

enclosure to letter by Charles R. Douglass
Jan. 16, 1902

318 A St., N. E.,

Washington, D. C., Jan. 15, 1902.

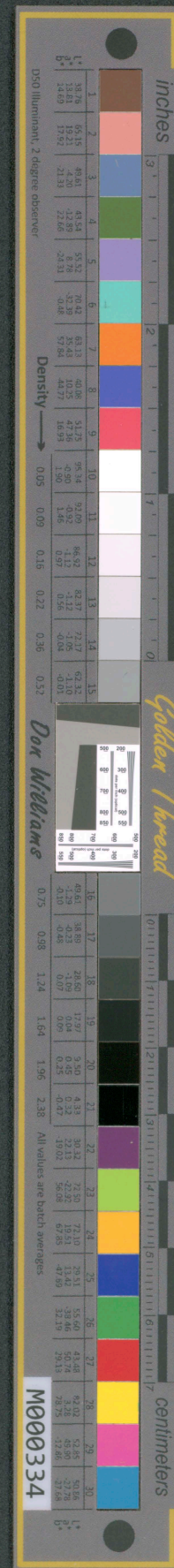
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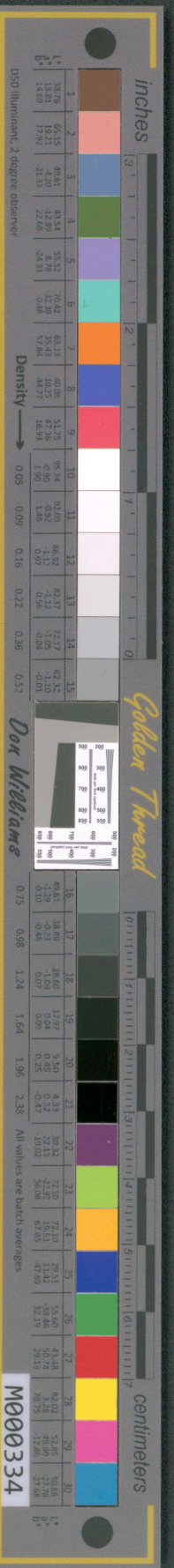
Commissioner District of Columbia.

Dear Sir:

I have read carefully, and thoughtfully your exhaustive analysis of the evidence in the case of Mrs. Dunbar vs. Officer Kemp, and all things being equal, I can see how easily a doubt could be raised from the evidence, as it appears in the record, as to the guilt or innocence of the accused.

My object in addressing you is to justify Mrs. Dunbar in not carrying her case to the Police Court, as suggested by you, there to be brought before a jury to be tried on its merits. I am one of Mrs. Dunbar's friends who advise against such procedure. It is bad enough to be clubbed by a burly policeman as Mrs. Dunbar was clubbed, without having that clubbing approved by a jury of twelve prejudiced men. Race prejudice has such a hold upon that element of the white race usually selected to serve on juries, that no amount of evidence by colored witnesses would outweigh in their narrow minds the simple denial of a white officer. I have seen cases made out so clear that a Judge would drop his head in shame when a white jury would say "not guilty" in cases of colored against white. In the cases brought





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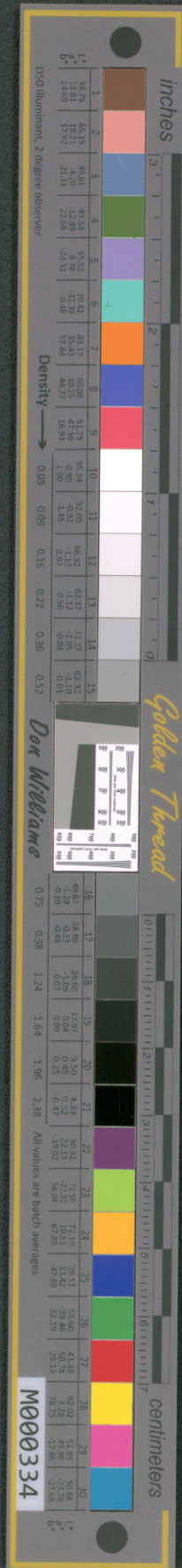
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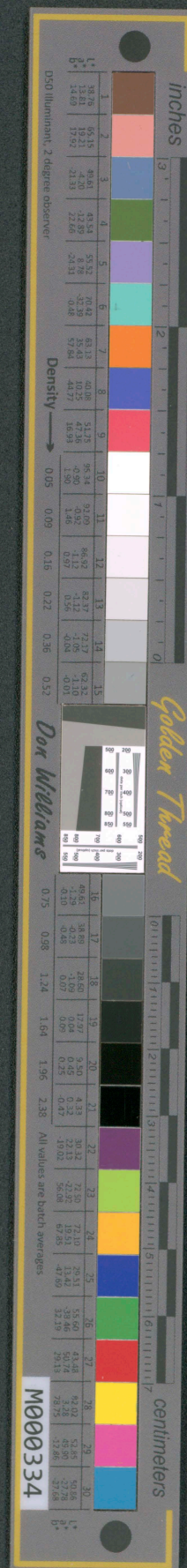


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here. They see in it a menace to their liberties, already grossly restricted by petty officials, and in appealing direct to the highest authority, it was with the belief that justice would be obtained.

I further submit, is the doubt arising from the evidence a reasonable doubt? Is it reasonable to suppose that a lady of refined manners and character, would viciously assault an officer for merely asking her to fall back? This is the evidence of the defense, that the officer made no assault upon her of any kind, but simply ordered her with the rest of the crowd to fall back.

*Very respectfully,
Chas. R. Douglass*



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From: Chas [Hes] R.
Douglass
[Washington, D.C.]
To: Mrs. Paul L. Dunbar
[Washington, D.C.]

16 Jan'y, 1902

Dear Mrs. Dunbar:

I send enclosed
a copy of a letter of protest
to Commr. Ross in view
of the action recommended
in your case against
Officer Kemp. I did this
that he may know that the
colored people are not blind
to the injustice even of
the high officials, in deal-
ing with cases of colored
against white.

Yours very truly
Chas R. Douglass

P.S. I address this to you
not knowing whether your
husband has returned from
the South. ~~CRD~~

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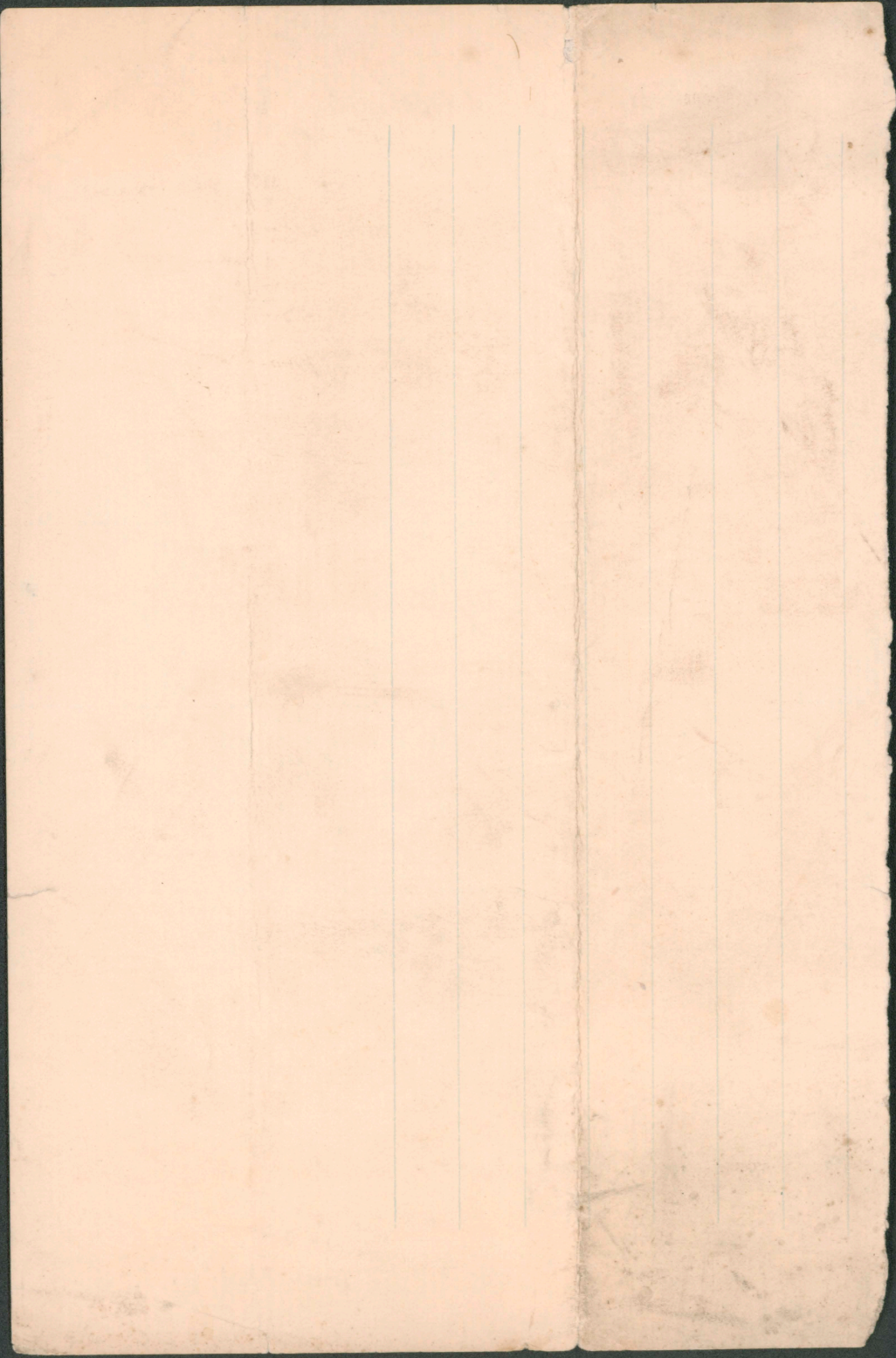
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a*	13.24	18.11	-4.34	-13.80	9.82	-33.43	34.26	11.81	48.55	-0.40	-0.60	-0.75	-1.06	-1.19	-1.07	-0.16	-0.18	-0.54	-0.05	-0.01	-0.04	20.96	24.45	16.82	13.06	-38.91	52.00	3.45	50.88	
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To : Mrs. Paul L. Dunbar
321 Spruce St.
Washington, D.C.
TELEPHONE 1230-38TH ST.

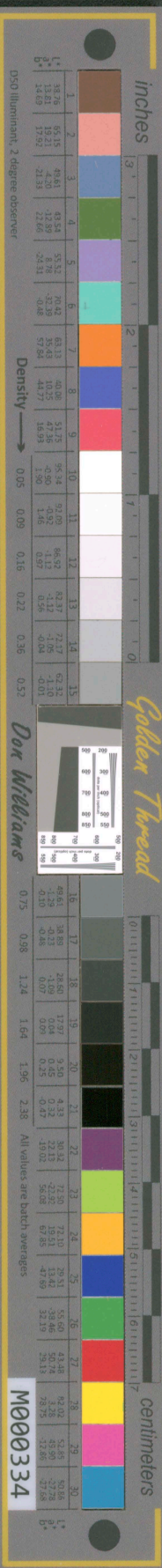
From: DR. W. H. McKENLEY
227 WEST THIRTY-THIRD STREET
Washington, D.C.

OFFICE HOURS:
UNTIL 11 A. M.
2 TO 4 P. M.
6 TO 8 P. M.

NEW YORK, *Ch...* 190

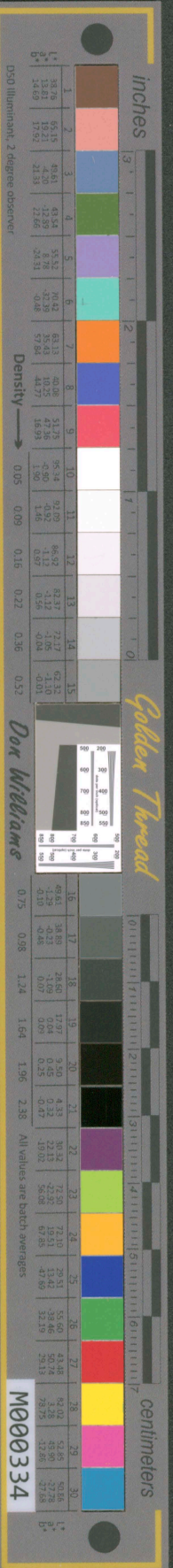
Dear Mrs. Lusk.
 I am a stranger
 to you, but your husband
 is a friend of mine, &
 to tell you that he has
 done, he is paying the debt
now, My house & its
 humble convenience is at
 your command & he is
 sleeping with the friend
 Mr. Dill. I mean, does your
 father is his to come &
 Jesus love? His only thought
 is of you. The letter is
 strictly confidential of
 your father by Rev. Mr.
 Paul is here now. Say nothing
 to any one but I think you

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James Presume & influence
 will do him good if
 they serving brother An.
 Opaunt to go home?
 He must forgive him &
 think every thing can be
 explained & let it all
 pass he is sick now
 he is too bright a
 man. to suppose he
 have the pleasure of
 seeing you soon

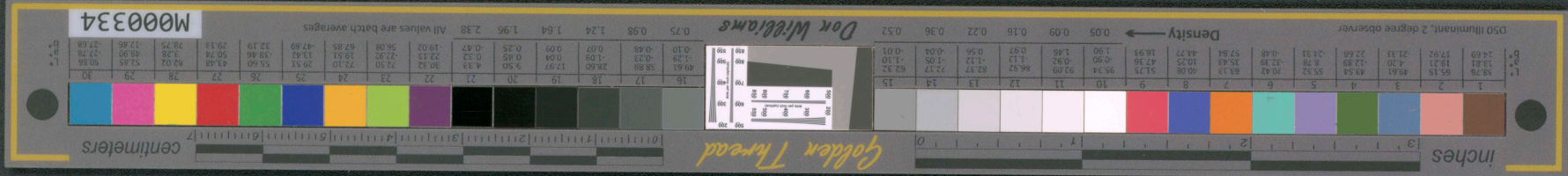
I am very truly
 Yours
 Wm McKenley



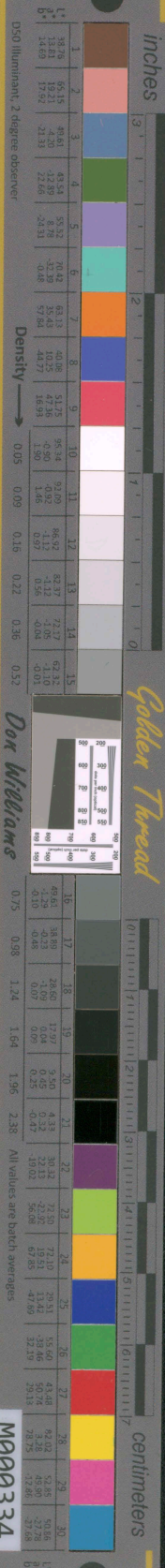
is just as crazy as any lunatic
 that is 'where my mother is'
 and when your dear ones are
 insane we must take care
 of them he says he is stopping
 at the Marshall Hotel in S. C.
 if Alice come on quietly go
 to him and both of you leave
 the city why not go down to

From: Sallie Brown
 New York
 To: Mrs. Paul Laurence Dunbar
 321 Spruce St.
 Washington, D.C.
 29 Dec (1) 30 (2)
 Feb 7 [1902]
 Alice My Dear
 I have just met
 Paul in the street
 of course I have not
 been home all
 winter and did
 not know all the
 trouble you are
 having Paul has
 just told me that
 its all over between
 you that he has
 been a wounded

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(2)
that he has treated you
infamously, and that now
you have given him up he
is going to kill himself
he stood there on 6th Ave
and cried and told me as
much as I had time to
listen too how my darling
Alice I ask you for God's
sake to come to him
Remember dear you took him
for better or worse it has
turned out for the worse
but do not desert him when
you are the only one on
God & earth that Paul cares
anything about to day
he is not drunk but he,

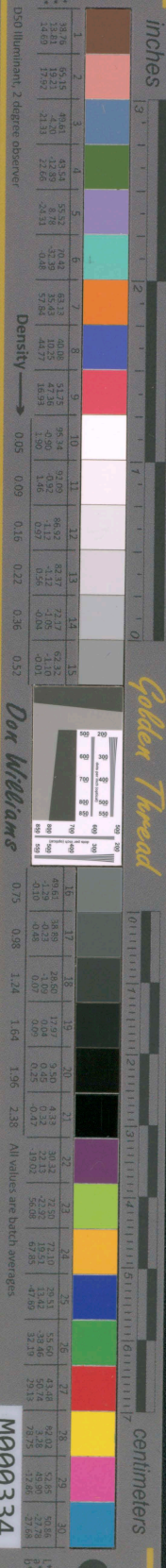


friend to you both knowing
how you love each other
not to let anything or any
one come between you
and Paul,

...With lots of love

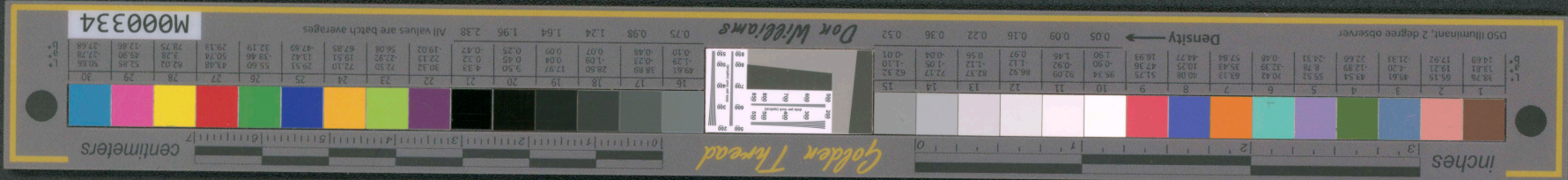
Dallie [Brown]

If you could have seen
him as I just left him
you would take the next
train to him



(4) [1902]
Atlantic City
Until it has all
blown over of course
I also do not know
the whole story
and as I am only
home late at
night I could
not wait for him
to tell me,
but dear one
I ask you as a

Atlantic City
Until it has all
blown over again
I do not know
the whole story
and as I am only
home late at
night I could
not wait for him
to tell me.
but dear one
I ask you as a



mail. now Let me say
 This in all kindness as
 your future may depend on
 this Let no false pride
 stand in the way I'm
 with you just come to me
 + i'll do the rest.

Remember me to
 all your folks. All
 of us send Love & Sympathy
 Faithful to your interests

I am Your Bro.
 R.S. Murphy
 56 27 Dearborn St
 Chicago

P.S. Don't listen to any
 one who says
 but judge of your
 own affairs & just
 come to me. in
 fact if you should
 have written me
 long ago.
 R.S.M.

From: R.S. Murphy
 56 27 Dearborn St.
 Chicago (Ill)

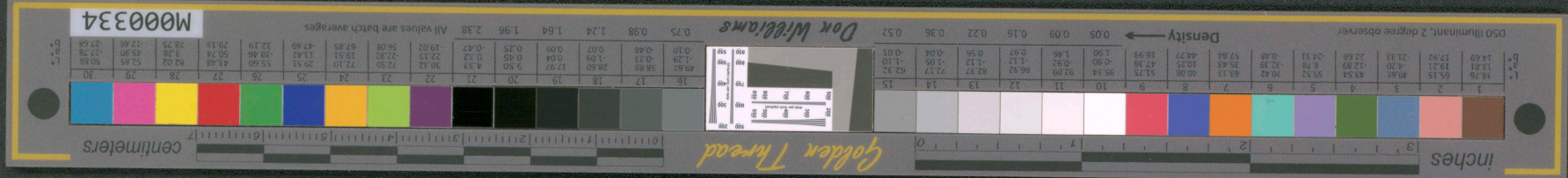
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 [321 Spruce St.
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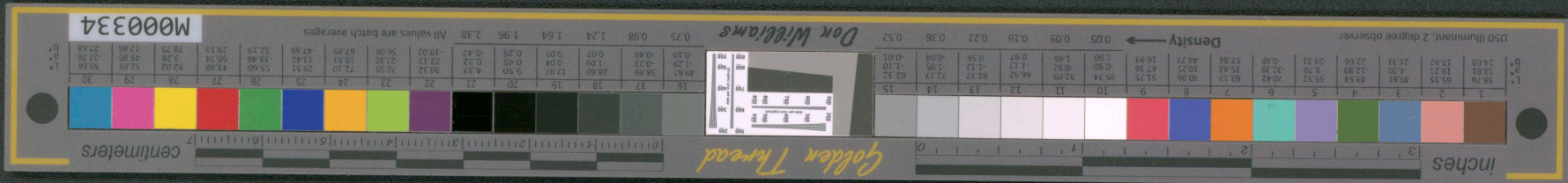
Feb. 12. 02.

My Dear Sister

I have just
 heard the entire story of
 your trouble and am very
 sorry for you, but can't do
 much at Long range. Alas
 you had better come to Chicago
 to me for awhile & Let me
 adjust matters between you
 two just come on to my
 house & Learn all the rest
 to me & come at once as I
 am writing Paul by this

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may and ⁽²⁾ we want
you to come here.

Have you heard any thing
from Paul?

Alice I didn't quite understand
you, do you mean that you
put my things in storage
with the library things?

I do wish this thing had
not have happened. I was
just making up my mind
to come home.

I have always been anxious
to see your mother, sister
and the children.
now, Alice you have always

From: Mrs. Matilda Dunbar
3624 Dearborn St.
Chicago, Ill.

To: My Dear
Mrs. Paul Lawrence Dunbar
[321 Spruce St.
Washington, D.C.]

Chicago, Ill. Feb. 18¹⁸
Alice, I received [Feb. 13, 1902]
your sad letter and
was horrified at
it. I thought something
you was water when
you did not write.
but could not tell who
it was the trouble.
my heart is broke.
what can I do will.
you come to me so
that we can have
a talk. Alice this must
not be. this must
not can not go that
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been kind + good⁽³⁾ to me, and never
refused me any favor I have asked
you. Now I do ask you to meet and
try to be reconciled with Paul.

This is a terrible blow to me. Try
to adjust matters, for things must
not go on this way.

I have heard nothing from Paul
this week. I cant write much

I commenced this letter but could
not finish it.

There is one thing I did not understand
concerning Miss Simms. I pause to
ask what she had done, that you
said, God does not like ugly. It must
have grieved Mrs Perry for Mamie to run
off. I dont see why she would have to
do that. Love to mamma, sister + family.

Try to think over what I asked you.
all are well + send love. Write me very
soon.

As ever Yrs

Mother

[MATILDA DUNBAR]

5627 Draabond St.



Jno. R. Lynch,
President.

D. B. McCarty,
Cashier.

Capital Savings Bank

YOUNG & SELDEN, BALTO

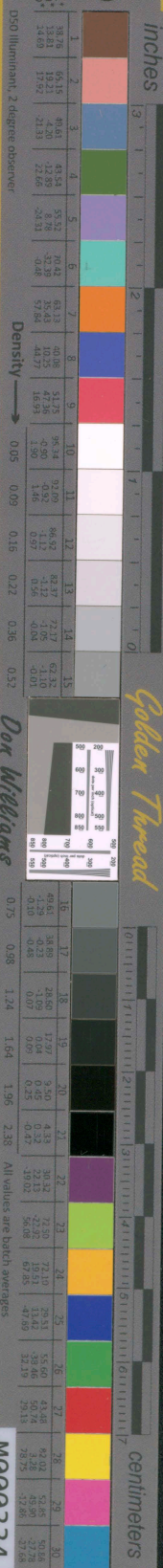
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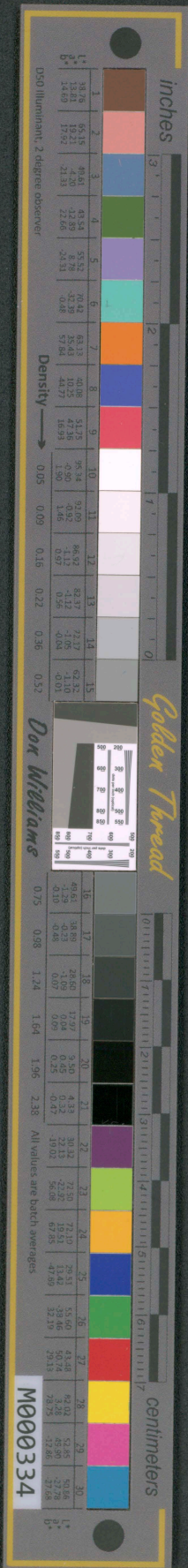
Washington, D.C. Feb 13, 1902.

Mrs. Dunbar:

I have just heard from
Mr. Dunbar, & if you would
kindly send in your
checks I'll see that they
are paid, I think you
have out three checks,
The Powell check for
\$68, The Leah check for \$11⁷⁵,
& Criswell's check for \$140
I am instructed to pay
these, trusting that
you are quite well,
I am

Very truly yours,
Dwight M. Cary
609 F. St. N.W.





From:

PAUL R. REYNOLDS,

No. 70 FIFTH AVENUE.

REPRESENTATIVE OF

WM. HEINEMANN,

SAMPSON LOW, MARSTON & CO., LIMITED.

ARCHIBALD CONSTABLE & CO.,

OF LONDON.

CABLE ADDRESS,

"CARBONATO NEW YORK."

TELEPHONE,

3403-18TH STREET.

NEW YORK, Feb. 15, 1902.

To:

Mrs. Alice Dunbar,

321 Spruce Street,

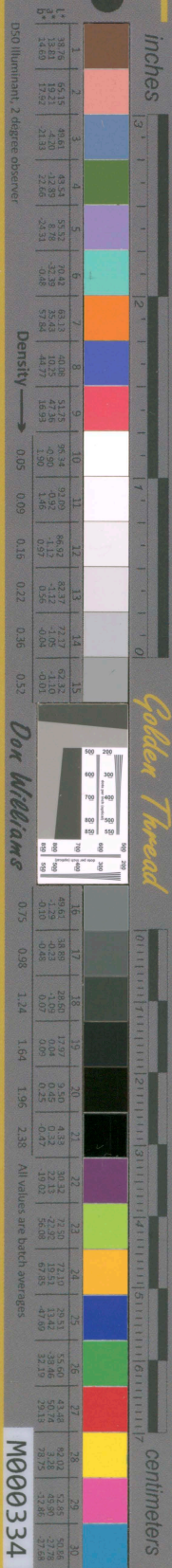
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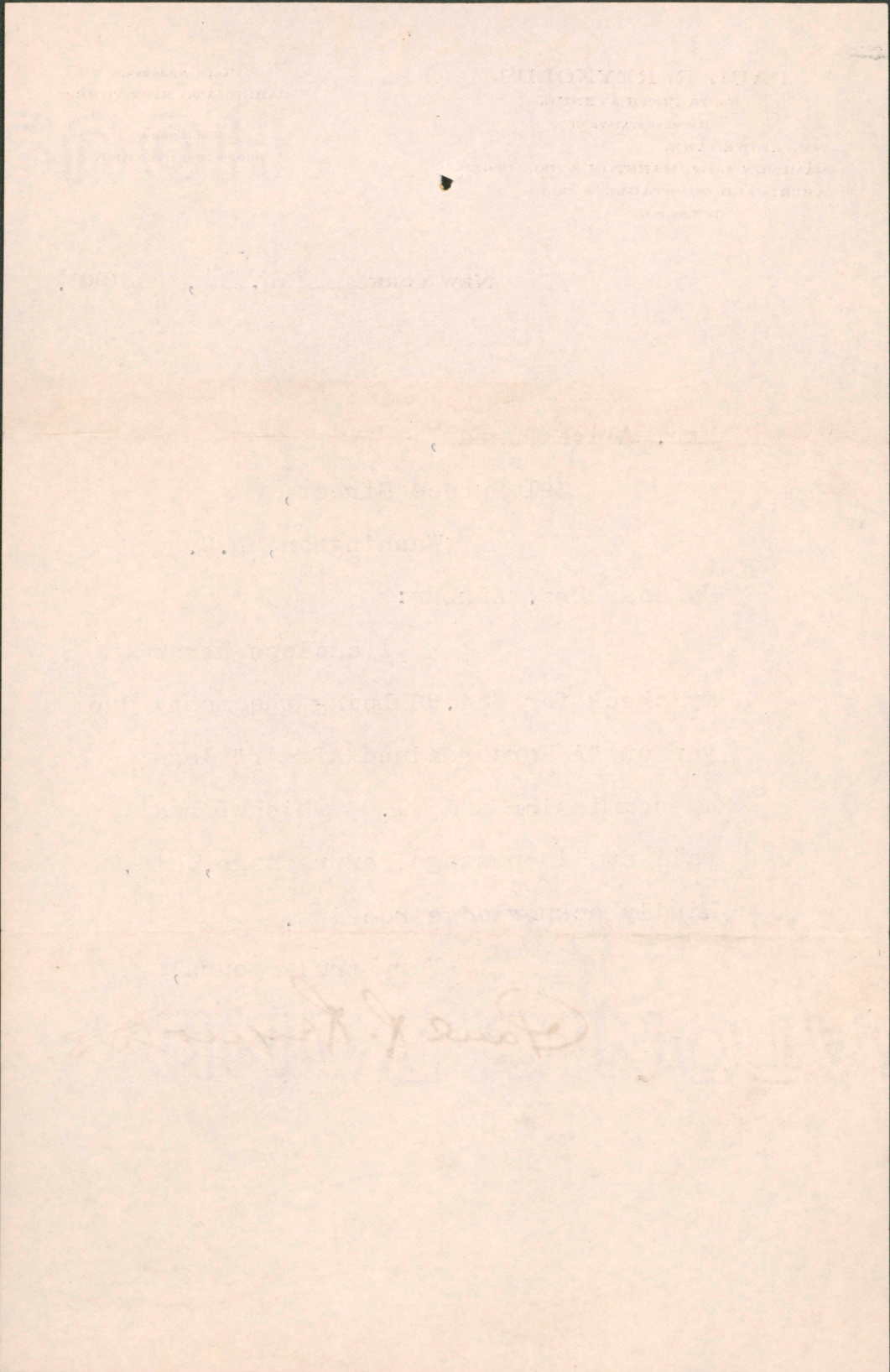
My dear Mrs. Dunbar:

I enclose herewith
my check for \$34.96 being the money due
you on "A Foreordained Affair" less
my commission and \$1.04 which I had
paid out in postage, expressage, etc.
Kindly acknowledge receipt.

Very truly yours,

Paul R. Reynolds.





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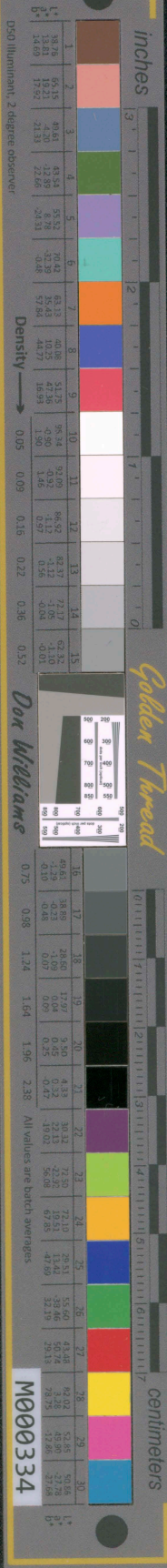
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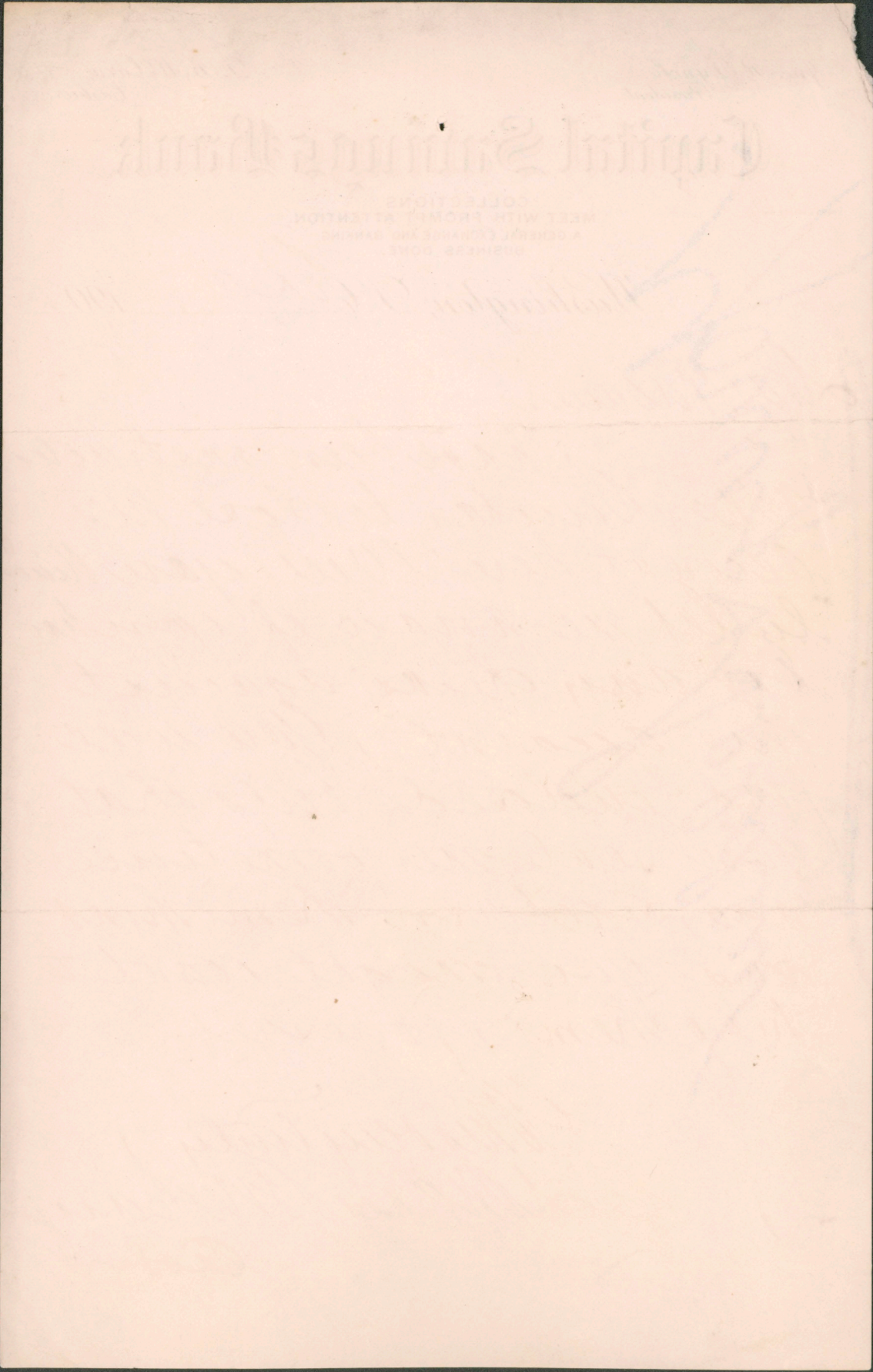
Washington, D.C. Feb. 26, 1902

Dear Madam:

I have been instructed
by Mr. Lumban to close his
account here, Will you kind-
ly let me know if you have
out any checks against
this account, You will
find enclosed bills that
you sent me sometime
ago, I return them think-
ing you might want to
keep them yourself,

Very truly,
D. B. McCarty
Cashier





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Board of Education of the District of Columbia,

From:
CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL,
DR. FRANCIS R. LANE,
DIRECTOR OF HIGH SCHOOLS.

WASHINGTON, D. C.

February 24, 1902.

To: Miss Alice Dunbar,
327 Elm Street, N. W.,
City.

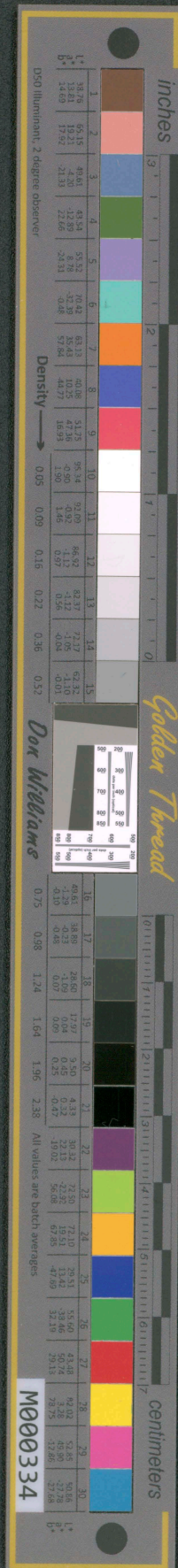
My dear Madam:

I am in receipt this morning of your application for a position to teach in the M Street High School, and also of a letter commending you from Mrs. Francis. There is no vacancy in this school, but there may be an opportunity for you in the coming school year. I should be glad to see you, at your own convenience, in this connection, some time before the first of May.

With regard to substitute work, it would be well for you to make arrangements with Mrs. Cooper.

Very sincerely yours

Dr. Francis R. Lane



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M.S.B. PARACORD FINE



From: Elizabeth K. Matthews
Olympic, Washington

To: Mrs. Paul Laurence Dunbar
[321 Spruce St.
Washington, D.C.]

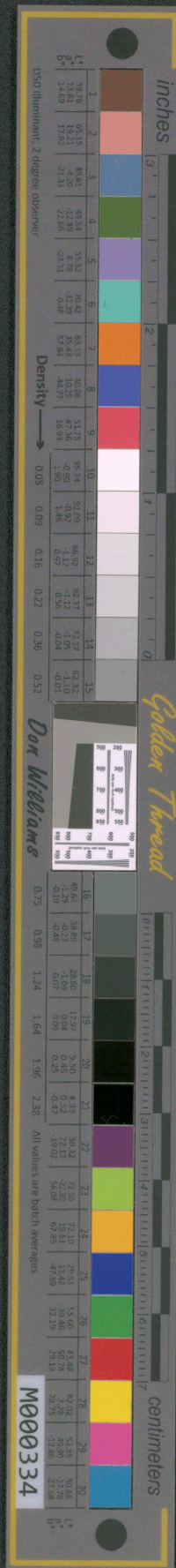
Olympic, Wash. 3-8-1902

Mrs. Paul Laurence Dunbar,
Dear Friend -

I wonder if
you will recall me, Elizabeth K.
Matthews of Les Moines, Iowa, who work-
ed with the teachers in New Orleans
in the spring of 1895.

Soon after my return you sent me
a copy of your poems, and in reading
in a recent newspaper I noticed com-
ment on your success and now you
are Mrs. Dunbar unless I am mistaken
in the individual, but it reads very
much as if you were the same Alice
Ruth Morris I knew. If so, won't you
write to me all about yourself and your
famous husband. I enjoy his writings
so much and yours also which I
have read with interest, not knowing
that I knew the author which gives added
interest now.

I came out here last fall and like it very much.
With kind regards to your husband & self
Your sincere friend, Elizabeth K. Matthews.





To: Mrs. Dunbar
[321 Spruce St.
Washington, D.C.]

From: Edwin H. Hackley

716 So. 11th St.

Philadelphia, Pa

March 23. 07.

My dear Mrs Dunbar —

Agalia turns over to me
your letter of the 19th inst. for
information asked.

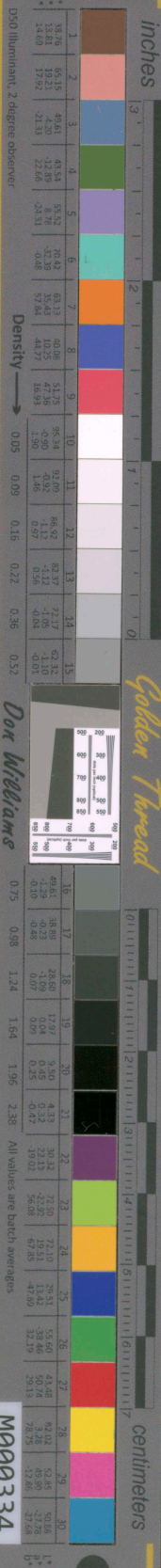
The first requirement in our
State is — One year's actual
residence prior to commencement
of action.

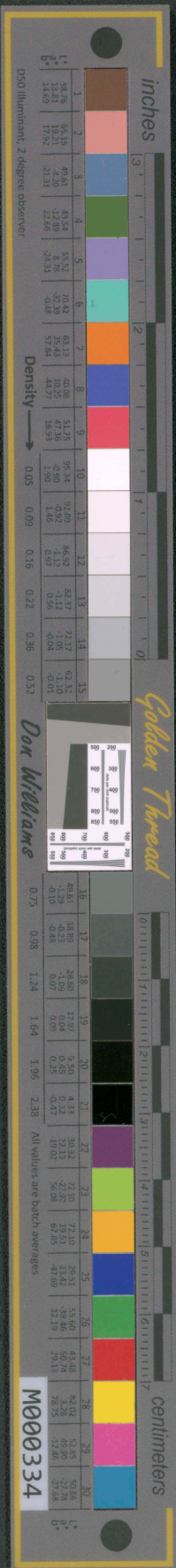
The statutory grounds for action
include Adultery, Extreme Cruelty,
Desertion, Failure to Support.

Desertion or failure to support
must have continued one year.

The other two grounds are immediate
causes.

Considering the residence feature
as it would probably appear in
court, I am afraid that your





eight months residence would not avail you now, for they are a bit strict now out there.

The requirements in South Dakota is six months residence, I believe, and it was so in Oklahoma.

But one must be actually living in any jurisdiction when and where action is commenced.

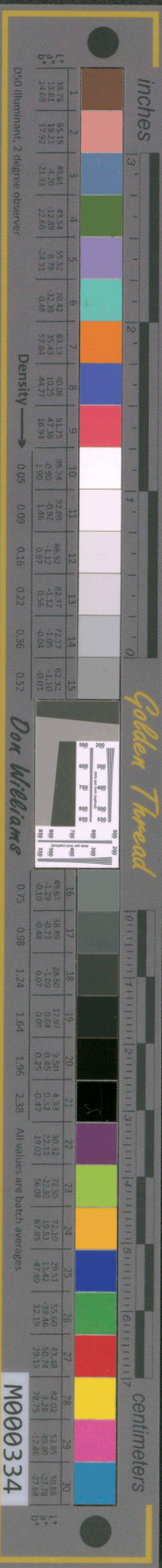
I presume that this is not just the kind of "advice" that you hoped for. It appears to me, however, that there should be a possibility right where you are that would preclude the necessity for going away or for teaching either for some time.

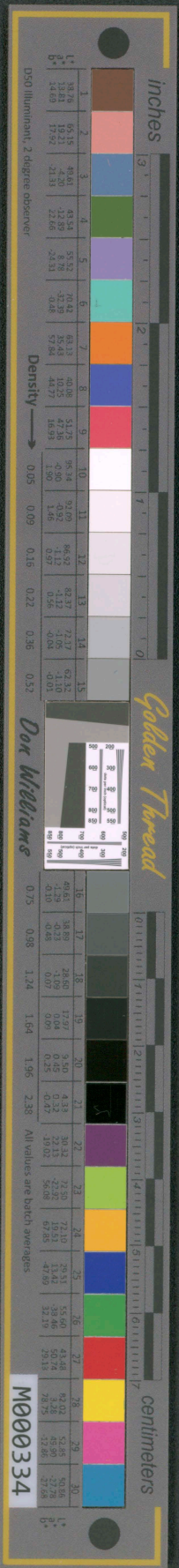
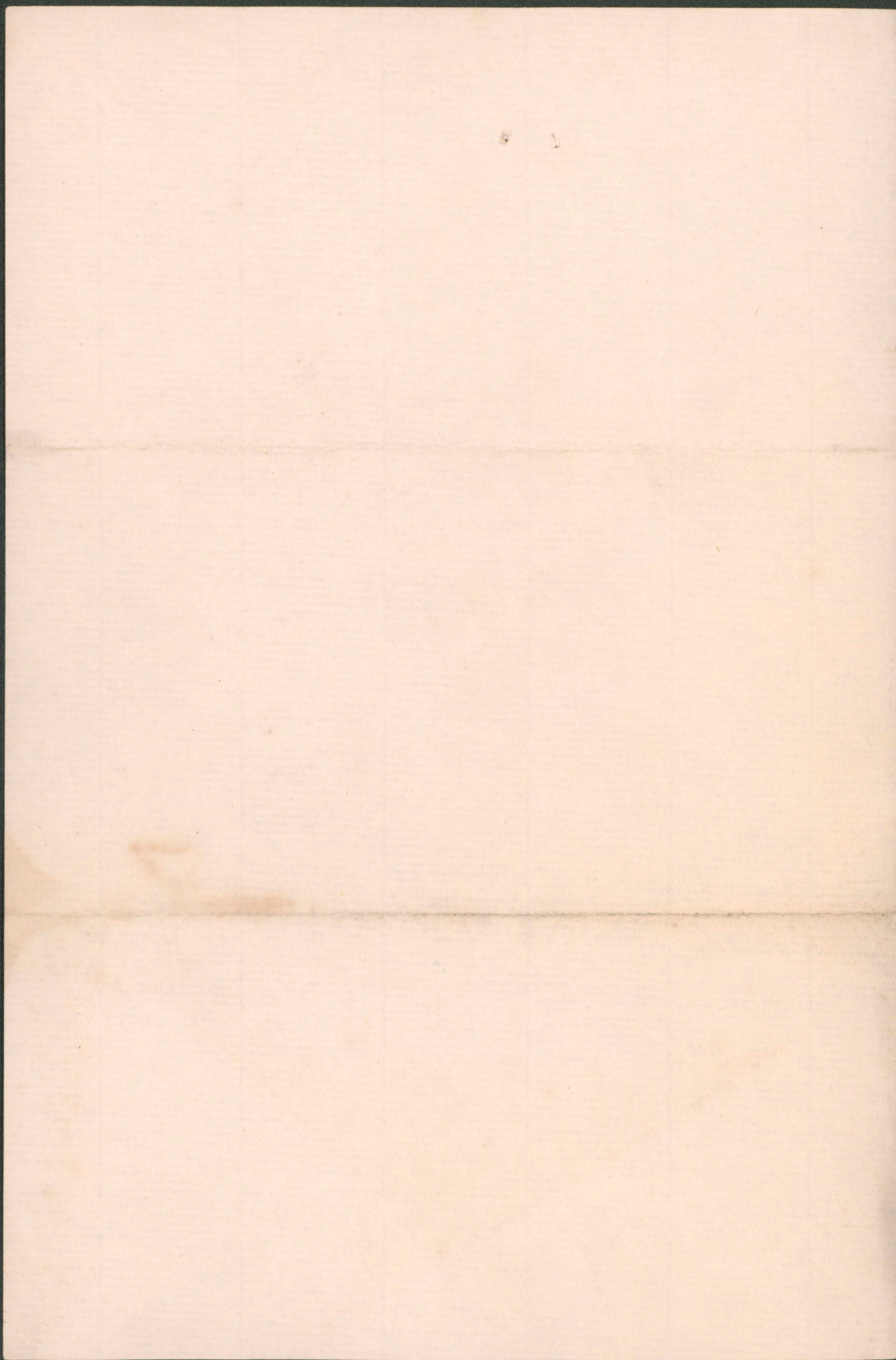
If I can do you any further favor, without becoming intrusive, address me. Very truly yours!

Edwin H. Hackley

1-22-17

P.S. Did you hear of the death of Mr. Neil, with whom you stopped?





Jno. R. Lynch,
President.

D. B. McCarty,
Cashier.

Capital Savings Bank

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Washington, D.C. March 24, 1902.

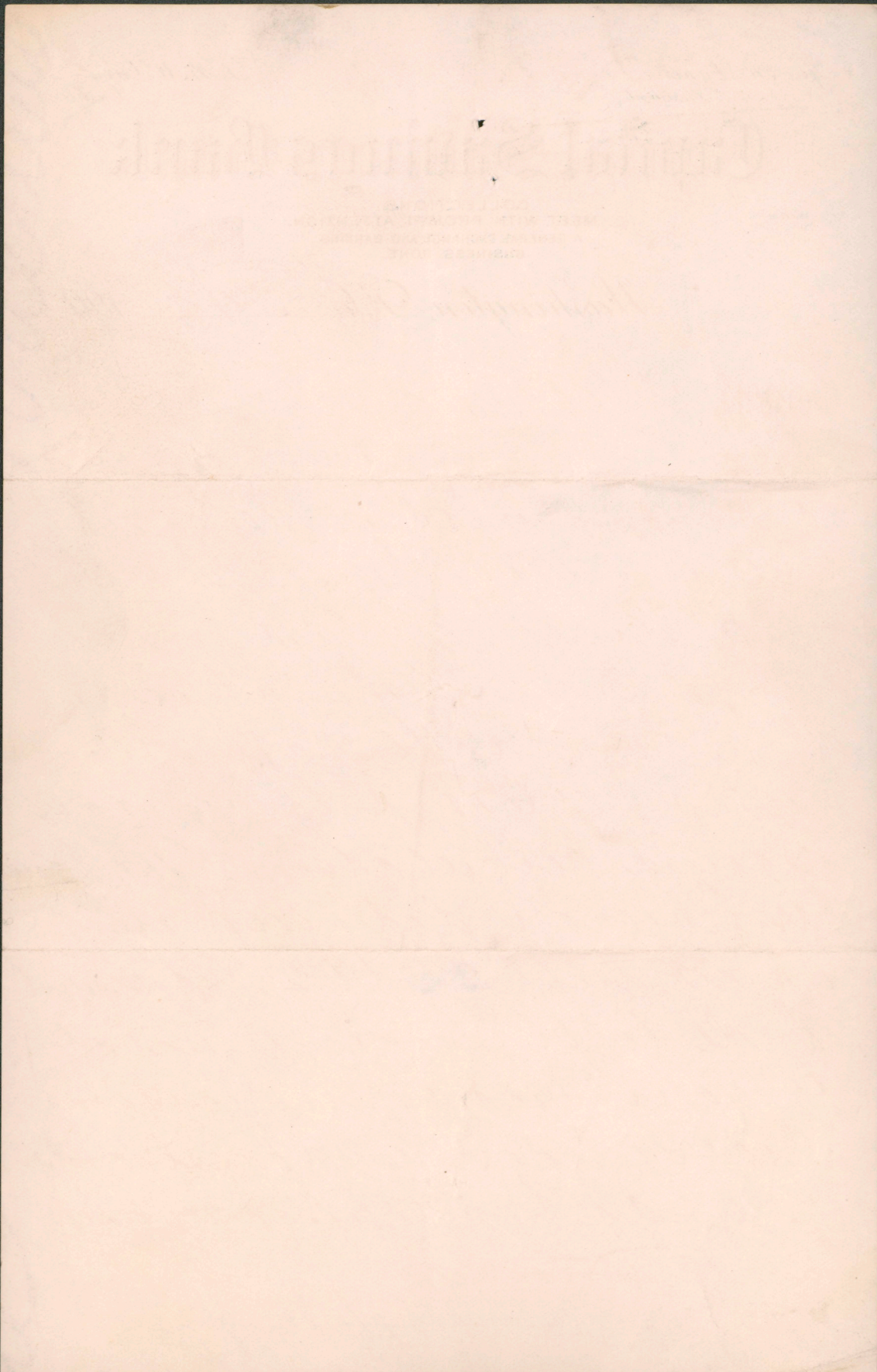
My dear Madam:

I have the honor
to acknowledge the receipt
of your letter of the 22nd inst.
In reply to the same I beg
to say that I am entirely
at a loss as to how the
rumor referred to by you
gained circulation. Mr. Dun-
bar, however, did send me \$25
on March 5th 1902. And request-
ed me to place the amount
to your credit. This was done.
I was under the impression that
you had been notified by him
of his action.

Very truly yours,
Douglas B. McCarty

1-22-18





inches

centimeters

D50 Illuminant, 2 degree observer

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
L*	39.12	65.43	49.87	44.26	55.56	70.82	63.51	39.92	52.24	97.06	92.02	87.34	82.14	72.06	62.15
a*	13.24	18.11	-4.34	-13.80	9.82	-33.43	34.26	11.81	48.55	-0.40	-0.60	-0.75	-1.06	-1.19	-1.07
b*	15.07	18.72	22.29	22.85	-24.49	-0.36	59.60	-46.07	18.82	1.13	0.73	0.21	0.43	0.28	0.19

Density → 0.05 0.09 0.16 0.22 0.36 0.52

Dor Williams

	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
L*	49.25	38.62	28.86	16.19	8.29	3.44	31.41	72.46	72.46	29.37	54.91	43.96	82.74	52.79	50.87
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All values are batch averages

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