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J O Stevenson

Dear Friend & Bro

Yours of July 11 is here today - You may use your discretion as to exact terms of rent - I have signified to Col. DeGress a willingness to rent - Will you take the head of the school & the $110 if possible? Give Miss Nichols a place as high in wages as you can get - We will stand by our contract with her & put balance in Reasoning of the prefers.

Do you want Miss
Burnwell retained on
same terms? I think
you had better plan for
at least one Colored — I
will send you at least
as good a teacher for
Grammar Dept as
Miss Keen if possible &
I think I can — Miss
K. can do great good at
Brookhaven — Act ac-
cording to your best judgment
for A. M. A. consulting with
the Trustees — We ought to
have a handsome rent which
would pay the home rent & help
us to fix up repairs as you want —

Truly yours
C. H. Howard
Sec'y