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internal revenue for Hawaii. On Sept. 6, 1910, Ralph Waldo Tyler wrote to Emmett J. Scott: "The Cottrill matter has gone by the boards. The president balked on sending a colored man to Hawaii." (Con. 413, BTW Papers, DLC.) Cottrill, however, was eventually appointed to the Hawaiian position and served from 1912 to 1915, when the Wilson administration removed him from office. Cottrill remained in Hawaii after his office expired and became a permanent resident.

From Thomas Jordan Jarvis¹

Greenville, N.C. Nov. 2nd 1910

Dear Sir. I have learned with great pleasure of your visit to Eastern North Carolina and of your addresses to our colored people and I very much regret that circumstances and conditions are such that we cannot have you visit Greenville.

The colored people are a part of the citizenship of the State, and a very important part, and I heartily welcome and endorse every movement and influence to make them better citizens. I believe the teachings contained in your address will be helpful to those who hear and heed them and I wish it were possible for you to visit more of our people and speak to more of them.

Prof. C. M. Epps, the Principle of our Colored Graded School is likewise doing a good work but his sphere of activity is, of course, very limited as compared with yours. He goes to hear you and will deliver you this letter with my high regards and best wishes in your great work to lift up and improve the condition of a race of people who have a place a destiny and a duty in this Southland of ours. I have no doubt Prof. Epps will be benifi[t]ed and better prepared for his work by hearing you and I am glad that he [is] going to meet you.

With high regard and good wishes I am Very truly yours,

Thos. J. Jarvis

ALS Con. 907 BTW Papers DLC.

¹ Thomas Jordan Jarvis (1836-1915), a former governor of North Carolina, served briefly in the U.S. Senate in 1894-95, and then resumed his law practice in Greenville, N.C.