

Baltimore, June 3 1890.

Dear Dr. Jordan:

I understand that Mr. Steele left here last night, expecting to visit Bloomington on his way home. Dr. Warren expressed high commendation of him to me some days ago, and all Mr. Steele's colleagues here seem to agree as to his worth. He seems to me to be an earnest, reliable man. Mr. Turner, Assoc. Prof. of History in Wisconsin University, a classmate of Steele's and an associate Ph.D. here of mine, also speaks highly of him. I mention these things for what they are worth in helping you and the Board to a conclusion; if you need another man in Latin. For my part

I feel sure Steele would do well.

I have completed my course here satisfactorily - Dr. Adams says "creditably" - and you may now feel free to dub me Doctor. Your address on the catalogue two weeks ago was a little too previous. I thank you for the remembrance, and for your good intentions. I cannot well leave here before the latter part of next week, so I will miss the Commencement at home. I hope everything will pass pleasantly.

I am expecting a Professorship in American History and to be placed on the Professors' list in salary. Let me hear

Johns Hopkins University.

Baltimore,

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from you upon the action of the
Board.

Very truly,

James Albert Woodburn

P.S. I have not thought it necessary
to make an official report of myself to
the Board. I made a considerable report
to you in March and Dr. Adams said
he would write to you. From this you
can represent me to the Board. You
know all that need be said.

J. A. W.

J. A. Woodburn

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Steele and

himself -