Petersfield, Illinois, Sept 6, 1849.

My dear Sir,

Major Hart Fellow of Schuyler County contemplated removing to Oregon, and an appointment to one of the vacancies in that territory would be very acceptable to him. You are so well acquainted with the Major that it is unnecessary to speak particularly of his character and qualifications for office. His integrity and talents command respect and confidence wherever known. His qualifications for a judgeship are highly respectable, and for the office of Secretary of the territory no one had greater. We therefore earnestly and cordially invite you to recommend Major P. to your mind as officer, and respectfully request that in a letter to the military department, you will urge and enforce the application of the Major, and you will cause it to be

Your friend,

[Signature]

To the Hon. A. Lincoln
Springfield, Ill.

Mrs. S. Grimsby
R. M. McAllister
W. M. McAllister
G. W. Sumner
Mr. A. McCulloch
B. H. Hay
Charles D. Dodges
David A. Smith
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S. Grimsby
N. W. Knapp
A. H. Williams
Secretary or Judge Oregon

May 21st, Fellow men,

8d Sep. 20, 1859

Geo. D. Brown

We shall not forget that our duties are no

less important because they are not

recognized by the world. We are

not sons of the soil, but sons of

the law, and as such are

responsible to the law for

the conduct of our lives.

We are not here to

preserve the old

order, but to

establish a new

order, that

shall be

based upon

equality and

brotherhood.

Sincerely yours,

Geo. D. Brown