

[Aug 6, 1886]

Dear Judge Hines

It has ever been characteristic of you to manifest a kindly and affectionate interest in the welfare of each and every one who possessed the distinction of being numbered among your friends. Knowing this and desiring to attest in some way the appreciation we have of your character as a man, ~~and~~ our esteem for you as a friend and neighbor and our recognition of your distinguished services as Chief Justice of the highest Court in our Commonwealth; we, whose names are hereto attached, beg to present you with the accompanying Ocean Steamship ticket which will, we trust, be accepted by you not only as a slight expression of our regard and esteem, but also as a token of our solicitude for your health and general welfare. We believe that a trip to Europe will conduce greatly to your restoration to perfect health and afford you much needed rest and recreation. It is our desire that you avail yourself of this opportunity and trust a kind Providence will secure to you a safe and pleasant voyage going and coming across the "deep blue sea" and that you may be returned to the bosom of your family, and your host of friends, in possession of perfect health which will bid them hope that your life will be spared

Impt.