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sion. The Gov.<sup>2</sup> & Supt<sup>3</sup> gave me good letters. I shall use all means in my power to make it a success here. I will write often now. Yours

J. N. Calloway

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<sup>1</sup> George Paul Harrison (1841-1922), a Democrat who served in Congress from 1894 to 1897. An Auburn lawyer and former Alabama state senator (1876-84), he was counsel for the Western Railway of Alabama and the Central of Georgia Railroad.

<sup>2</sup> William Calvin Oates.

<sup>3</sup> John Orman Turner.

## A Bill before Congress

[Washington, D.C.] January 23, 1896

To grant land to the State of Alabama for the use of the Tuskegee Normal and Industrial Institute.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the governor of the State of Alabama be, and he is hereby, authorized to select out of the unoccupied and uninhabited lands of the United States within the said State, twenty-five thousand acres of land, and shall certify the same to the Secretary of the Interior, who shall forthwith, upon receipt of said certificate, issue to the State of Alabama patents for said lands: *Provided,* That the proceeds of said lands, when sold or leased, shall forever remain a fund for the use of the Tuskegee Normal and Industrial Institute.

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From Mary Elizabeth Preston Stearns

College Hill P.O. Masstts Jan'y 24th 1896

My Dear Friend— Your letter of the 17th *inst.* was most welcome.

It was a cross to have missed sight of you, when last in Boston. Day after day I watched for your coming — eagerly. There was so much