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Ephraim Utah, Sept. 3, 1904.

Prest. W. J. Kerr,
Logan, Utah.

Dear Sir:-

Yours of the 29th ultimo is before me, and I answer at my first opportunity. The position you have so offer is just what I should like. However, I have consulted our principal, Prof. Noyes, and he says that he cannot release me this year. I am sorry I did not receive your communication in time.

In case the position should still be open next year, I shall tell you what I have done, and what I am doing. Besides graduating at the Snow Academy, I have completed work in the University of Utah, and have spent one summer in the University of California. I have also a D. B. degree from the Church. The subjects I have completed

are as follows: Elementary algebra, college algebra, plane and solid geometry, plane trigonometry, plane and solid analytic geometry, differential and integral calculus. I think it will not be necessary for me to name the subjects in other lines, but I have also completed courses in history, literature, science, and pedagogy. My aim has been to keep balanced as well as possible till I was ready to specialize.

My experience, ^{as an instructor} has been confined almost wholly to high school work, having had charge of the mathematics in the Snow Academy for the past six years. I have also been reengaged for the coming year at a salary of \$1000⁰⁰.

I am satisfied with my present position, except that there is no particular chance for growth. If you think proper,

I should like to learn more of the position
and your offer, as I am very anxious to
continue my work. For some time, I
have been silently looking for a position
of that kind.

Very truly yours,
Wm. L. Barton.

Sept. 7, 1904.

Mr. Wm. G. Barton,
Ephraim, Utah.

Dear Sir:-

I have your favor of the 3d inst., in which you state that on account of having previously engaged in the Snow Academy, you would not be able to consider at this time a proposition to come to the Agricultural College. As it is not our desire to interfere in any way with the work of other educational institutions, we should not wish to offer you any inducements whatever to leave your present position. I think we shall arrange temporarily for the work in the department of mathematics this year, and, should you desire to consider a proposition, it is possible that there may be an opening next year. If so, I shall let you know.

Please convey to Principal Noyes my best wishes for his success and the success of the Academy.

Sincerely yours,

W. J. KERR, President.

(Dictated)

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