

*The BOOKER T. WASHINGTON Papers*

They did everything possible to make our work profitable and pleasant while in the state. In Anderson, S.C., the richest white people in the town gave us their carriages with their coachmen to use for the day. The railroad conductors went out of their way to be kind, stopping the trains wherever we wished them to be stopped in order that we might speak to the people at the stations. This is the real kind of work that I wish I could devote a large part of my life to.

I shall be very glad to read the proof of your book,<sup>1</sup> or any part of it, after I get settled for the summer.

I think that after my visit to Nashville I shall be returning here for a stay of several days.

One thing that struck me regarding South Carolina so far as the education of the Negro is concerned is the matter of ignorance on the part of the white people as to just what conditions are. When I told the white audiences, as I did, about the Negro school in their state in the country being in session only two or three months, they seemed shocked. In some way we must let the white people in the South know just what we are trying to do in the way of education, just what we hope to accomplish and what conditions are.

I am very sorry to hear that you have had another bad turn. I hope you are now well. Yours very truly,

Booker T. Washington

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<sup>1</sup> *The Basis of Ascendancy: A Discussion of Certain Principles of Public Policy Involved in the Development of the Southern States* (1909).

From Emmett Jay Scott

Washington: April first, 1909

Dear Mr. Washington: I beg to report as I have already wired you: 1. That Judge Hundley has seen the Attorney General<sup>1</sup> twice (once yesterday & once today -- after he had seen the President[]). The latter asked him to put before the Attorney General an explanation he had made in respect to certain additional charges brought against him. He considers the interviews with the Attorney Gen-