

*The BOOKER T. WASHINGTON Papers*

From Melvin Jack Chisum

Hare Valley, Va. Mch 21st, 1911

Dear Dr Washington: Accept my and my wife's sincerest sympathy. We have only been able to get the Baltimore papers thus far and they contain a miserably garbled report, but we know there is a horrible mistake some where made.

In any event, we know you have been pounced upon by some malicious brute and are being terribly misrepresented by the Southern Press.

Yours always faithfully and yours to command (any where any minute)

Chisum

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From Edgar B. Haymond

New York March 21, 1911

Dear Sir: A white Virginian, who has spent most of his life in Bedford County, desires to express to you his sympathy, his condolence and entire confidence of your innocence.

As the horrible thing was predestined, each of us is glad it did not happen south of the Potomac. Truly yours,

Edgar B. Haymond

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