March 9.

Hon. John W. Weeks.

Secretary of War.

Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Secretary:

Although you told me to call and see you whonever I saw fit, I do not want to take up your valuable time in these days when you need it so badly for the reorganization of your department. But I do want to have a little talk with you about Porto Rico, before I see the President, and would esteem it a favor if you would kindly make an appointment with me to call at your convenience.

Believe me to remain.

Very respectfully,