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Hon. T. G. Hatchings,

Washington, D. C.

My dear Sir:

Our young friend, Hyman M. Fowlkes, whom you know very well, the son of Gus Fowlkes, expects to go to Washington for a purpose which he may make known to you, and wishes to secure some position or employment that will pay expenses while there; and as much more as the place will pay. I have explained to him the probable difficulties of getting a place at this late day, but I hope that difficulty may be overcome. It gives me pleasure to assure you that Hyman is one of the best young men in Jackson, and as good all round as you will find anywhere. He is intelligent, well educated, industrious, attentive to business, and his habits are excellent, absolutely unexceptionable, so far as I know *and* believe. I feel a decided interest in him and will take it as a special favor if you will aid him in this matter in any way you can. Hyman has been educated as a physician, and I think, has his diploma- of this. I *and practice* am not certain- and it is his purpose to pursue his studies in that profession later on.

This is not ^a perfunctory compliance with a request ~~made~~ *made* young, but it is an earnest appeal in behalf of my young friend, and with a sincere desire that you will get a place for him if possible.

Your friend sincerely,

J. M. Stone