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J. O. Stevenson
Galveston Texas

Dear friend

I answered yours of 9th by telegraph. I had already written Sinclair. He said you personally proposed to withdraw — I would greatly prefer you should remain but if you & the trustees think I had better send some one to relieve you & if this will bring agreement & they will employ all our other teachers & let you start there, I will send a man to relieve you afterwards & would like for you either to go to Columbus Miss or to some other point in Texas as you may elect. However they probably are not disposed to accept all the teachers from us & will not allow you to begin — if so the school house must be closed till Oct 1st then you may open wholly under A.M.A.

In Haste — Ever yours C H Howard