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May 19th 1923.

Dr. J. W. Harris.
Polytechnic Institute,
San German.

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Pm
Harris
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Dear Sir:-

Although a stranger to you I desire to express you my congratulations upon the magnificent work you are carrying out in behalf of Porto Rico by up-building the Polytechnic Institute of San German. I have followed with interest the gradual development of this well needed institution and am very much convinced that before long it will be one of our "prides". I come from Syracuse University, and under the splendid work of our chancellor Day, now deceased, I saw it grow from a simple and practically unknown institution to one of the leaders in the U. S. This venerable educator made up his mind that it was his duty as it was his desire to give Syracuse the benefit of all the colleges which make up a complete University and every summer he would start out on his "fishing" excursions, sure to bring back in the fall a new building to the University. And so he gave it first a College of Applied Science. And latter a school of Chemistry, a magnificent gymnasium, a splendid stadium, a college of forestry, a new hospital, several dormitories and a bunch of other dependencies.

And as far as I can see, you are doing, Mr. Harris for San German what Dr. Day did for Syracuse, and it is for this reason, and be-

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cause of the enormous good which you will do for the Island in up
building such institution of learning that I desire to congratulate
you most sincerely.

I only lament that I am not in a position to offer you my pe-
cuniary cooperation, but if in any other way I may be of help to you
in the carrying out of your program I will be only too glad to do so.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Miguel Ferrer", written in a cursive style. The signature is positioned below the typed phrase "Yours truly," and is enclosed within a simple, hand-drawn oval or loop.