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December 30th 1888.

To the Honorable Board of Trustees,

University of Arkansas.

Gentlemen:-

I learn that Mr. E. H. Roberts, of Oxford, Miss. is an applicant for the chair of Mathematics in the University of Arkansas, and I desire to commend his application to your favorable consideration.

I have known Mr. Roberts well as a student at the University of Mississippi, from which institution he graduated with distinction in the year 1890. Since his graduation he has spent one year as tutor at the University of Mississippi and two years at Johns Hopkins University making a specialty of Mathematics and Physics. I know the importance of the position for which he is applying, but knowing Mr. Roberts as I do, I do not hesitate to say that I do not know anywhere a man of his age so well equipped for that important place. His qualifications are beyond question, and morally, socially and intellectually he is the peer of any young man in the state or elsewhere. It gives me pleasure to commend him to you with my unqualified endorsement.

Respectfully,

Wm. Bayard Rustin, Secretary of Mississippi.