Mr. A. L. Addison (6)

Gent.

Your communication yesterday announcing my discharge from your employ — I read with the deepest regret — for many reasons, without the right to complain — If I have not pleased you, I have the satisfaction of having a clear conscience that my solicitude & capabilities have been most sincerely devoted to your interest, and my inability to give you satisfaction has not been for want of either devotion or inclination —

I thank you most kindly for your good feelings expressed towards me & shall always appreciate them. If you have any other reasons than those assigned in your letter for discharging me, you will confer the most friendly favor possible on me, by frankly avowing them — As you are well aware that the fortune of one, who has to carve his own way in this world, materially rests upon a sound & unsullied character —

Regarding my salary. I do not recollect that I have ever had any definite understanding, please say what you consider my services have been worth since with you — If in your debt I trust soon to pay you, either by my own efforts or by asking a favor from my father —

Believe me Gent. most Respectfully

Your Obt Svt

R. Conway

N. Orleans March 6 '42