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408 Fifth Street,
Baton Rouge, La.
January 2nd '07.

W. J. Kerr, Sc. D.
President of the Agricultural College of Utah,
Logan, Utah.

Dear Sir: —

I write to enquire if there is likely to be an opening in your College, in the Department of Romance Languages, for the coming scholastic year.

Since September 1906, I have been Assistant Professor of Modern Languages at this University, having entire charge of the Spanish Department, which comprises about 100 students, with 11 hours of instruction a week. I also teach 10 hours a week of Latin. This climate however is such that I wish to resign this position next June, and seek residence in some more bracing atmosphere.

Before coming here I had four years experience in teaching Romance Languages at Hamilton College, Lexington, Kentucky, and Bethany College, West Va.. I graduated from Bethany Coll. in 1898, with classical honours, have spent three summers studying at Cornell, and three full years at Yale ('02 - '05.) The M. A. degree was conferred on me by Yale in '03, and the remaining two years, I devoted to the Ph. D. in Romance Languages. That degree I

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have not yet actually received, owing to lack of opportunity to consult certain rare books, necessary to complete my thesis, - though I have done all the work 'in curso.' I spent three years and a half ('93-'96) abroad at Tangier, Morocco, where my Father was U. S. Consul General, and there received daily instruction in Spanish and French, from able teachers, and can claim a thorough knowledge, both literary and colloquial of those languages.

I am 31 years of age, and unmarried, and can send testimonials and give references, should they be desired

Very sincerely yours,

Julian T. Barclay.

Dictated.

Before coming to Cornell I was in teaching Romanic Languages at Hamilton College, Lexington, N.Y., and Bellamy College, West Va. I graduated from Bellamy Coll. in 1895, with classical honours, have spent three semesters studying at Cornell, and three full years at Yale ('92-'95) the M. A. degree was conferred on me by Yale in '95 and the remaining two years I devoted to the Ph. D. in Romance Languages. That degree I

Feb. 14, 1907.

Mr. Julian T. Barclay,
Baton Rouge, La.

Dear Sir:-

I am directed to inform you that, so far as known at present, there will be no vacancy next year in our department of modern languages. Your communication will be kept on file, and should a vacancy occur you will be notified.

Yours truly,

Secretary to the President.