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The subject of lynching was not even mentioned. Very truly
yours,

Booker T. Washington

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To Cora Lina Cherry White¹

[Tuskegee, Ala.] April 29, 1904

My dear Mrs. White: Replying further to your kind letter, which has been recently received, I will state that I send you by this mail a catalog of the Bradford Academy, Bradford, Mass. This is the institution where my daughter Portia attends, and before making any attempt to get your daughter² into that institution, I want to find out if the conditions laid down in the catalog are satisfactory to you. Of course I am not sure what the decision of the authorities will be, but there is no reason why an attempt may not be made. If she were accepted there, I am sure she would be treated in a very satisfactory manner. It is one of the oldest institutions in the country. Of course there are some of these schools that are willing to admit one or two colored persons but object when more apply; it is not at all agreeable to have to deal with such conditions, but we must face the facts. My daughter Portia is very anxious to have your daughter enter while she is there. Portia graduates next year, and she feels that it will be best for both your daughter and yourself if arrangements could be made so that your daughter could enter next fall. Yours very truly,

Booker T. Washington

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¹ Cora Lina Cherry White (1864-1905), a public-school teacher from North Carolina, married the black congressman George H. White in 1886.

² Mary A. White.