

Colorado Springs
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Dr. G. F. Black
Chicago Ill.

Dear Doctor Black-

The expressman has just handed me the two volumes of your book; on the fly leaf of one is inscribed a message from you and your signature.

What am I to say that will convey to you my sincere appreciation and the pride I feel in accepting this mark of esteem from you?

It is more than likely that you will be satisfied with a few words understanding that they are honest words and from the heart.

At least this is the way I read you during the few short weeks you were here and I don't think that I can be mistaken.

I shall cherish and honor this token from you and it shall stand as a stimulus and greater incentive to follow further the work that has been begun here.

I had your letter a day or two ago and I was distressed to learn of your illness. I am positive that I left you all right, so it must have been something those drunk boys did to you.

We shall be interested to receive the card you suggest for our further examinations and also your notes when you finish writing them. The appointment of that committee has not been completed for one reason and another: Dr. Slocum is in the East; the Chamber of Commerce Secretary has been away and also ill so I have been unable to reach him but with the coming of September, everyone will get down to business and I hope to report substantial progress before long.

It may be that the next important step will be the examination of the students at Colorado College after they have assembled. Also it might be wise to do that before asking for funds. It might outline just how much traveling we would have to do.

Your writing also will help us in putting the matter before the combined committee.

Yours with every good wish
Frederick S. McKay