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ST. LOUIS, Sept. 30, 1906.Mrs. Alice Morn Dunbar1008 French Street,Wilmington, Delaware.Dear Mrs Dunbar:

In reply to yours of the 26th instant. I thank you for your ready compliance in my request for an autographed and "Senter Hunted" book from you and your late husband, Paul Laurence Dunbar. Copies of these books will prove valuable additions to the Union Printers' Home Library at Colorado Springs, Colo., and go far toward making a grand autograph collection.

Yes, I hope you will be fortunate in securing one of Mr Dunbar's letters and using his signature as an autograph. If unsuccessful, place your own name and compliments in his book, the same as Mrs Gen Geo Wallace has done for us in "Ben Hur" Still better, would be Mr Dunbar's autograph signature and yours too.



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ST. LOUIS,

I have in St. Louis and I shall forward.
P.S. You may send books to Union Printing, Home, or to B. F. S.

And of course not forgetting your own book, which would be most acceptable, I can assure you. If you will give me the address of one other famous colored writer - a woman - I shall take pleasure in sending a request to her. I shall then have six prominent negroes represented upon the shelves of this library.

Through my efforts we now have 6,000 vols. Five hundred of which are autographed books from authors, public men, federal and state officials, lords, princes and princesses, etc, etc.

This courtesy is due us, for we are worthy collaborators and without our intelligent labor your book could not have seen the light.

Hoping for an early reply and wishing you continued success in a literary way, I am

Cordially and gratefully yours,

Reply

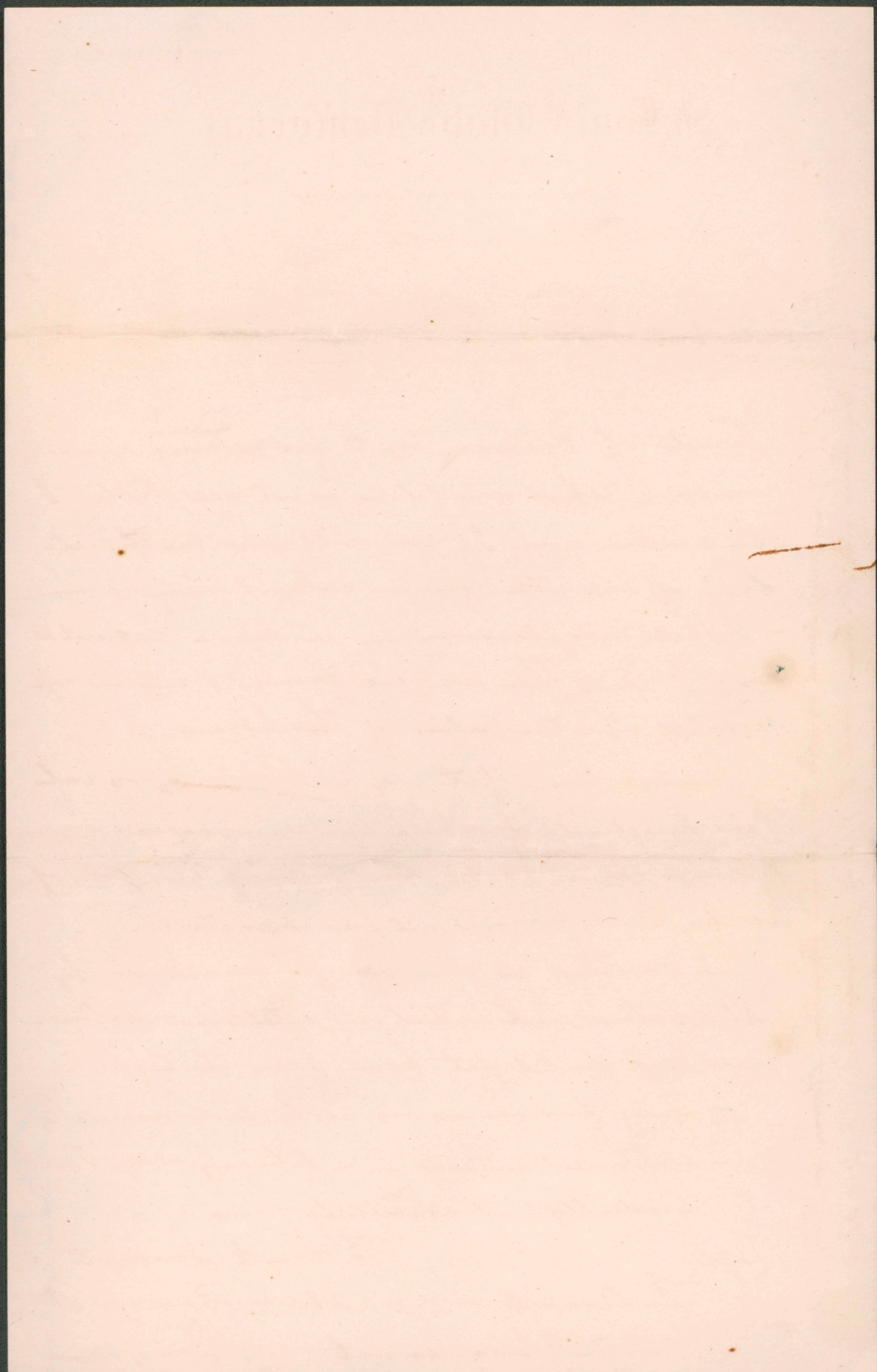
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ST. LOUIS,

P.S. A prominent negro educator, Prof. Murray, of St. Louis, suggested that I write you, and I am following out his desire and my own in the matter.

The story of "Leoguen" and Mr. Tanbar's Lyrics would be most acceptable. Whatever you do in the premises will be all right — two books or one book, bearing your autograph. The collection is now a very valuable one, and these presentation copies will be treasured and viewed by visitors and thus many years after you, ^{have departed} passed, the River Styx. P.S.

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CHICAGO, ILL.

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#37 Cecil Street, Springfield, Ohio,

October 30, 1906.

Mrs. Alice Moore Dunbar,
Wilmington, Dela.

My dear Mrs. Dunbar:

Do not judge my appreciation by my silence, we have moved, and I have been very ill since I last heard from you, and beside all that I have finished the biography and sent it on, and it has been accepted without a criticism. I write now merely to make plain to you something which I fear you may not have understood. You will remember that you very kindly offered to help me with the sketches concerning the cause of Mr. Dunbar's writing several of his poems. You may have noticed, also, that I did not urge you to give these to me. Now I want to tell you why. I do not think I was ever more touched by anything than I was by that beautiful offer of yours, neither have I ever appreciated anything more, but I did not feel that it was justice to you to urge you to help me, and I will tell you why. Mrs. Matilda Dunbar is to receive a royalty on every one of the books sold, and I received a cash payment for my work, which gave them all my rights in it. Knowing how his mother feels toward you and how she treated you at the time of his death, I did not think it would be right for me to allow you to do a single thing to help it on. You would not get anything out of it, and would have been, in a way, helping the "other side of the house." It is needless to say that this is in confidence, but I wanted you to know. I wrote you originally because I wanted to say only such things as would meet with your approval, and I feel sure that there will not be a word in the work that will in any way reflect on

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you. I said only what I wrote you I would say. That was enough, anyway. I have one more "confession" to make. The subject of using your picture came up, and I said I did not think best to use it. I did this without asking you, but believed it would meet your approval for about the same reason as I thought best not to ask you to help with the text. I did n't suppose you would care to have it used with hers, and sold for her benefit.

From all this do not imagine that I was not Mr. Dunbar's friend, or that I would not do all in reason to help his mother, for that would be untrue, but I fortunately have an outlook on life through both eyes, and usually try to see both sides of a question regardless of any "leanings" on either side.

As soon as the book is ready, I shall send you one. I think this will be early in the year-- tho' it may be ready by Christmas. I sincerely hope your health is improving.

Very sincerely yours,

Lida Keck Wiggins.

P.S. If I was wrong about your portrait, and you will be so good as to send it to Mr. Edward H. Dodd, telling him that I wrote you in the matter, I shall be very happy to have it go in. I do not wish to "dictate" any one's policy, and wrote about it on the "spur of the moment."

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ST. LOUIS, Dec. 13, 1906.

Mrs. Alice Moore Dunbar;
Wilmington, Delaware.

Dear Madam:--

We still desire a contribution of one of your books for the library of the Union Printers' Home at Colorado Springs, Colorado, as well as one of your late lamented husband's, Paul Laurence Dunbar, which you so kindly promised forward a few months ago.

In this connection I beg to state that the list of distinguished contributors seems incomplete without the name of Paule Laurence Dunbar and Alice Moore Dunbar included therein, and I trust you will make it possible to have them so included. Kindly autograph the books, and they will be a valuable addition to the shelves of our library, and at the same time, will afford much pleasure to the aged and infirm printers resident at the Home.

The Holidays are now at hand, and what time could be more fitting than the present in which to make your donation. Make the printers happy! This would be a marked courtesy from you to the craft of all crafts and I believe you will take real pleasure in granting this request.

Trusting you may see your way clear to redeem your promise and with the compliments of the season, I beg to remain,

Very respectfully yours,

W. F. Sargent
No. 2824 Bernard street,
or C/o Globe-Democrat.



[DEC. 16, 1906]

C. A. FLEETWOOD
1419 PIERCE PLACE,
WASHINGTON, D. C.

Your Villain:

It has been the hardest kind of a struggle to write this even to you. I put it by impersonal allusion into my speech as stated. But I do not talk about it - Not home whatever.

You could not have put my affection for you to a more drastic test.

If you wish to preserve the Memo. make a copy with your type - writer and burn this. Because it makes me feel queer. In the company you elapsed, I can never once doing as much.

Yours
Major.

12/16/06.

I was Sergeant Major of the -
4th Regt. U. S. Col'd Inftry.

DANISH BOND

Merry Xmas!

St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 25 / 1906

M^{rs} Alice M. Dunbar

Wilmington Delaware.

Dear M^{rs} Dunbar:

I have something pleasant to say.
Pleased? Very much. M^r Dunbar's book,
"Joggin' Eolog," came to me in good condition
and is a very handsome copy. I thank you for
it and will forward to the Printers' Home
within a few days. Four prominent negroes and
yourself have now favored us, and will say this,
and to the others as well (could they hear it), I
like your gift the best.

I immediately under M^r Dunbar's autograph
and your note I shall write "Presented by
Alice M. Dunbar," in the absence of your sig-
nature, making three autographs on the one
page, the least important of which is my own.
You overlooked the thought I desired your au-
tograph too in this book, but it is all right,
and I shall now ask you when sending your
own book to write a Sentiment therein, as W.
E. Broughardt Du Bois of Atlanta university so
kindly consented to do.

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The library now contains autographed books from the most distinguished and celebrated personages in America, and several titled foreigners. Our institution is one of the show places of the world, and the idea came to me about a year ago to invest the Home with a library. I have succeeded well, there now being 7000 volumes upon its shelves, and a magnificent autograph collection in connection. The books contained in this library are pleasing to the eye and of course good for the mind.

If at any time sojourning within the shadow of Pike's peak of the Rocky Mountain range, you are especially invited to visit the Union Printers' Home and enjoy its hospitality. Now wishing you continued literary success and a Happy New Year, I am,

Respectfully and gratefully yours

J. Fungert,
Printer with Globe-Democrat,
St Louis Mo.

P.S. You did a good job in cutting Mr P. L. Dunbar's Signature from one of his letters. It is a nice running hand.

An revoir!

B. F. S.



MAJ. C. A. FLEETWOOD
1419 PIERCE PLACE, NORTHWEST
WASHINGTON, D. C.

History:

Some years ago, an Army Historical Society made out a Certificate of my military service in the Sixties. In the little book front, was a place for a photo. I sat for this negative ~~and~~ had just one printed, for Edith, (not even one for the mother) and called it Edith's Negative, placed it in the book and gave it to Edith. Once since then she consented to a copy being used for an Inaugural Programme, I think it was McKinley last.) This time she gave consent to have one made for the Library of Lincoln Uni. at request of Prsdt. Rendall to have one for that purpose, that copy was enlarged, and she let me have a very few more for a very few whom both of us love. ~~as~~ so yours came. Now be good!

Opened my eyes quite a bit when you
said you kissed it right away.

What will you do when next you see
the original? Am afraid you
developed the striped journal of its
Uncleanness to me, in that it
did not kiss back. Cannot
say when the Trilogy can be
Completed, the other member smiled
but said nothing, Has never seen
I know, Since one else was pro-
sent when I passed your note to her.

She has been holding out bravely
so far in this time, but came
in with the starting of a mighty
severe cold and sore throat last Friday.
Got it - I knocked jolly well by
prompt and heroic treatment, seems
bribe and free today. Laura well.

Saw Morton Arnold, a week ago,
is well, Had not heard from
Sallie for some little time.