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Against the Little White Slaver," including a copy of a letter Thomas Edison wrote to Henry Ford, dated Apr. 26, 1914. Edison stated that smoking cigarettes caused "degeneration of the cells of the brain. . ." Furthermore, Edison concluded, "I employ no person who smokes cigarettes." (Shaw to BTW, Nov. 20, 1914, Con. 775, BTW Papers, DLC.)

### From Stephen Frink Dana

Cincinnati, O. Dec. 1, 1914

My dear Mr. Washington: I am enclosing you herewith my check for \$100.00, which I know you will appreciate, and have delayed sending it because of the War. As you understand, it is a pleasure to me to know that you are going ahead notwithstanding the bad times, and bad business due to the effect of this War. When I think back of the time when you and I lived on the Kanawha River, and I saw you running around doing errands, I wasn't looking very closely at you, but you seemed to be a nice little boy who always kept out of trouble, and looked for something to do. But now when I know what you have done I realize that you are doing some of the best work to be done in the United States. Yours sincerely,

S. F. Dana

TLS Con. 769 BTW Papers DLC. Written on stationery of The Campbell's Creek Coal Co.

### From William Junior Edwards

Snow Hill, Alabama, Dec. 1st, 1914

My dear Dr. Washington: A little more than a year ago Dr. Thomas Jesse Jones of Washington, made an investigation of this school for the Phelps Stokes Fund. I was under the impression that after this investigation something of material aid would be forthcoming from this fund. In fact, I wrote several of the trustees at the time and they assured me that when the investigation, which was then on foot, be completed, something would be done for the colored schools. Just now,