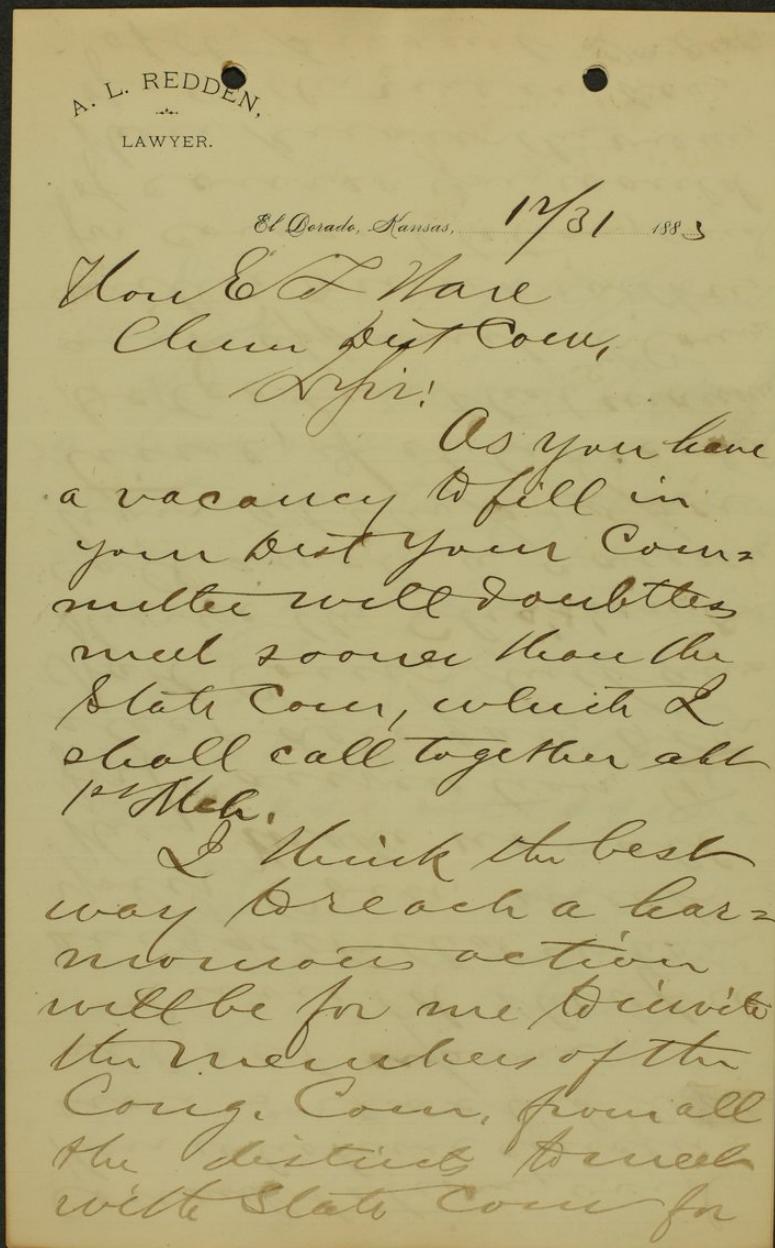


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consultation, and  
then whatever conclusion  
you & reacted let  
all act upon.

I would therefore  
suggest that when  
your Com. meet  
they make no call  
for Convocation to  
elect delegates to the  
State Com., but an  
invite the Chas' to  
call such a convoca-  
tion at the proper  
time, & if it be decided  
select for that man  
and appoint a <sup>sub</sup> Com.  
mittee to meet with us  
for consultation, and  
of course you would  
then know the views  
of all the members  
of the present Govt

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A. L. REDDEN,

LAWYER.

El Dorado, Kansas, 188

and many of the present  
3<sup>c</sup> dist

I only desire that  
a harmonious and  
satisfactory conclusion  
soon be reached and  
am not particular  
as to any plan.

Let me know  
what you think  
of these sugges-  
tions.

Shall have  
the pleasure of soon  
congratulating  
you as the nominee  
for Congress?

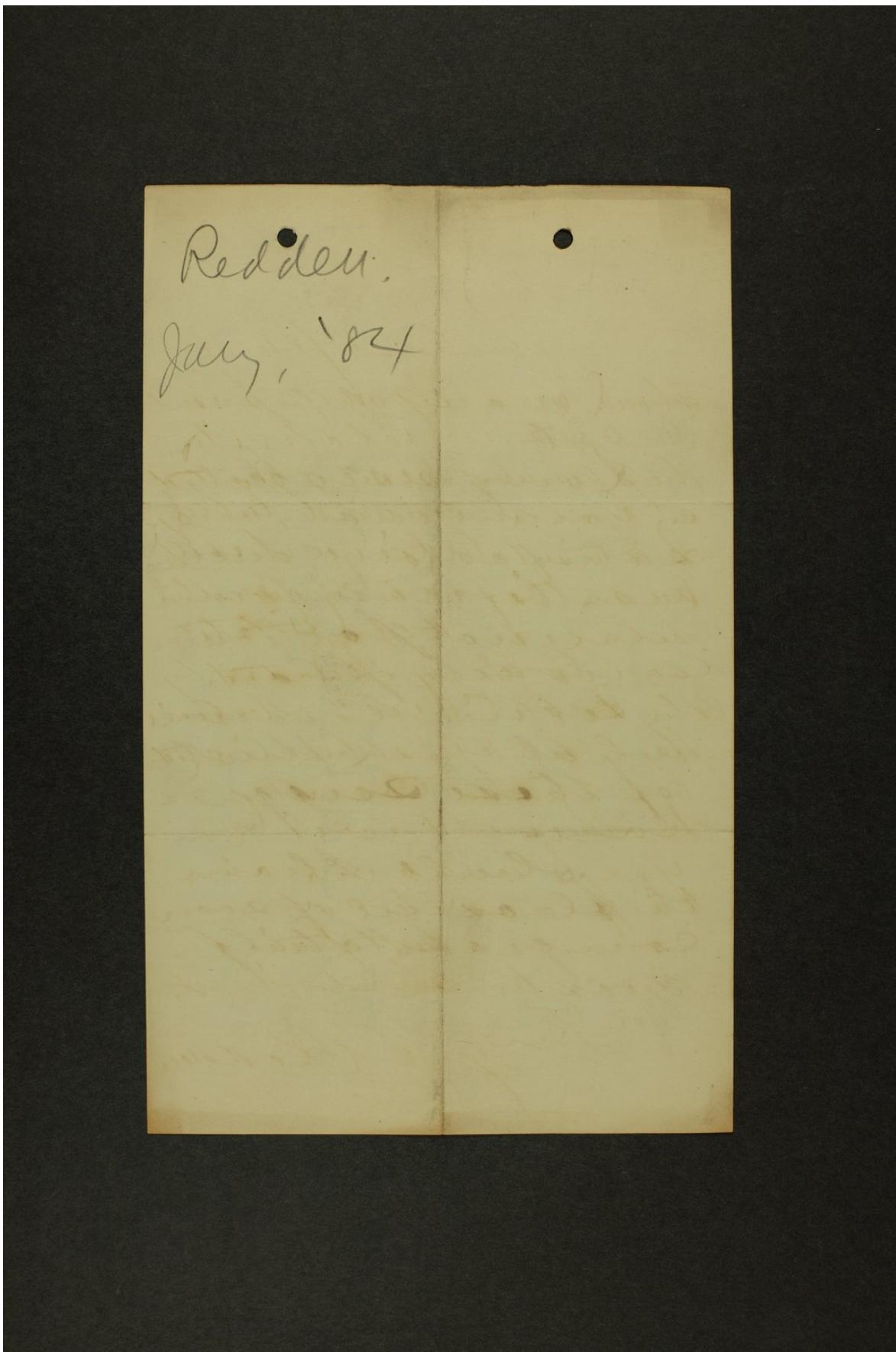
Lidy A. Redden  
Chamberlain

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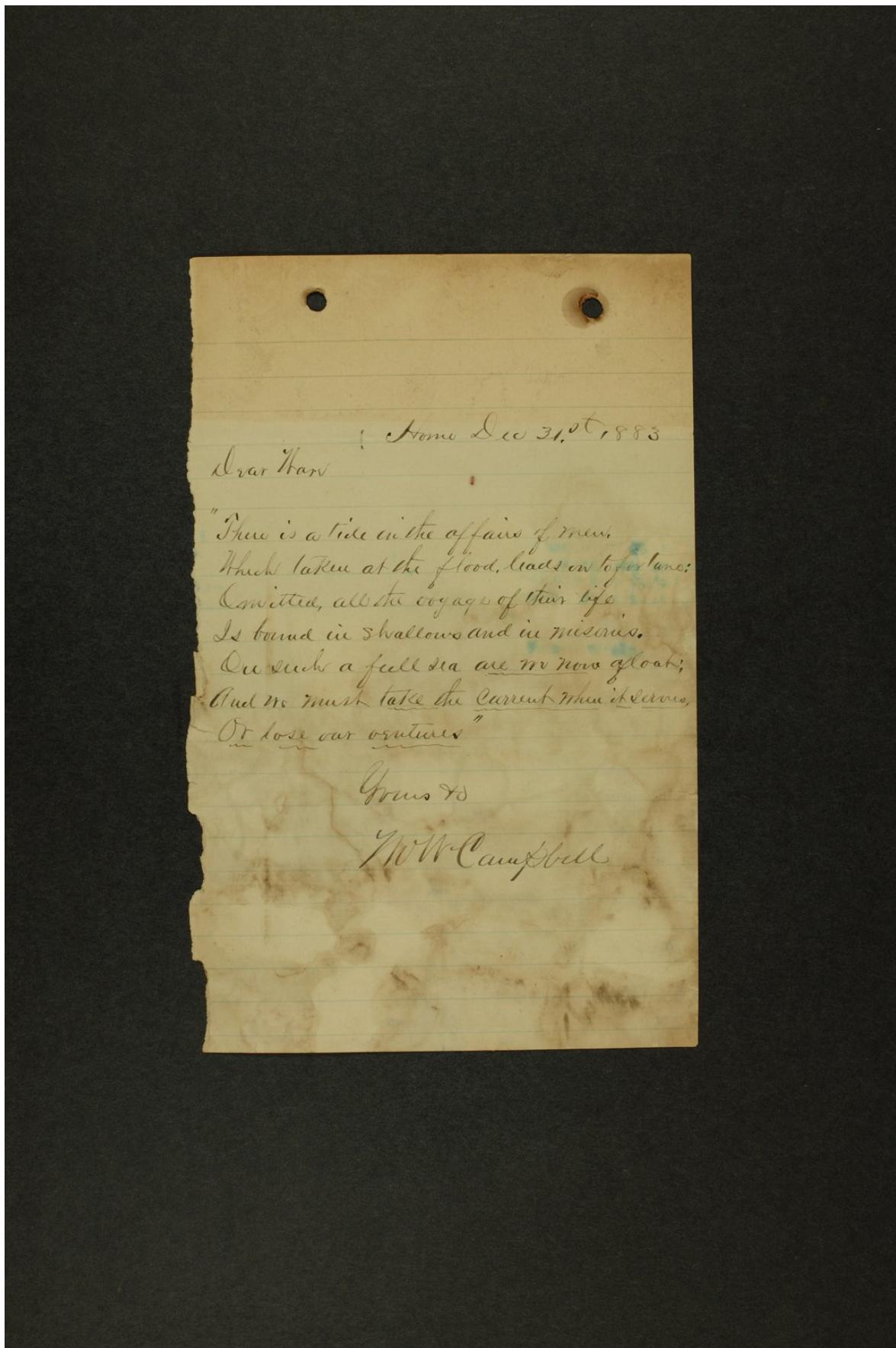


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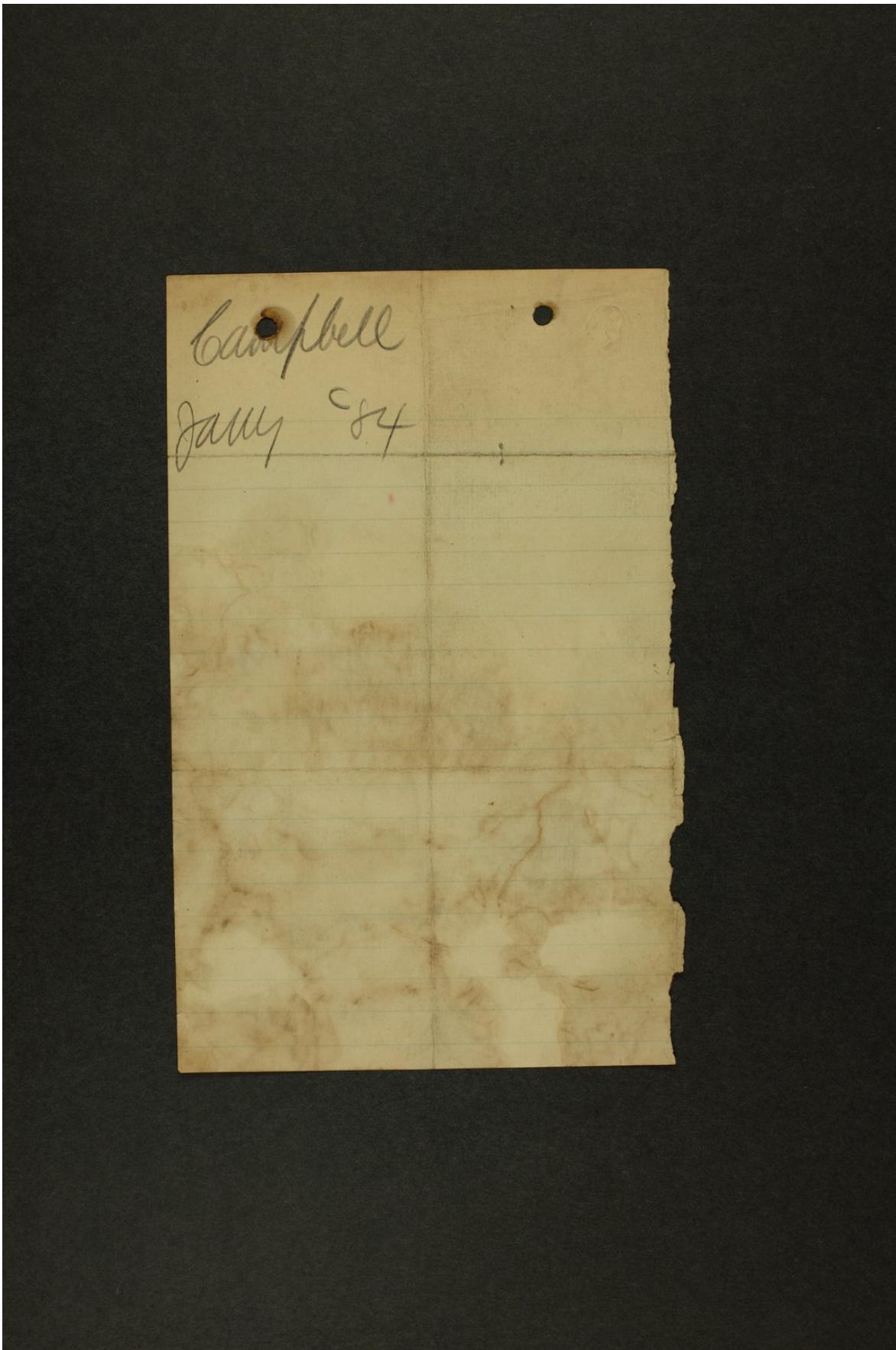


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Dec 31, 1883.

Dear Ware:

Here are my sentiments:  
I am in favor of Ward, and want  
him to receive the delegates from  
Crawford — but there are a num-  
ber of "fellows" who favor Finston,  
and they are devilish good "fellows"  
too — and, what is more, they  
are devilish good workers.  
I might mention some of their  
names — Col. C. G. Hawley, W.H.  
Merriweather, A.S. Johnson —  
Finston has written 25 or  
30 personal letters to people  
in this country. He will  
also be here to work up senti-  
ment. Now, if you should  
come down, or you should  
have some' decent good

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worker come down, & help  
you boom it.

John Bits, Gordon,  
Dr Lambert, at Hesler, and  
some fellows at Walnut ought  
to help you in Walnut township,  
and would if asked.

Then you have friends  
in Arcadia, who ought to  
help you and could help you  
in Lincoln township. Have  
some one from Scott go down  
there -

Another point. It would  
be well, if on we take any stand  
in the press, for some of your  
friends to see Chas Lucas,  
who edits the <sup>Chicago</sup> Sentinel, and  
the Flint boys who conduct  
the Bueller at Pittsburg, and

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3/  
get both of them to give you  
editorial endorsement. The  
reason this ought to be done first  
is that we have unfortunately  
been drawn into a quarrel  
with both papers, and as both  
are light weights, their pre-  
judices might make them  
take opposite sides from us.

A good card to pull on  
the Smelter would be to get  
C. Wood Davis, (you remember how  
much interested he was in the RR law)  
to work for you. He knows how  
you stood. If he went to the  
Flint with a request I think  
they would yield, unless Col. Hawley  
previously fixed them.

But, if you could personally  
see Doc. Davis, ~~Chairman~~ who  
is now chairman of our Central

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Post Script  
Dec 31/13

Ware —

A. N. Chadsey  
would be a splendid man  
to see at Cherokee.

Now — in getting an opinion  
at Pittsburg it would be a  
good plan to suggest  
the Lawrence's and such  
folks being formed on tariff —  
— as I know you are.

Also, it would be best not  
to hint to Doc James that I favor  
you — that would be no recom-  
mendation to him.

Riddell