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From Charles William Anderson

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*Confidential*

My dear Doctor Washington: I am sure you will regret to learn that Mr. Hubert H. Harrison has been dismissed from his position as clerk in the New York Post Office. I am certain also that you will regret to hear that he is blaming me for his dismissal. As Postmaster Morgan<sup>1</sup> is a *particular personal friend* of mine of long years standing, and as the charge against Mr. Harrison was considered (by Harrison) trivial, that "brother" believes that some sinister influence was at work against him, and that influence was set in operation by me. Well, I can endure the charge with fortitude and good humor. Harrison had a dispute with the Superintendent of the Branch Post Office in which he was employed, and as he had had several of these disputes with this and other Superintendents before, I presume the Postmaster thought it high time to drop him and get a man who would talk less and work more. He is now stumping for the Socialist party, and will probably have plenty of time in the future to learn that God is not good to those who do not behave themselves. Yours very truly,

Charles W. Anderson

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<sup>1</sup> Edward M. Morgan (1855-1925) was postmaster of New York City from 1907 to 1917.

## A Statement on Prohibition<sup>1</sup>

[Tuskegee, Ala., ca. Oct. 31, 1911]

### THE NEGRO AND PROHIBITION

Long years of observation have convinced me that strong drink is one of the worst evils that beset the Negro. If the money they spend annually for strong drink was invested in property their wealth would be increased each year by millions of dollars.

Ever since prohibition has been agitated in the South I have been