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I have just rec.d a letter from Mr. Thos. Pettigrew expressing a wish to obtain the situation of Chief Clerk to the Senate of the United States, in the event of its becoming vacant, of which he says there is at this time a strong probability, and solicitates much on your friendly exertions in his behalf – I therefore take the liberty to address you on the subject, though his being my kinsman, forbids my saying of him more than, that knowing him to be sensible and warm hearted, and believing him to be of the strictest integrity, I feel a warm interest in his welfare, and should he be so fortunate as to procure the situation shall be highly gratified – You however are acquainted with him, and from your knowledge of the duties of the Office, to which I am a stranger, are better able to form a correct judgement of his fitness for the place he seeks than I am; and if you think him qualified, I beg you to be assured, that any services you may render him, will be received as an obligation imposed upon me –

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