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Box 55

W. V. Collins

Lafayette Indⁿ

Apr. 4, 1881.

Dear Sir:-

I am not personally acquainted with Malin V. Collins; a deaf mute residing in my Congressional District, but am reliably informed that he is a young man of good character and excellent habits, and from such information I cheerfully recommend his admission to the National Deaf Mute College.

Yours truly
Godolph. Ooth

G. M. Gallaudet
Pres. &c. &c.

M. C. 9th Ind. Dist.

Zipton Ind. Mar. 9. 1881.

Mr. C. W. Gallaudet President
National Deaf-mute College.

Dear Sir,

I have a son in our State
Institution for the D. & D., who will graduate
in June. His name is Malin W.
He is anxious to take a course in the
College at Washington D. C.

He became deaf from spotted fever
while I was in the Army.

I am not able to send him and
pay the expenses. As he is so anxious
and a good young man I want to
enquire whether he could be helped
by the Hon. Board of Directors.

An early reply will oblige
Yours Truly,

G. W. Collins

State Asst. Surgeon 17th Ind vols

Superintendent,
J. W. STOUT.
Pres. Board,
L. T. BUNCH.
Secretary,
H. MEHLIG.
Treasurer
Dr. G. M. COLLINS.

M. J. MALLERY,

— Principal Dipton High School. —

Dipton, Ind. Aug 9th 1881.

E. M. Gallaudet Pres. N. D. M. College

Dear Sir,

Enclosed please find recommendations relative to my son M. V. who wishes to enter your College this coming term.

If anything further is required please inform me. I wrote you formerly that we were not able to pay the usual expenses, but I infer from the enclosed letter recd. in March that the board will favor us in this regard as I was an officer in the U. S. Army.

Yours truly

G. M. Collins

Late Asst. Surgeon

17 Ind. Vols.

Lafayette Ind^{ca}

Apr 4, 1881,

My dear Sir:-

Your favor of the 28th
ult^o sent to Washington
reached us here this evening.

I cheerfully comply
with your request, by sending
you herewith the recommendation
you desire.

Yours truly
Godwin P. Orth

Do G. McCollier

Tipton

Ind^{ca}

Inst. Inst. for D & D.
March 26. 1881.

Dr. W. Glenn
Supt.

Sir: Malin V. Collins,
now a member of the Senior Grade
of the Academic Dept. of this Inst.,
is a young man of good moral
character, of fair average capacity,
above the average of his class in
scholarship & of industrious habits.

I cheerfully recommend him as a
proper person, when qualified, for
admission to the National Deafmute
College at Washington.

Respectfully,

H. S. Gillet,

Teacher.

Indiana Institution for
Educating the deaf & dumb
Indianapolis March 26/80

E. M. Gallaudet

Pres. National deaf Mute
College. Wash. D.C.

Dear Sir:

The statements of Prof.
H. S. Gillet in the accompanying
note in regard to Maliv O
Collins a student in this
Institution, I fully endorse,
and cordially recommend
him for admission to the
National deaf Mute college.

Very Respectfully

Wm. D. Lewis
Supt.

J. N. Booker

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Quincy Ill.
Sept 5th '81

E. M. Galladue,

Dear Sir:

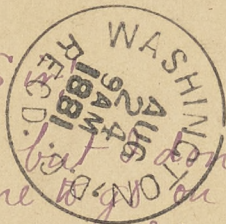
Your letter & catalogue were received a few days ago. I found out that it was necessary to furnish letters of recommendations for me from my principal & member of Congress in the ~~district~~ district in which I live, and the charge for board & tuition in the College is \$150⁰⁰ for the academic yr.

But I have just come and
board here last July and
lived in Augusta Hancock Co
Ill. about 7 years. I dont know
who the member of congress and
also what district I live in, here,
Dr. P. G. Gillett my principal will
furnish a letter of recommendation.
But I think I cant go to college
as I cant afford to pay \$150
per year and had better
stay here another year in order
to get ^{sufficient} money. I wish I would
go to college ^{this year} and
stay there ^{some years} in the district of
Columbia or the surround-
ing states where I get a situation
for I could not come here or

elsewhere, Hope you can do
the best for me and many
thanks,

Yours Respectfully
Geo. M. Booker,

Quincy Ill
August 22nd 81.



Dear S
I feel like I wish to go to
College but don't know how much it
costs me to go on the train & stay at college.
Let me know this or if you can send me
a Catalogue or Pamphlet. I have been a
scholar at the Ill Dist for 8 + 8 for 9 years
and have completed the school but I
feel like I never finish the education
which seems to be an everlasting schooling
life.

Yours Respectfully

Geo. M. L. W. Booker
Quincy Ill.



WRITE THE ADDRESS ON THIS SIDE—THE MESSAGE ON THE OTHER

Thomas, Gallaudet
President of the Nat. S. M. Coll
Washington
D. C.

G. H. Allen

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Chatfield,
Mar. 5, '81

Dear Sir:

I have received
the examination papers.

I desire to enter the
Advanced Preparatory
Class in the Fall. I
can say that I am
prepared for it. I
think Mr. Stokes has
written you about it.

Please let me know if I
can enter as a free scholar.
My means do not allow
me to pay, except for
books & clothes.

I am,

Very truly Yours,

George H. Allen.

Watoma, Minn.

Aug. 30, 1881.

Prof. Gallacher

Dear Sir:

Geo. H.

Alm, a deaf & dumb mute
& a graduate of the S & D
Institute at Fairbault, Minn.
desires admission as a
free student into the college
at Washington & is also
rated by Prof. Hayes that
he can cordially recommend
him - He resides at Chat-
-field, Fillmore Co. Minn. in
my Congressional District -

Will you please inform me
at an early day, as the young
man is anxious & the time is
short. Yours truly

Wash N. Sumrell,
N. C.

Chatfield, Aug. 12.

My Dear Sir.

I desire to enter
the College in the Fall.

Mr. Dinnell, M.C. promised
me last June that he
would send you recommen-
dations. Mr. Ames in-
forms me that he, himself,
has already sent you
all necessary papers.

I desire to enter on
a free scholarship as
before stated. I am
16 years old & have been
attending school at the
Min. Inst. for 8 years.

Please inform me of
the date of opening of
the College & all other

information necessary.

I have been delayed
from applying before by
my physician, but now
he thinks it safe to
go to college.

I am, very truly yours.

George N. Allen.

P. O. Box 259.

Chaffield
Maine.

Charfield, Minn.

Oct 7, '81

Dear Mr. Gallaudet

I arrived home safely this
Morn. & am beginning
to feel better. I
spit up quantities
of blood on the
way. Will you
please do me the favor
to send me a certificate
of my passing examination
& my conduct during
the short stay at the
college? I desire to
be armed with that

document so I can
prove the untruthfulness
of all suggestions by
persons here that I
may have failed
to pass examination or
was sent away for
some offence. I would
be very much obliged
if you would send such
a paper as soon as
you get this. Enclosed
you will find stamp
for reply.

With regards to all.

I remain, Yrs truly
George Allen.

Chatfield, Apr. 25 '81

Dear Sir.

Will you be so kind as to send me Specimen Examination papers? I was recently compelled to give up my studies at the Minn. Inst. on account of poor health. It has been my intention, for some time past, to enter the Advanced Preparatory class in the Fall. If you can send me the papers, I would be very thankful. Direct to P.O. box, 259, Chatfield, Fillmore Co., Minnesota.

Very truly Yours.

George H. Allen.

MINNESOTA INSTITUTION
FOR THE
Education of the Deaf and Dumb.

Superintendent's Office.

Faibault, Aug. 25th 1881.

Pres. S. M. Gallaudet,
Washington D. C.

My Dear Sir:

George
H. Allen, who graduated last June,
desires me to write you again.
He was a good, upright,
faithful boy here. If his
health holds out, he will
make a brilliant scholar in
College, I think. He will
need checking occasionally to pre-
vent him from too close con-
finement. He left school a few
weeks before the term closed
on account of poor health, but
he says he is all right now.

Sincerely yours

J. L. Hayes,
Supt.

J. H. Burdham
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Burdham
N. Y. City
Sept 26th/81

Edward M. Gallaudet Esq
L. L. D.
National Deaf Mute College, Washington
Dear Sir

I am in receipt of two letters from you, for both of which I beg to thank you very cordially. They show an interest in my son, which I had no right to expect and which I can attribute to no other cause, than to the native kindness of your heart. The decision of the Faculty in John's case, I regard as eminently proper and wise. In holding the balance between the college and the student their action was just in all respects. Having a somewhat extended experience myself in these matters, I am

perfectly satisfied that you have done
the very best thing. I will say, however,
that while I blame the boy himself because
of his inadequate preparation, I attach a
great deal more blame to Carmansville
where he spent ~~three~~ years. Of that Institution
from an educational point of view or indeed
from any other, I never formed a high estimate.
I think less of it now than ever.

Since you ^{have been} so kind already, may I request
as an additional favor, that John's progress
in his studies be reported to me from time
to time. Even at this distance I can check
any collegiate faults or indiscretions.

Both the President of the Normal College
and myself would be glad to receive you
when you come to the city. We will
show you all over the building, and
conduct you through the classrooms.
Hoping that the pleasure of your visit is
in store for us, I remain Dear Sir
very gratefully yours
A. H. Dundon



September 12th 1881

My dear Sir

John Henry Dundon of
Fordham in New York City desires to be
admitted to the Deaf and Dumb Col-
lege Washington D.C. He is the son
of Prof. Dundon of this City one of
our most worthy citizens, and he is
extremely anxious that his son may
be admitted to the College of which
you are President.

I sincerely hope that you
may be able to accede to his request
and I should deem it a personal
favor if it can be done.

Very respectfully yours

Rev. T. M. Gallaudet S. L. D. Waldo Hutchins
Washington D.C. H

Fordham N. Y.
June 20 - 1887

President Galludet

Dear Sir

Will you please inform me as to the studies required for the freshman's examination to your College, also as to the time of examination and entrance, with such other particulars as you may deem necessary.

I have a son who purposes to become a student there.

By complying with the above request you will oblige

Yours truly

A. H. Dunder

address over

Address

A. H. Dundon
Fordham
N. Y. City

NEW YORK INSTITUTION
FOR THE
INSTRUCTION OF THE DEAF & DUMB

Station M, New York City.

PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE, Sept 15 1881

C. M. Gallaudet Ph.D. Lh. D.
President National College for
Deaf Mutes
Dear Sir;

I take great pleasure in introducing to your favorable notice John H. Dandou a recent graduate of this Institution who possesses qualities of head and heart, which, I hope, will win your esteem and confidence. If, as I think, he will be able to do, he obtains admission into the College, I have no doubt he will endeavor to keep up with his class, and to conform strictly to the spirit and letter of

the regulations prescribed.

The home influence which he enjoys is of the most beneficial character, his father being an educator of distinction and Vice President of the Female Normal College in this City, and his mother a lady of great intelligence and refinement.

I think you will find in him a desirable acquisition

Very Truly & Respectfully,
Yours
J. D. Put
Principal

and

Fordham Ridge
24th Ward
N. Y. City
Sept 17th /81

F. M. Gallaudet Esq
L. L. D. President of Deaf Mute University
Near Six

On behalf of my
son, John Henry Dundon who happens to be
my only child, I take the liberty of applying
for admission to your University.

The boy is now a few months beyond seven-
teen, and has been deprived of hearing from
his ninth year owing to an attack of
Meningitis. Since his deafness, he has been
educated under private tutors at home,
later, he spent two years in Carmansville,
from whence he graduated in the June of this
year. Of his fitness for college
work, I shall not speak. That matter will
be very properly determined by your Faculty.
I will say, however, that he has a great

love for reading, has in fact read extensively, and has acquired in one way or another, a large stock of general information. You will, I trust, pardon my allusion to this circumstance - I merely mention it, because, knowledge of this kind while it deserves recognition, can not be shown in a formal examination.

I enclose a letter from our Congressman Mr Hutchings, also, one from my friend Mr McElhone of your city. There is another from ex Congressman the Honorable John B Haskin to Speaker Randall which I take the liberty of forwarding to you, for the reason that Mr Randall may probably be absent and may fail to receive it. The last of these enclosures is from Dr Peet who speaks of my son's manners and habits from personal observation -

I have nothing to add, save this, that I shall consider it a piece of rare good fortune for John to succeed in being placed under your charge, as well as a genuine satisfaction to yours,
Dear Sir, very truly,
A. H. Burdett

Edw. Cleary

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Sir July 29, 181.

Dear Sir

I have been in the
Deaf Mute School here for
five years. Prof R. P. McGregor
taught me. I studied the
Histories of the U. S. and England
Grammar, Geography, Arithmetic
Natural Philosophy - I want
to be admitted to your college.
I am 16 years old. Please
send me information at
once, & how to get to
Washington & find out where the college
is. Write to my brother
Richard A. Cleary. Atty at

Law, Care Philip P. Boggs
N. E. Cor 5th and Main Sts
Cincinnati O. Please do not
fail to write to him

Yours truly

E. D. D. Chaney

215 Longworth St
Cincinnati
O.

Answer

Colorado Springs
Colorado.

Sept 19th 1881

E. M. Gallaudet

Pres. Nat. S. M. College

My Dear Pres.

I should have written you before this, as per promise, in regard to Edward Cleary but the confusion incident to my removal to this place prevented.

Edward has been a pupil of mine for a little over five years in the Cincinnati School. You will find him a bright intelligent boy, quick to learn anxious to excel and of unexceptional character. He is not very robust, as you will see, & I think that instead of being urged forward he will occasionally need restraint, for he is apt to overdo himself when it comes to competing with others in his studies.

and unless he is very careful of his health he will break it down— one of his sisters died of consumption only a year ago + his oldest brother was obliged, last winter, to give up his practice as a Lawyer in Cincinnati on account of the same complaint + seek a milder climate. He is now located in Atlanta Ga, if I mistake not.

It was Edward's intention to remain at school in Cui. two years longer to prepare himself for admission to the Freshman Class but my withdrawal has induced him to seek admission to the Prep. Class so much sooner.

He is well advanced in English Composition, U. S. + Ancient + Modern History + Geography. He studied English Grammar a few months last term but is not very well up in that + Arithmetick.

I did not desire him to come to you for two or three years yet but under the circumstances I could not advise him to

remain in the Emmetts School
& as his family are strong Catholics
— one of his uncles is or was a
Bishop of that Church & one of
his sisters is a nun, now teaching
in a Catholic School in Boston —
they have a strong prejudice
against the State Inst. at Columbus
& would not hear of sending him
there, so I thought the best thing
I could do would be to recommend
him to Hon Ben Patterson as
a candidate for admission to the
College, which I did, & I hope you
will find him a more attentive
& studious boy than his late
teacher was at about the same
age & in the same place.

Please inform him that
I would be happy to hear
from him & that my address
is P.O. box 21.

The Inst. here will not
open until Oct. 20th on account
of delay in building the new
wing &c. I am putting in

my time visiting the many
Charming & beautiful resorts around
here, hunting, climbing the moun-
tains & getting acquainted generally
which I find to be quite as agreeable
as working in the school room,
& if you should ever favor us
with a visit out here I shall
be amply qualified to act as
guide to you & it will give
me the greatest pleasure to
do so.

Hoping that the College,
my Alma Mater, will continue
to prosper & flourish under
your care & am

Yours Sincerely
R. P. McGregor

House of Representatives.

Curtis O

~~Washington~~, D. C. Aug 20 1881

E. M. Gallaudet. Pres.
National D. D. Institution
Washington.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the requirements of the D. D. College of which you are President, I write this letter asking the free admission to your college of Edward P. Cleary a deaf mute of this city.

Though I am not personally acquainted with him, he brings me very high recommendations from those who know him — He is industrious, intelligent and very anxious to receive a thorough education and is I think in every respect worthy of free admission to your college. He is a citizen, & resident of my District

Very Respectfully
B. Butterworth

In Re

Mannix & Cosgrave,
Attorneys at Law,

Rooms 1, 3, & 5, N. E. Corner Fifth and Main Sts.

Cincinnati, August 29th 1881

E. M. Gallaudet Pres.
National D. D. College
Washington. D. C.

Dear Sir:

Will you please inform me whether the letter of the Hon. E. Butterworth of congressman from this district, recommending the free admission to your college of Edward P. Cleary of this city, was favorably received by you.

Also what if any are the necessary expenses of a free student at your college. Hoping most earnestly that your answer to my first inquiry will be one of joy for this young boy I remain,

Sincerely yours
Philip O. Cosgrave