

Dear Mr Leland,

your letter about the \$100,000.00 loan has reached me here and I am sorry that such an amount would be impossible for me even if I had thought of helping with a business enterprise.

But beside that my idea of helping your father was more personal. It is something in the way of a fund that would yield him an adequate income and as I could not contribute more than \$25,000.00, I hoped to interest my brother and a few others who are also under obligation to your father. But I have not yet asked my ~~braxx~~ brother what he could do as I have no definite plan. And he has not even said that he wanted to join me when I told him of my wish to do something.

If your father is able to accept my invitation to Beaufort, perhaps we can work out some plan. And if he cannot come, I will go to Detroit in May.

yours Truly,