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Sunday and Monday at the school arriving here Saturday evening, however. It rained all of Saturday night and Sunday and so I had exercises at the Chapel at four o'clock instead of at night both for the benefit of the students and for the benefit of the visitors. The exercises were the same as are usually followed on Sunday evenings. Miss Howland and Miss Anthony and Miss Harriet May Mills,<sup>1</sup> New York Organizer of the National Woman's Suffrage Association, spoke. The others were introduced and all in all the occasion was one of interest and profit, I think to all here.

All of the girls were required to march across the platform single file and the opportunity provided for them to shake hands with Miss Anthony. I think that she and they both enjoyed it very much indeed.

Miss Howland has gone from Tuskegee to Miss White's school, to Calhoun, Kowaliga and Camp Hill. Her interest in the school has not abated one single bit. Yours truly,

Emmett J. Scott

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<sup>1</sup> Harriet May Mills (b. 1837) was a lecturer on the poet Robert Browning and a leader of the New York State Woman Suffrage Association from 1892 to 1913.

## To William A. Pledger

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*Personal.*

Dear Col. Pledger: Adams and I had a conference with Bishop Walters last night. It seems to be the Bishop's opinion that you are going to stand for the presidency of the Council against Fortune. As I remember our conversation when I passed through Atlanta you said that you were going to support Fortune. As you know, there is going to be sharp opposition to Fortune. You of course have a right to run if you desire, I simply however, want to know your views on the subject if you are willing to state them. It seems to me there are two reasons why Fortune should be re-elected; one is that it is the custom in all such bodies to give a man the second