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# The Pennsylvania Institution for the Deaf and Dumb.

A. L. E. CROUTER, SUPERINTENDENT.

*wrote names to all possible but applications were many*

LONG DISTANCE  
TELEPHONE No. 9007.

Met. Niry, Philadelphia, July 16<sup>th</sup> 1897

Pres. E. M. Gallaudet Ph.D. L.L.D.

Gallaudet College

Kendall Green, Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

It gives me pleasure to commend to your notice Miss Addie L. Postel, a recent graduate of this institution, Oral dept. Miss Postel is desirous of taking a Collegiate Course in Gallaudet College. You will find her an intelligent, industrious and capable young woman. She has been a good student with us, in every respect, and I am sure will continue in well-doing should she be so fortunate as to be admitted to your College. She speaks well, and reads the lips well. She can also use the Manual Alphabet, but I doubt if she would be able to understand a lecture in signs. Respecting for Miss Postel kindly consideration at your hands, I am,

Very truly yours

A. L. E. Crouter, Supt.

# The Pennsylvania Institution for the Deaf and Dumb.

A. L. E. CROUTER, SUPERINTENDENT.

LONG DISTANCE  
TELEPHONE No. 9007.

Mt. Airy, Philadelphia, July 17 1897

President E. M. Gallaudet. Ph.D. L.L.D.  
Gallaudet College  
Kendall Green, Washington. D.C.

Dear Sir:

I desire to enter Gallaudet College in September next, and herewith make formal application for admission. My father being dead, I am not able to defray the expense of a collegiate course, and therefore have to ask you to have the goodness to enter me as a Free Student. I am a graduate of the Penna. Institution for the Deaf and Dumb, Mt Airy, Phila, where I pursued the regular ten years course in the Oral Dept. I have passed the Entrance Examination excepting in Eng History which I hope to make up by September. Trusting that my application may have favorable consideration.

I am

Respectfully Yours  
Addie L. Postel

U. S. House of Representatives

Wm. D. C. July 19. 97

Wm. E. M. Gallaudet,

Presdt., Gallaudet College,

Wm. D. C.

The writer of the within,  
Miss Postel, has been  
recommended to my  
favor by some of  
the best people in  
Phila. I earnestly hope  
that you will be able  
in any way clear  
to grant her request.

Very truly yours

James R. Young,

M. C. 4<sup>th</sup> Dist. Pa.

419 Euclid Ave.,  
E. E. Tgh., Penna.

Dr. E. M. Gallaudet: July 25, 1897.

Dear Sir:-

My son has been attending Mt. Airy, he tried the examinations this June for college and was unsuccessful, so I thought he might make better progress if he could attend a school and be coached for the college examinations alone.

We are very much pleased

with his instruction at Mt.  
Airy, but think the preparatory  
school would be better.

Please send an application  
blank at your convenience  
Yours cordially  
Mrs. John Coakley

Amos  
cantarray

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306 Elm Street,

West Somerville, Mass.

July 29/1897

Dear Dr. Gallaudet;

I wish to make application for the position of instructor at Gallaudet College for the year beginning September 1897.

I could take Articulation work in addition to such as other classes you would wish to give me. While in Tufts College I received thorough instruction in Latin and made a specialty of French and German.



There is nothing that would please me better than to be connected with Gallaudet College. It is not a mere fancy on my part but a strong desire and my highest ambition. Of course I can work for the interest of the college wherever I am but if I were connected with it I could put forth my best efforts in its behalf. The past year has been a valuable

one for me in many respects.

I hope that you have passed a very pleasant and profitable vacation thus far and that your efforts in behalf of a college for the deaf in Great Britain will be crowned with success.

It may interest you to know that the Principal of the High School in Mystic for the past three years has recently been appointed Principal of the High School at Bran-

ford. He was Head Usher  
at our wedding, June 29th  
and is an excellent man.

Please let me hear  
from you as soon as  
convenient. I most ear-  
nestly hope that my  
application will be  
acted upon favorably.

After August 15th my  
address will be Mystic,  
Conn.

In closing, I remain  
as always

Very truly yours,  
Edward P. Clarke

The Pennsylvania Institution for the Deaf and Dumb.

*W. Geilfuss*  
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A. L. E. CROUTER, SUPERINTENDENT.

*Wm. Geilfuss*  
*At. Siry, Philadelphia,* Aug. 2, 1897.

Pres. E. M. Gallaudet, Ph. D., LL. D.,  
Gallaudet College,  
Washington, D. C.

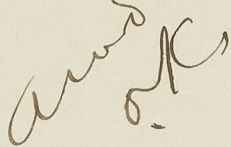
My dear Sir:-

I write in behalf of William Geilfuss, now resident in Charleston, S. C., who applies for admission to Gallaudet College this fall. He has passed the examinations prescribed by the faculty for entrance to the preparatory department, with the exception of two branches which he hopes to be able to pass satisfactorily in September. Mr. Geilfuss is a born deaf-mute. He is studious, industrious, and ambitious, and very greatly desires to take the regular course in your college. He will have to come as a Government student as his people are not in a position to pay full charges for his tuition and maintenance. I am sure, if admitted, this young man will give a good account of himself. He has been one of the best boys we have ever had in this school, upright, honest, and manly in every respect. Trusting that you will give to his application a kindly consideration, I remain,

Very respectfully yours,

*A. L. E. Crouter*  
Superintendent.

# The Pennsylvania Institution for the Deaf and Dumb.



A. L. E. CROUTER, SUPERINTENDENT.

LONG DISTANCE  
TELEPHONE No. 9007.

Met. City, Philadelphia, Aug 11<sup>th</sup>. 1897

President, E. M. Gallaudet, Ph.D. & L.L.D.

Gallaudet College

Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:-

It gives me pleasure to write a line in behalf of Sarah Goldstein of Phila. and a graduate (in June last) of this Institution, who desires to enter College at the beginning of the next term in September. Miss Goldstein is a young woman of excellent character and disposition. She is studious and industrious to a degree. She has passed your entrance examination with conditions in Physical Geo., & Eng. History which <sup>she</sup> hopes to have made up by September. As her father is a poor man Miss Goldstein is compelled to ask the favor of being placed on the Government Foundation and admitted as a free student. With Miss Goldstein will come Misses Postel & Hayden

and Messrs Guilford, Haines & Snyder all of  
whom I sincerely hope may give a good  
account of themselves in Gallaudet College.

Very truly yours  
A. S. C. Beuter.

Supt.

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# The Pennsylvania Institution for the Deaf and Dumb.

A. L. E. CROUTER, SUPERINTENDENT.

*write me*

*Mr. Hiry, Philadelphia,* Aug. 13, 1897.

Pres. E. M. Gallaudet, Ph. D., LL. D.,  
Brandford,  
Conn.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of a letter from Dr. E. A. Fay, dated 11th inst., requesting me to write you in regard to the character and attainments of Warren McGready, a former pupil of this Institution and son of Thomas McGready of Summit Hill, Pa. who has applied for the admission of his boy either to the college or to Kendall School. I am very sorry that I cannot conscientiously write you favorably in regard to this lad. His mental attainments are quite below the average, and he was compelled to leave this school last spring on account of very serious charges preferred against him at that time.

Very truly yours,

*A. L. E. Crouter*

Superintendent.

Mystic, Conn., Aug. 21/1897

Dear Dr. Galeaudet,

We have just returned from West Somerville having been delayed there one week longer than we expected.

On July 29th I wrote a letter to you sending it to London, Eng. G. Bozon, Shipley & Co. Bankers, the address which Dr. Fay furnished me with. I have heard nothing from you since and as I fear the letter never reached you, I will write you again.

I have been unsuccessful in securing a position in the East which I had hoped to do and unless I find something before we shall need to start for Ogden about the first of September. I wrote an application to you for the position of Instructor in the College at Washington. The year in Ogden was of so much value to me in many ways that I feel qualified to take up work in the college if opportunity offers. When I was in College I did

a good deal of work in Latin, ~~Greek~~<sup>German</sup> and French. My highest ambition is to be connected with Gallaudet College. Of course I can do a good deal for it if I am connected with the State schools, but not as much as <sup>I could</sup> if I were connected with the college.

I am very much interested to hear of the outcome of the meeting of the deaf in England. I earnestly hope that the efforts to found a College for the deaf there will be successful.

Mr. Henry C. Moore, who



has been Principal of the Mystic High School, for the past three years, goes to Branford next year or this Sept. rather to take charge of the High School there. He is one of our best friends and what is Mystic's loss is Branford's gain.

I am very sorry we are not to have the privilege of seeing you at the Grove Place meeting next week.

Enclosed please find a stamp for reply. Hoping to hear from you soon, I remain

Very sincerely yours,  
Edward Clarke  
Mystic, Conn.

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PUBLIC DAY SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF,

JEFFERSON SCHOOL BUILDING,  
NINTH AND WASH STREETS,  
ST. LOUIS, MO,

And stay out  
on your family

1841 Madison St.

Apr 21/97.

Dear Dr. Hallaudet:

Young Steidemann, now  
fifteen years old, is ready to  
return to College. Mrs Steidemann  
is anxious to have him go &  
at her solicitation I write to ask  
if the way is clear for his  
doing so. I have also advised  
him to return if possible.

Very truly yours,

John H. Cloud.

P.S. A fine ten pound boy  
arrived Sat Wednesday - 18<sup>th</sup> inst.  
to add joy to our already  
happy home. We now have  
a daughter & two sons - as lovely,  
bright & healthy children as  
could be desired. Come fill them.

Mystic, Conn., Aug. 22/1897.

Dear Dr. Gallaudet: -

Yours of Aug. 20th arrived soon after I had mailed my letter to you yesterday. I feel very sorry that you cannot offer me a place at Kendall Green but I do not feel discouraged and shall go to Ogden Sept. 1st and do the best work of which I am capable. I shall be prepared all the better if I ever go to the College as Instructor.

Will you kindly put my name and application on file so that if any vacancy occurs or if any addition is necessary I may hear from you.

I am very glad Mr. Driggs is to be with you the coming year. I have strong hopes also that both Miss DeLong and Mr. John Clark of the Utah School will be in the Introductory class of Gallaudet the coming Fall.

With best wishes for a most successful year for the College, I remain Very sincerely yours,  
Edward P. Clarke.



SONS OF THE  
AMERICAN REVOLUTION.

2241 E. Fifth St.  
Dayton, Ohio  
Aug 22<sup>nd</sup> 97

E. M. Gallaudet  
Washington D. C.

Dear Sir:- I have  
with me the May number of the  
Spirit of '76. Your inspiring  
resolution on the proposition of  
union, beseeching the patriotic  
but antagonistic society - the  
Sons of Revolution - to come  
together is truly admirable.  
To this, is not it grand that  
a branch should be created  
in the interests of mutes  
whose fathers fought during

the Revolution?

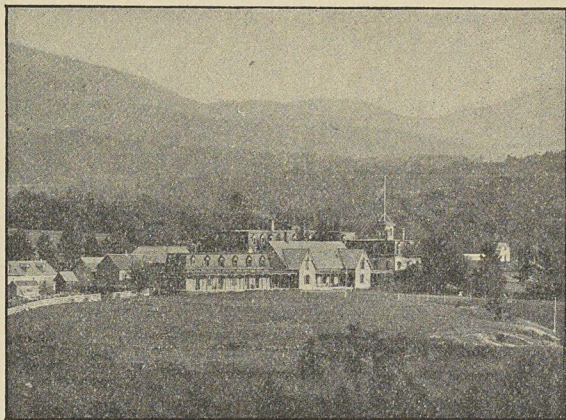
Fraternally Yours, I  
remain,

Chas H. Cory, jr  
(6<sup>th</sup> generation of Maj Henry Astell)

P.S. Miss Clara Runck will stop  
in Columbus, O on her way  
to Washington - the guest of  
Mrs. R. P. McGregor -

c.

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"He had scarcely gone a short league, when Fortune, that was conducting his affairs from good to better, discovered to him the road, where he also espied an inn. Sancho positively maintained it was an inn, and his master that it was a castle; and the dispute lasted so long that they arrived there before it was determined."

DON QUIXOTE.

Bread Loaf Inn,

Ripton, Vt., Aug 23 1897

My Dear Mr. Fowler

If you are there, and if not, whomever is looking after the mails, will you please forward to me here any letters that may have accumulated at Kendall Green, (excepting bills, which can wait till my return).

We have heard a very successful trip of nearly 1000 miles,

Taking in Colo. Springs, Salt  
Lake, Berkeley, Monterey,  
Shasta, Port and Minn.  
apolis, Duluth, <sup>the great lakes,</sup> the Thousand  
Isles, Montreal, and now  
this familiar summer  
home, not a mishap, nor  
a rainy, nor a hot day,  
in all that time.

Will tell you at  
length when I return.

Hope you are all well  
and happy.

Regards to all on  
the Green.

Yours cordially  
JW Pickering

#100. And please

Windsor Conn. Aug. 25th. 1897.  
Edward M. Gallaudet,  
Washington D. C.

Dear Doctor, No doubt you remember my son Lee, who graduated in Hartford, and went to your Institution three years ago in Sept. next. He wished to return to your school last fall, but could not then afford to send him. He still desires to go, and I am disposed to send him. The most important for him is to learn something to help him to get a living. If he could write <sup>with pen</sup> well, it would help him. He writes well enough with pencil.

He says he has secured a satisfactory <sup>fare</sup> commutation. That there is (for such) a half rate R. R. to & from Washington, &c. These and many things I will be obliged to you for information upon.

Is there anything to the "half fare" idea? Is he eligible? When does the school term begin? What would be your total charges, regarding him, for the entire season (I suppose till sometime next June? And when payable?

He thinks if he gets a literary education, then he could easily get a living by it, but I know



he will be disappointed.

A deaf person is terribly "handicapped", and must be naturally very "smart" and "cute" to even earn their own living.

Yours Very Respectfully -  
Horace Clark,

Mr. Gallaudet, I understood from your letter  
of 30th, Aug, that \$1,000<sup>00</sup> is the whole charge  
for academic year.

Lee says he must pay for books. If  
this is correct, please send bill of them to me  
and will send you check. Resp'y, Horace Clark.

Answer

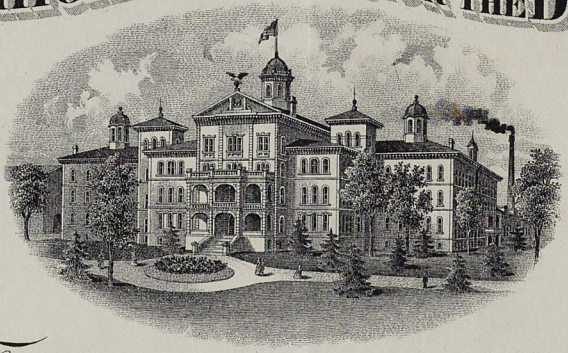
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*Anna's  
doubt that  
she will pass at least  
one exam*

# MICHIGAN SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF.

OFFICERS:  
FRANCIS D. CLARKE, Supt.  
E. F. SWAN, Steward.

## Superintendent's Office.



Dictated.

*Flint, Mich.* Sept. 3, 1897.

Dr. E. A. Fay.  
Nantucket,  
Mass.

Dear Sir:-

Miss Anna Lennon proposes to go to college and writes me to ask exactly what she will have to do in order to lift the conditions imposed upon her. She wants to know particularly whether there is any doubt about her getting into the college if she goes to the expense of going there and fails in the examination, or whether there will have to be any examination. Please let me hear from you at your earliest convenience.

With best wishes.

Sincerely yours,

*F. D. Clarke*  
Supt.

E. H. CARRELL

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and Queensware.

South West Corner Square.

and study at  
Winn & W  
come to W  
or  
points!

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Sigourney, Ia. Sept 8<sup>th</sup> 1897

Dr C. M. Gallaudet,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear sir:

I do not like to take up your time, but it seems necessary to write now.

I have just recovered from a severe illness and I am also afflicted with rheumatism so that I can not get about much. I have just had a set back and there is no telling when I can get about. It is painful to write. The doctors say I am not likely to be able to start for college by the 20<sup>th</sup>. If I can not start then I would like to know how late I can return. I would like to hear from you on this subject.

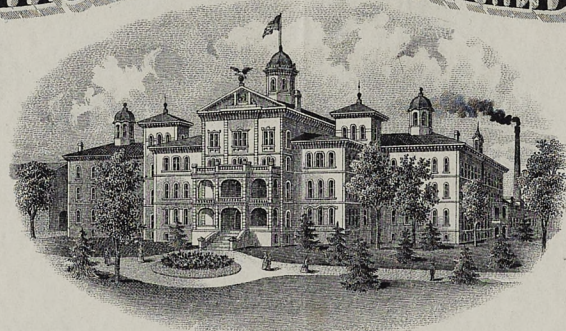
Very respectfully,  
E. H. Carrell

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# MICHIGAN SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF.

OFFICERS:  
FRANCIS D. CLARKE, Supt.  
E. F. SWAN, Steward.

## Superintendent's Office.



Dictated.

*Flint, Mich.* Sept. 13, 1897.

Dr. E. M. Gallaudet,  
Kendall Green,  
Washington, D. C.

My dear Doctor:-

I enclose you a letter from Miss Lennon which ought to have been written to you instead of me. Please answer direct to her.

We open school day after to-morrow and I am quite busy, but will write you all about Milwaukee at my first leisure. There is not much to tell.

Hoping that you will have a good year at the college, I am

Sincerely yours,

*F. D. Clarke*

# The Pennsylvania Institution for the Deaf and Dumb.

A. L. E. CROUTER, SUPERINTENDENT.

LONG DISTANCE  
TELEPHONE No. 9007.

Met. City, Philadelphia, Sept. 14<sup>th</sup> 1897

President E. M. Gallaudet Ph. D. L. L. D.  
Gallaudet College,  
Kendall Green, Washington, D. C.

Dear President Gallaudet:

It gives me pleasure to state that I am personally acquainted with Miss Edith Baker Pyle of Wilmington, Del., and that I regard her as a young woman of very superior character and attainments. She is well educated, of excellent family, and high moral standing. Having expressed a desire to become a teacher of the deaf I have suggested to Miss Pyle the great advantage a course in your Normal Department will prove to her, and she therefore desires to become a member of this year's class.

I admitted I am sure you will find in her a faithful, hard-working member.

Very truly yours  
A. L. E. Crouter, Supt.



Bishopstead,  
Wilmington,  
Delaware,

Sept. 15<sup>th</sup> 1894.

The undersigned has much pleasure in commending Miss Edith Baker Kyle as one who he thinks is well calculated for the work which she seeks at the Columbia Institution at Washington, and who is deserving of esteem and confidence.

Leighton Colman  
Bishop of Delaware.

4931 Indiana Avenue -  
Chicago - Sept. 19<sup>th</sup> 1899 -  
Dr Gallaudet, -

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Dear Sir. -

Before introducing the subject on which I wish to consult you - let me tell you that after leading a life of active bodily & mental labor as a professional landscape gardener, I am now in my 83<sup>rd</sup> year in excellent health though too feeble for using a more ponderous tool than my pen, and suffering as most old people do from deafness so that I can hear no sound of ordinary conversation. This has naturally led me to think much of those unfortunate beings to whose relief your life has been devoted, and the subject has presented itself to my mind in a light which seems to me worthy of serious consideration. -

"We are accustomed to look only with pity upon the deaf & dumb and the fact is obvious that we possess a power that is denied to them, - but on the other hand they have acquired a means of communicating thoughts and feelings which very few of us



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possess, and which would sometimes be almost invaluable. - I have seen deaf & dumb people talking and laughing with each other with perfect ease under circumstances which rendered ordinary conversation nearly or quite impossible. - I need not enlarge to you, on this subject - but to come to the point - if every child was taught to talk with his fingers, - it seems to me it would not only add inestimably to the comfort & happiness of persons in my condition, but would have a very important bearing on national affairs.

If I am correct in this idea, the work can be easily accomplished by making it obligatory in all public schools to teach the deaf & dumb language. -

It would soon come to be regarded as essential, and any one who had not acquired it would be looked as we now do upon one who cannot read or write. - Moreover, after it had become thus universal it would no longer be necessary to teach it in the schools, for every child would be expected

to learn it before coming to school.<sup>3</sup> -

My very old friend and former business partner. (Mr. W. H. R. French) gave me your address and authorized me to use his name as an introduction. -

May I ask you to be kind enough to let me know if you approve my suggestion & if so can you give me any hints as to how I can best use my pen for its promotion? -

If it is possible for me to be of service in such a cause, I would enter upon it with the conviction that I could make no better use of what is left to me of life.

Truly & respectfully  
Yours

H. W. S. Cleveland.

P.S. - I do not know whether the dumb language is the same in different countries, - that is, whether a sign would express the same meaning to an Englishman, a Frenchman or a German. If so its advantages are obvious &

at all events it will be much easier to construct a universal language of signs than of words.

Very likely all this has been thought of before but I am ignorant of the fact, and write only because I feel strongly impressed with the importance of the subject.

September 24. 1897

AMERICAN EMBASSY,

LONDON.

Dear Dr. Gallaudet

In Mr. White's absence,  
I have much pleasure in enclosing  
herewith at the Ambassador's request  
a letter from the Acting Minister  
of Foreign Affairs of Sweden to  
our Minister at Stockholm, which  
has just been received at this

Dr. E. M. Gallaudet

Embassy

Columbia Institution for

Deaf &amp; Dumb

Washington. D. C.

Embassy, having been sent  
by Mr. Ferguson who requests  
that it be forwarded to you -

You will perceive from its  
content that your request  
in regard to the publication  
of the "Columbia Institution  
for the Deaf and Dumb" at Washington

has

has been complied with -

Believe me,

Dear Doctor Gallaudet,  
with my regards,

Yours very sincerely,  
John Ridgely Barber

Enclosure

Letter from the Foreign Office at Stockholm  
to Mr. Ferguson - 20<sup>th</sup> August 1897

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THE PLACE TO

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## R. G. Clark's



## Shoe House.



Panguitch, Utah *Sept 4, 1897*

Principal Galladart College  
Washington D. C.

Dear Sir

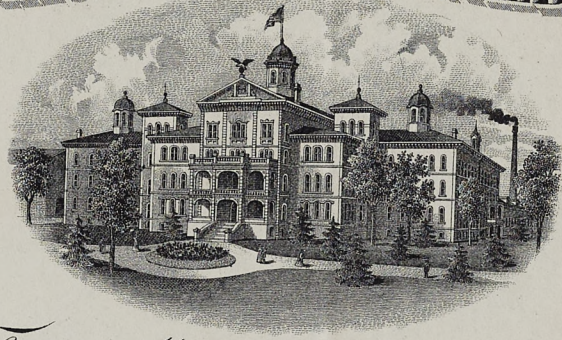
We have sent you our son J. H. Clark  
 who lost his hearing at a young  
 age, we have made strenuous efforts  
 to keep him talking as we feel  
 his speech would be of more  
 importance than even any Education  
 -ow but with his speech and an  
 Education, he can probably pass  
 through the world fairly well,  
 we desire therefore that you make  
 it a special interest with his  
 teachers to keep him talking we have  
 always found him lacking in that  
 interest when coming home from school  
 as he is rather enclined to the sign  
 language your most truly  
 J. G. Clark

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# MICHIGAN SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF.

OFFICERS:  
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## Superintendent's Office.



Dictated.

*Flint, Mich.* Sept. 30, 1897.

Dr. E. M. Gallaudet,  
Gallaudet College,  
Kendall Green, Washington, D. C.

My Dear Doctor:-

I enclose you a letter from Hon. A. M. Todd, about Miss Anna Lennon. I do not know for certain whether Miss Lennon went to the college or not. I expected to have the letter in time to send it with her, but did not receive it in time.

I will write you, however, at my first leisure, but I am so over-run with visitors, and the little things which come up at the beginning of school, that at present I have no time to write to you.

Sincerely,

*F. D. Clarke*  
Supt.



## PUBLIC DAY SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF,

JEFFERSON SCHOOL BUILDING,  
NINTH AND WASH STREETS,  
ST. LOUIS, MO.1841 Madison St.  
10/13/97

Dear Dr Gullaudet:

Will you kindly advise me what are the essential requirements for the admission of a young hearing lady to the Normal Course at Kendall Green? I have in mind a most worthy young lady who has nearly completed the City High School course who desires to qualify as a teacher of the deaf. She is one whom I would gladly recommend for a position in my school in case there was an opening.

Has a place been selected for the Teachers Convention next Summer? If not about how soon will the matter come up for consideration in your Committee? Will you not be able to visit us this year? Could not you be with us Dec 10<sup>th</sup>? Your friends out here would be glad to have you come & we will arrange some thing worthy of the occasion if you say you will be here.

Our school has an unusually large attendance for this season. Every thing is running smoothly at this end of the bridge. Mr Philip H Brown 93, an eye from La. is with us & has been for several weeks. At the Public Opinion reading next Friday he will read your very interesting article in the last number of the Annals -

Our youngest son was baptized last Sunday at the Cathedral by Bp. Tuttle - whom you remember - receiving the name of George Herbert.

Mrs Cloud & Mr Brown send you kindest regards.

Sincerely yours,  
Just H. Cloud.

Dr. E. M. Hallaudet,  
Washington,  
D.C.

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Office of THE CENTURY CO.

No. 33 East 17th St. (Union Square), New York, N. Y.

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United States of America.

THIS SIDE IS FOR THE ADDRESS ONLY.

James Devison  
Kendall Green  
Washington  
D.C.

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Georgia School for the Deaf.  
Cave Spring, Ga.

October 30, 1897

Dr E. M. Gallaudet  
Presid. Gallaudet College  
Washington, D.C.

My Dear Doctor:

Your favor of the 22<sup>d</sup>, with  
enclosure, received, and I will try  
to answer you, as I know you want  
me to. Consider what I have to say  
as confidential.

The young man is black or near  
so, and usually is one of the best  
specimens of his race that I know,  
but really I hardly think that he is  
such a person intellectually, as you  
would wish to send out from the  
Normal Department of Gallaudet College.

## Georgia School for the Deaf.

Cave Spring, Ga.

He has been in school pretty <sup>189</sup> much  
all of his life, since he was old enough  
to enter school, and you can form  
some idea of his use of the English  
language from his letters, and in  
addition to this, I very much doubt  
if he will ever gain much insight  
into the real difficulties that lie in  
the way of educating the deaf.

With kind regards,

I am, Yours sincerely,  
W. O. Curran

558 Sixty third St Station O Chicago Dec 13

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J C Gordon Esq  
Professor Mathematics  
Gallaudet College  
Washington D C Dr Sir

We have an order for the sum  
of twenty eight (\$2800) dollars Payable on or before the 15th  
of July 1897 Given by you to our agent Mr Gottra for one  
set of Cowles & improved Mathematical Blocks We also have  
a note from you to our Mr Gottra in which you say  
Mr Fowler the disbursing agent request us not to draw  
upon him and the bill will be paid when due  
We have waited long and have come to the conclusion  
that by some error our bill has been overlooked or mistaid  
Will you kindly assist us to obtain our money

Yours Respt

Cowles & Webster

LONG DISTANCE  
TELEPHONE No. 90-07.Mt. Airy, Philadelphia, Pa., Dec 4<sup>th</sup> 1897

Dear President Gallaudet:

I regret very greatly that on account of imperative business engagements I shall not be able to be present at the banquet on the 10th. inst. I am compelled to leave for Florida on Monday morning and cannot possibly be back in time. I had hoped to be able to postpone this trip until after the 10th, but it is out of the question, and the interest at stake is too great for me to neglect.

I can assure you of a hearty and most cordial welcome at the hands of Gallaudet Alumni of Phila. Wishing you an enjoyable visit, and again regretting my enforced absence, I am,

Most Cordially Yours  
A. L. E. Crouter.

Pres. E. M. Gallaudet Ph.D., LL.D. }



PUBLIC DAY SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF,  
JEFFERSON SCHOOL BUILDING,  
NINTH AND WASH STREETS,  
ST. LOUIS, MO.

12/15/97.

Dear Mr Gallaudet:

The enclosure speaks for itself. I hope the boy will be sent to school.

With its compliments of the season I am

Sincerely yours  
Jas H. Cloud

P.S. I have written Mr Gray that his letter has been referred to you. Our "Gallaudet Day" celebration was a success in every sense of the word. Attendance exceeded expectations - was the largest yet on such an occasion.

J.H.C.