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Mr. O. L. Emerick
Division Superintendant
Loudoun County School Board
Loudoun County, Virginia.

Dear Mr. Emerick:

Replying to your letter dated November 21, 1944, with reference to the school situation in Loudoun County among the colored children, especially in St. Louis.

Replying to the first paragraph of your letter, I do not quite understand the statement that if my clients at Middlesburg are disposed to make a disposition of the matter of an addition to the present building, it will probably postpone for many years the erection of the new building. If you have something definitely in mind as to the erection of a school building--that is in the very near future--that will meet the approval of the parents in that area, but if you have in mind some building to be erected after the war is over, then I think the solution to that is to erect some temporary building so as to give adequate accommodation for those children, who do not have such school building.

It is not my desire nor the desire of the parents in the community to resort to court actions in order to have the necessary school facilities. It is always more agreeable to us to do our duty without having to be forced through court. If we have to resort to court actions it would mean a more expensive undertaking. Your statement that my threatening to have court actions in order to get the necessary facilities was not my intention. However, if you feel that that is the only way by which we can get equal school facilities in the county, then that is the only avenue opened to me.

I noticed that on December 12 the school board would meet. I hope that at this meeting you will make certain provisions for the Colored inasmuch as at your last regular