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Hon. Geo. B. Cortelyou,

Sec'y. Dep't. of Commerce and Labor,
Washington, D.C.

Mr. Secretary:

Most of us here know the necessity of having a Chinese and Emigration Inspector stationed in Sonora, Mexico, to prevent a further influx of Chinese into this country through Mexican ports. It has been very difficult to get the right class of men for this duty. I have been informed that the government intends to place such inspector soon in Mexico.

In this connection I most heartily and urgently recommend the appointment of Mr. J. D. Milton, a man of undaunted courage and high character. He knows every mountain trail in the southwest. He was for many years the Wells Fargo & Co's. guard on its trains and has been badly wounded by train robbers, and almost disabled in the left arm in a hold-up that occurred at Fairbanks on the Benson & Guaymas Railroad, in which he killed one of the robbers, wounded another and saved the treasure. Mr. Milton is, in my opinion an ideal man for this particular business, and you can

Wishing you every success in the performance of the high duties to which you are now called and bespeaking for you all health and prosperity, I remain

as no mistake in having him appointed, as he will do his duty as

de sees it and will do it intelligently, and he cannot be bought.

Yours very sincerely,

Marcus A Smith