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## From Emily Howland

Sherwood N.Y. Sept. 7th 1891

Dear Sir Your letter of the 2nd is just rec.d. I have had you in mind for weeks, but knowing that the school was not now in session I thought you might be absent from the institution. I thought that this year I would make the \$50.00 \$100.00. Since seeing is believing, my visit to Tuskegee has certainly more than doubled my interest in it.

I should like this sum to be applied for the benefit of a lady student, because women are handicapped & generally discriminated against, in the race of life. For this reason they should remember each other.

I am sure that the visits to Tuskegee of two persons so well known & well esteemed, (of eloquent tongue & pen) as Miss Eastman<sup>1</sup> & Mr. Barrows,<sup>2</sup> bodes good to your grand school. I hope that they share my faith that in importance it ranks first, among the institutions of learning for col.d people in the South, by reason of location & it must always hold a position of great importance in solving the problem which both white & col.d Americans are given to work out in this period of their history.

My visit to your institution was a memorable one to me in many ways, though I had been in the South a good deal I found I had never been before where Slavery had done its perfect work. Whenever I think of your school it seems like a brilliant star rising out of great darkness.

I should like to be remembered to Mrs. Logan, Miss Murray and all the teachers who may be with you, of whom I retain grateful memories for kindnesses received. Cordially

Emily Howland

I have not rec.d a "Southern Letter" lately, is it discontinued during the summer?

I send my check because I can do it at once, for a draft I must send a distance to the Bank. If the check prove troublesome or you have to pay for collection return it & I will get a draft instead.

ALS Con. 4 BTW Papers ATT. Original destroyed.

<sup>1</sup> Mary L. Eastman.

<sup>2</sup> Samuel June Barrows (1845-1909) was a State Department employee after the Civil War, serving for a time as secretary to William H. Seward, Secretary of