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Box 46

A. C. THOMPSON  
ATTORNEY-AT-LAW.

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*doubtful  
must hear from  
Bangs.*

ADAMS, N. DAK. July 3rd, 1906.

Dr. Gallaudet,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir,--

I have your letter in regard to Olga Anderson. You say that she failed to pass in arithmetic at the Devils Lake School, but if that is the only subject that she failed in ~~xxxxxxx~~ could she not be allowed to enter your College this fall on condition that she make this up. That will be only one condition, and I understand that some enter with more than one. Kindly let me know whether she would be allowed to enter with this one condition, or in case she can pass an examination in this subject on entering this fall will she be allowed to attend.

Truly Yours

*A. C. Thompson*

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N. D.

July 3rd, 1906.

Dr. Galtner,

Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir,--

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Truly yours

A. C. Thompson

and  
a very good  
reason next year  
would have a  
favorable  
influence  
on that.

Erasmus Hall  
HIGH SCHOOL  
WALTER B. GUNNISON,  
PRINCIPAL.

BROOKLYN, N. Y., July 8 1906.

Dr. E. M. Gallander  
Gallander College,  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Dr Gallander:

I have been thinking over my  
sister Louise's next year at college and  
then of the years after that year and I  
cannot feel that if she quits June 07  
that she will be fitted to face the  
struggle for existence alone. If she  
can get her four years of college work  
she might venture to teach some day.  
You certainly have a course with less  
mathematics required than Louise  
has done. Why will it not be  
feasible to have her make up her  
history with me this summer and  
then there is nothing lacking but  
the geometry. Cannot we map  
out a course leading to more work  
in literature and English.

I realize that Louise is very

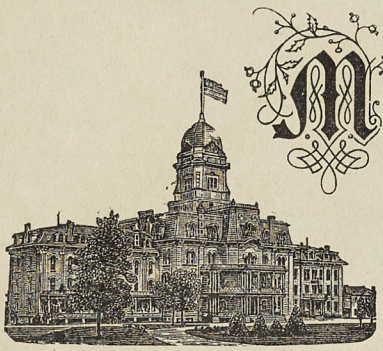
conscientious and very immature, but what means have we for doing anything for her outside of educating her? It may have to be done in a somewhat slow and irregular fashion, but I am willing to make any effort within my power to ameliorate the conditions under which Nature has invited her to dwell here on earth. Possibly if she were to relinquish her scholarship and do work as a pay pupil, more time might be asked. Set me know about this won't you. Louise is a dear girl with some good sense and many sterling qualities and I would sacrifice a great deal to have her get some of the best things in this world.

Sincerely

Kate E. Turner

Marion

Mass.



# Minnesota School for the Deaf

J. N. TATE, SUPERINTENDENT

A FREE SCHOOL FOR ALL CHILDREN OF SOUND MIND AND BODY IN THE STATE WHO CANNOT, BY REASON OF DEAFNESS, BE PROPERLY EDUCATED IN THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS. INDUSTRIAL INSTRUCTION IS MADE AN IMPORTANT FEATURE OF THE COURSE OF STUDY.

Subject:

FARIBAULT, MINN., July 14, 1906.

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

Dear Doctor Gallaudet:--

Fred O'Donnell wishes to return to College this fall and desires some assistance. Is there anything connected with his leaving or his conduct there in College that should cause me to hesitate to recommend the setting apart of some money for his use?

I trust that the summer is proving to be a good one to you.

Very cordially,

*J. N. Tate*  
Superintendent

A Free Public School for the Deaf  
Children of the State.  
No Charge for Board, Books or Tuition.  
E. S. TILLINGHAST,  
Superintendent.

OREGON SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF.

*Answer*

Salem, Ore.

July 15th, '06

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

My Dear Dr. Gallaudet,

I note from your letter that two boys from this school, Bird Craven, and Emery Vinson, are entitled to admission to the college next fall. I presume it is necessary for them to be recommended by a member of the Congressional delegation from this state. As the two Congressmen are under indictment, I suppose letter from either of the Senators or the Congressmen elect will be satisfactory.

Yours sincerely,

*E. S. Tillinghast*



Sauville, Ky. <sup>559</sup>

July 29<sup>th</sup> 86

Dr. E. M. Gallaudet,

Dear Sir:-

I desire a position as matron in an institution. I am 46 yrs old and have been a resident of Sauville, Ky. the most of my life.

Besides the practical experience in a home of my

now many years, for the last  
six years I have had charge  
of a home of boarders.

If there is a vacancy in  
your school and you think  
favourably of my application  
I can furnish any kind  
of references and further  
information

Yours very truly -

Mrs. Mary L. Taylor.

Balance due *to* United States *June 30*, 190*4* by this settlement,  
Balance due *to* United States, 190*6*, by account rendered,  
Difference to *Special Disbursing Agents* debit,  
Difference explained:

\$ *167 23*  
*000*  
\$ *167 23*

*Statement of differences herewith*

LAND, FILES, AND MISC. DIVISION.  
Form No. 3435.—Ed. Sept. 14 04 500.

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT AND CERTIFICATE OF SETTLEMENT.

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE  
AUDITOR FOR THE INTERIOR DEPARTMENT,

Washington, D. C., August 14, 1906

No. 14,633  
(MISCELLANEOUS.)

Wallace G. Fowler

Special Disbursing Agent, Columbia Institution for the Deaf and Dumb ACCOUNT WITH THE UNITED STATES.

| PERIOD.  |              | DEBITS.                                |                           |                                     |              |                                      | CREDITS.                                      |   |                               |                                |              |
|--|--------------|--|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------|--------------------------------------|---|---|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------|
| APPROPRIATIONS.  | FISCAL YEAR. | BALANCE PER LAST SETTLEMENT No. 13,914 | ADVANCES ON REQUISITIONS. | BALANCE DUE FROM THE UNITED STATES. | TOTAL.       | BALANCE PER LAST SETTLEMENT No. .... | DISBURSEMENTS AS SHOWN BY VOUCHERS SUBMITTED. | OUTSTANDING DEBIT DIFFERENCES NOW CREDITED. | REPAYMENTS TO APPROPRIATIONS. | BALANCE DUE THE UNITED STATES. | TOTAL.       |
| April 1 <sup>st</sup> to June 30, 1906                             |              |  |                           |                                     |              |                                      |   |   |                               |                                |              |
| Columbia Institution for the Deaf and Dumb.                        | 1906         | \$ 4,151.47                            | \$ 13,000.00              | \$ 17,151.47                        | \$ 17,151.47 |                                      | \$ 16,984.24                                  |   |                               | \$ 167.23                      | \$ 17,151.47 |
| Buildings and Grounds, Columbia Institution for the Deaf and Dumb. |              | 455.92                                 |                           |                                     | 455.92       |                                      |   | 455.92                                      |                               | Balanced                       | 455.92       |
| TOTALS,  |              | \$ 4,607.39                            | \$ 13,000.00              | \$ 17,607.39                        | \$ 17,607.39 |                                      | \$ 16,984.24                                  | \$ 455.92                                   |                               | \$ 167.23                      | \$ 17,607.39 |

I CERTIFY, That I have examined and settled an account between the United States and Wallace G. Fowler, Special Disbursing Agent, Columbia Institution for the Deaf and Dumb for the period ended June 30, 1906, under the above-named appropriations, under his bonds dated March 24, 1890, June 13, 1895, June 30, 1899 and June 15, 1903, and find that there is due to the United States a balance of One hundred sixty-seven and <sup>23</sup>/<sub>100</sub> Dollars.

\$ 167.23

To the SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY  
(Division of Bookkeeping and Warrants).

G. P. Dunham  
Acting Auditor for the Interior Department.

By J. C. S. Deputy Auditor.

Office of the SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY  
(Division of Bookkeeping and Warrants).

*Copy for the Secretary of the Interior*

MISCELLANEOUS.

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*No. 14633*

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CERTIFICATE OF SETTLEMENT

BY THE

AUDITOR FOR THE INTERIOR DEPARTMENT,

OF THE ACCOUNT OF

*Wallace G. Fowler*

*Special Disbursing Agent*

OF THE

*Columbia Institution for*

*the Deaf and Dumb.*

FOR THE PERIOD

Ended *June 30*, 190*6*

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Awaits Faculty  
action Sept. 18<sup>th</sup>

Talbert, Mo.

5617

One of the boys that ran  
away to Baltimore last autumn  
on account of being hazed & finally  
went home - No conditions -  
Mr. G saw think a good boy -

Greentop, Mo.,  
Aug. 20, 1906.

Mr. E. M. Gallaudet,  
Gallaudet College,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir: -

As our son, Elmer  
Talbert has rather decided to  
return to College again this  
fall, I write to learn when  
the school will begin, and if  
there will be any preparation  
necessary on his part aside  
from those made last fall in  
order for him to enter College  
as he was admitted at that  
time.

Yours Truly,

L. D. Talbert.

Box 15, R. D. #4.

Greentop, Mo.

and

120 a Palisade Av. <sup>5627</sup>

\$150.

Jersey City, N. J.

Sept. 11<sup>th</sup> /06

President,

Gallaudet College,

Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir,

Will you kindly favor me with the rules of admission etc. to your institution? I have a young son (aged twenty) who has just completed a two year course in the New Jersey School for the Deaf, and have been advised, that a year spent with you, if it could be



tution, to any extent, I cannot  
of course, judge. He is most eager  
to talk, and does so, at home  
with very little use of either signs  
or alphabet.

Permit me to say, that I would  
not propose him as one fitted  
for entrance to college, but simply  
that he might have the privilege  
of a wider, yet more concentra-  
ted effort for his particular need.  
I have been told that your fee  
is \$150. per yr. will you inform  
me what this amount (if

arranged, would be of great  
benefit to him. He has been  
thoroughly instructed in  
the trade of wood turning, and  
has been very satisfactory in  
that branch of work, as I have  
been assured by the Superintendent  
Mr. Walker, and his teacher  
Mr. Johnson, who mentioned the  
matter of your college to me.  
He has strong inclinations, to-  
ward drafting, but whether or  
not, what would develop, under

correct) covers, and all the  
details possible

Thanking you in advance  
for its courtesy of a reply,  
and hoping to hear from you  
at your earliest convenience  
I am

Respectfully yours  
(Mrs) E. C. Townsend.

Greentop mo Sept. 14, 1906

Mr E. M. Gallander

Dear Sir

I feel safe to assure you if our son comes to you he will remain and work faithfully as a student. believing as I do that the faculty will be on their guard and keep the Hazing down as much as possible and I am sure he sees his mistake in not returning to the college from Baltimore, last fall. and I feel sure he will endure any thing reasonable for his Schools sake. I have always believed he would have remained last fall if he had been a love. If you have the least doubt in regard to his character as a quiet and

faithful student-I would refer  
you to ~~his~~ his Teacher and Supt  
of our state school

Yours Truly

G. D. Talbot

P. S. if the boy is admitted  
you can telegraph. other wise  
notify through the mail

and  
fully

120<sup>a</sup> Palisade Dr.  
Jersey City.

<sup>5647</sup>  
Sept. 18/06

Mr. E. M. Gallaudet.

Dear Sir.

Your favor  
of the 17<sup>th</sup> inst. received.  
Pardon me if I say, that  
I do not quite understand  
it. It appears to me, that  
the Kendall School, is not  
the Columbia Institution  
proper, but more of a pre-  
paratory one. If I am wrong

would be permitted to come  
home at any other time  
if necessary

If you have a booklet of  
the school, I should very  
much appreciate having  
one sent me.

Once again, thanking you, for  
the courtesy of an early reply.  
I remain,

Yours truly  
Edith C. Townsend.

Mrs Lillian A. Townsend.

please correct me. Further.  
more, I would like to know  
whether \$150. is for board and  
tuition, and what extra  
there would be, if any, I  
am obliged to ask this  
as Mr. Townsend is in  
very moderate circumstances  
and these things must be  
thoroughly understood.

I would also ask what holidays  
are usual, and if our boy

mm  
no 1/2 meter

805 Penn, N.C. Mo. <sup>565</sup>

September 25, 06

Mr. W. G. Howler:-

Dear Mr. Howler:-

Miss Gillman wrote me that you were going to send her half rate tickets. I did not know that you succeeded in securing half rates, so will you please send me ~~an~~ half rate order. I cannot afford to pay full rates to go back. Miss Gillman wishes to travel with me, but does not tell

me what route  
she will take.  
Will you send  
orders on both  
roads, B&O and  
Penn, but I prefer  
the Penn. R. R. I  
will take the  
Missouri Pacific,  
but do not know  
whether or not  
you can get  
half-rates on  
that road. I  
want to start  
Sunday or Monday  
if you could only

get half rates  
but hope you  
can get them  
for me -

Truly yours  
May Thornton



120<sup>th</sup> Palisade Av. <sup>=566=</sup>  
Jersey City.  
October 2<sup>nd</sup> 1901

Mr. E. M. Gallaudet

Gallaudet College, Wash. D. C.

Dear Sir.

Your letter,  
and report forwarded  
some days ago, received,  
I thank you for the same.

The Law decided to place  
our son, Leslie Roy, with  
you, for the coming year,  
and would like <sup>him</sup> to start

school, on the 15<sup>th</sup> or  
16<sup>th</sup> inst.

If there are application  
papers to be filled out,  
will you kindly send me  
the same, that we may  
attend to them at once.

Thanking you in advance  
for an early reply, I

remain

Truly yours

Edith L. Townsend.

OFFICE OF  
D. H. TOLMAN,  
ROOM 506 CORCORAN BUILDING,  
533 15TH STREET, N. W.

<sup>=5672</sup>  
Money Loaned  
Salaried People and  
Retail Merchants

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 3 1906

Mr. Fowler

Dear Sir - Enclosed find the  
note of Marcelous Broady, paid  
in full. Thanking you for  
your kindness in the matter  
I am

yours truly  
W. H. Tolman.

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Harrington Del  
Nov. 9, 1906

Mr. Fowler.

Dear Sir:

I enclose \$3.50

as Rosa's fare. Intended to  
send it at once but escaped  
my mind.

Yours truly

Chas. E. Taylor

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# United States Railway Mail Service Mutual Benefit Association

W. A. TILLEY  
PRESIDENT 8TH DIVISION  
SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.

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~~SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.~~

#317 W. DeCATUR St.  
DeCATUR Ill  
Nov 19th 1906.

Dear Dr Gallaudet,

I have filed an application for patent on some interior fittings of Mail Cars; an invention of mine I expect to be in Washington in a week or ten days to try and have the application placed on the Special file, in order that the examination may be hastened.

There is some necessity for this which I will explain to you later.

It has occurred to me that you may have some acquaintance with Officials connected with the Patent Office, who, upon your recommendation might be disposed to assist me in the matter and I write to enquire if you would feel inclined to do me this favor.

and  
will help

Sincerely Yours,

W. A. Tilley

120<sup>2</sup> Palmyra Av. <sup>257D 2</sup>  
Jersey City, N. J.  
Dec. 6<sup>th</sup> / 06

My dear Mr. Gallaudet:

As Roy has been with  
you for about two months,  
we are naturally feeling some  
what curious, to hear what  
progress he is making, in  
his studies, and hope that you  
will kindly inform us, if  
possible. He has found the  
lessons quite hard, I gather from  
his letters, and writes that he  
studies "honest," and I am

favor, that he may come  
home on Friday the 21<sup>st</sup> inst.  
by any train, which will not  
interfere with your routine.

He is most anxious to meet  
Mr. Walker, and all of his  
old school mates from Trenton  
who will arrive in this city  
on the 22<sup>nd</sup> (I believe) and  
we would gladly give him  
this pleasure, and have him  
ourselves, one day longer,  
if you will consent to his  
coming. I thank you

quite sure that he does, for  
that is his usual way of doing  
things; I also feel confident that  
he is doing his best, and sin-  
cerely hope that the results are  
promising. He has been very  
very homesick, yet I can see  
that he is bearing it bravely,  
and looking eagerly forward  
to the Christmas-time, as  
indeed we all are. In  
my own to the holiday, I try  
that I may ask as a special

for any consideration you  
may have shown him  
and earnestly wish, that  
his conduct, at least, has  
been all that it should.

With regards from Mr. Townsend  
and begging the indulgence  
of an early reply.

I am, believe me,

Sincerely yours,

Edith C. Townsend



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School for the Deaf,  
Rome, N. Y.

December 15, 1906.

Dr. E. M. Gallaudet,  
Gallaudet College,  
Wash. D. C.

Dear Dr. Gallaudet: -

Thinking you  
might be interested in  
the novel way in which  
we celebrated the anni-  
versary of your noble  
father's birth, I enclose

a program of the evenings entertainment, with two clippings, from the "Rome Daily Sentinel."

To celebrate the evening this was my own idea, and I am, as you may judge very happy that it worked out nicely.

Hoping that you are enjoying the best of health and wishing a merry Christmas and a bright and happy new year, I am  
very cordially yours,  
Howard E. Thompson.

## GALLAUDET DAY OBSERVED

HONOR OF FOUNDER OF DEAF-MUTE INSTRUCTION IN U. S.

Historical Play Pleasingly Presented by Pupils of Central New York Institution for Deaf-Mutes on Dr. Gallaudet's Birthday Anniversary.

Of the annual round of holidays Dec. 10, the anniversary of the birthday of Dr. Thomas Hopkins Gallaudet, the founder of deaf-mute instruction in this country, is the occasion nearest to the hearts of the deaf. The day is observed in various ways at nearly all of the schools for the deaf in the country. At the Central New York Institution for Deaf-Mutes it was celebrated by a shortening of the school and shop periods during the day and by the rendition of a historical play by the pupils in the evening entitled, "Alice Cogswell," to which the townspeople were cordially welcomed. "As far as known, this is the first time that a stage representation has taken place of the incidents leading up to the establishment of the first permanent school for the deaf in America. The affair passed off without a hitch and the action was so simple that the smallest pupil in the school followed it readily with great delight.

The scene of the action was laid at Hartford, Conn., the year 1817, when the first permanent school for the deaf was established in America, the American School for the Deaf at Hartford. The play opened with a representation of the home of Alice Cogswell, an uneducated deaf child, twelve years of age. The efforts of little Alice to learn to read and write and the disappointment of her parents, Dr. and Mrs. Mason Cogswell, at the failure of their attempts to communicate with and teach their afflicted child, were vividly portrayed. While Alice was out in the yard playing with other children, Dr. Gallaudet, then a young man not quite thirty years old, happened to pass by and his attention was attracted by the child. He gave her thereupon her first lesson in written language by teaching her that the word hat, represented the thing, hat, which he held in his hand. Dr. Gallaudet called upon Dr. Cogswell and from time to time thereafter he succeeded in imparting to Alice a knowledge of many simple words and sentences. This success encouraged Dr. Cogswell in the hope that a school for the deaf might be opened in Hartford. He called a meeting of several of the leading citizens of Hartford to come together at his home, at which a full discussion of the practicability of sending some suitable person to Europe to acquire the art of instructing the deaf and dumb resulted in the unanimous selection of Dr. Gallaudet as the one person qualified beyond all others to engage in this undertaking.

The departure of Dr. Gallaudet for England and the affecting farewell scene with Alice at the Cogswell home as well as the cordial welcome on his return in company with Laurent Clerc, a deaf teacher in the school for the deaf at Paris, who was to assist Dr. Gallaudet in the organization of the new school, were so well acted as to call forth the heartiest applause from those present. The scene showing the opening of the first school at Hartford, with seven pupils, in which the teacher, Laurent Clerc, was instructing the pupils in the use of the manual alphabet and the names of various objects, was heartily enjoyed by all.

The progress of Alice Cogswell after she had been under instruction five years was then exhibited by means of a letter written by Alice to Dr. Gallaudet in which she told him of her happiness at that time compared with her loneliness five years before when she was in mental darkness and thanking him for his kindness and patience in teaching her.

For the good-night scene Alice recited the familiar "Now I lay me" in the language of signs in a beautiful and impressive manner. The difficult part of Alice Cogswell was well taken by Lillian Warren, while the characters of Dr. Cogswell and Mrs. Cogswell were very happily portrayed by Ray Coons and Sophie Muller respectively. H. E. Thompson made an ideal Dr. Gallaudet and in addition to playing the part with signal ability, he translated much of the play orally for the benefit of the hearing part of the audience. Laurent Clerc, the deaf teacher from France, was faithfully portrayed by Carl Ayling.

It is difficult to imagine the amount of labor and preparation involved in getting up such a play and unstinted praise for the success of the undertaking is due the committee in charge of the exercises, Mr. Howard E. Thompson and Miss Mabel Taylor who were ably assisted by Miss Sophie Muller. The entertainment reflected great credit upon the committee. The deaf population of Rome were well represented in the audience and they expressed their sincere pleasure at having witnessed this unique performance.

## FIRST EDUCATOR OF THE DEAF.

Gallaudet Day at the Central New York Institution for Deaf-Mutes.

In the city of Philadelphia over a hundred years ago, December 10, 1787, was born a man who was destined to become the father of a profession which was then unknown to the citizens of America. The man was Dr. Thomas Hopkins Gallaudet and his profession the work of teaching the deaf, who were then considered little more than dumb animals.

When a young man, Dr. Gallaudet moved to Hartford, Connecticut. Here he met a little deaf girl named Alice Cogswell, who was then about nine years old. He became very much interested in her and hearing that some of the deaf in the old world had been successfully taught, he decided to take up the work himself.

He called upon Dr. Cogswell and found him very much interested in the education of his daughter, so much so that in a short time Dr. Cogswell called a meeting of the principal citizens of Hartford. At this meeting it was decided to send Dr. Gallaudet abroad to learn to teach the deaf. After a year, he returned with Laurent Clerc, who was a deaf teacher in an institution for the deaf in Paris.

Dr. Gallaudet at once began his work and opened a school with seven deaf children. To this, his chosen work, he devoted his life with untiring zeal and energy, to promote the education of those who can not hear.

It is to honor this man, who did so much for the deaf, that the committee has arranged the following historical representation to be held in the chapel of the Central New York Institution's main building at seven-thirty o'clock on Monday evening, December 10. All are cordially invited to attend.

Alice Cogswell.

Scene I. Evening at the Cogswell home.

Scene II. Dr. Gallaudet calls upon Dr. Cogswell.

Scene III. The principal citizens of Hartford meet. They decide to send Dr. Gallaudet to England.

Scene IV. Dr. Gallaudet leaves for England.

Scene V. Dr. Gallaudet returns with Laurent Clerc.

Scene VI. Dr. Gallaudet opens a school with seven pupils.

Scene VII. Alice Cogswell, five years after.

Cast of Characters.

Alice Cogswell.....Lillian Warren  
Dr. Cogswell.....Ray Coons  
Mrs. Cogswell.....Sophie Muller  
Dr. Gallaudet.....H. E. Thompson  
Laurent Clerc.....Carl Ayling

[1906]

<sup>5727</sup>  
805 Penn. Ave,  
Kansas City  
Mo.

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

Dear Dr. Gallaudet:

I am very  
sorry to find it  
impossible to  
return to college  
on time as my  
mother has not  
been feeling well  
for the last few  
weeks. She is

improving.

I expect to be  
in Washington  
before or on  
the first day of  
October.

Respectfully,

May Thornton

Sept 30 - 1906  
my balance  
Suspended

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