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Wm J. O. Stevenson
Galveston

Dear Bro.

Your letter of Feby 21st with the deed is at hand.

You had written that Miss Knapp would not come but not so that I received it before writing those letters you acknowledge. Nor before have you said that Jones was not competent. I had never seen him as I think I wrote you.

I still think had you known the exigency you could have arranged for Miss Green to go to Galveston as she wrote me she was willing.

I want Miss Nelson's school self-supporting but neither it nor that

at Harrisburg has yet been. I have had to pay out money for both teachers. But this is not for you to mention, only to those that we had come claim on them.

I do not understand about Miss Knapp. I think we owe Miss Nickerson on last year's account but she failed to send statement and letters. It was the business of Maj' Clark who is absent now but I would like to know if she claims anything is due.

Now as to your school. I will send you down one good teacher as soon as possible. Will transfer Miss Keen from Longdale to Gatewood if she will answer. She is a lady of excellent education, but of no great force - a graduate of Rockford Seminary, of a devoted Christian spirit, offered to go to Texas or to California having determined

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to spend her life as a Missionary-
Would she be expected to govern
the large school? I judge that
Miss Gowman does in your absence
Perhaps Jones or Miss Burrell can
govern in your absence if Miss
Kerr shrinks from that duty.

I also have in correspondence a
Miss Clark - who writes a good
letter and can sing & play Melo-
-deon - has taught one term, is
35 years of age - of the Society of
Friends - She may fill the
requirement even better. Would
you like to have both of them.

If they come now can you get
them schools in the interior of
Texas where it would be healthy

and agreable for them to spend the Summer and return to Q next Fall?

Please answer these points by return mail. I will see that you have at least one teacher & I trust you will be satisfied.

My idea was if possible to get one in Texas but if not possible, will do the next best thing.

Glad to get the deed.

Fraternally,

A Houston