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Austin Aug 12. 1871

Gen. C. H. Howard
Dist. Supt. A. M. A.
95 Lombard Block Chicago. Ills

Dear Sir

Your kind favor of the 28th ult is just received. Capt. Wm H. Griffin will represent the Educational Department of the State in leasing the building at Galveston belonging to your Association. The teachers whom you mention in your letter have been highly recommended to me by persons acquainted with them in this State. They have already accomplished much good. Will see that they are well provided for Capt Griffin is Supervisor at Galveston.

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Owing to the vast extent of territory, and the long time it requires to communicate with the officers of the Ed. dep. I am compelled to leave the assignment of teachers to the Sup. in nearly all cases. If you have any good competent teachers × × × you can communicate directly with any of the Sup. relative to their assignment. In this manner much time will be

saved. The teachers heretofore sent to Pecos under the auspices of your Association almost without exception have been of a superior quality hardworking and Christian people. We want more of the same kind.

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I am very respy your obdt. servt.

J. C. De Gress

P. S. You can send teachers to any portion of the state. Telegraph me and I will find places for them. We do not desire teachers before the 1st Monday in Sept.

J. C. De Gress