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To the Members of the Insular Board of Education:

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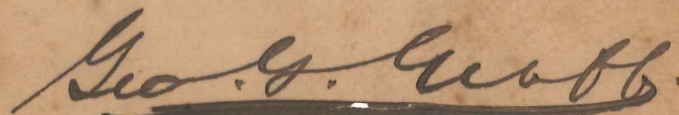
The time has come for me to say to you adieu. I address you as a personal friend whom I have learned to honor, respect and love. I had hoped to remain with you, and with you to build up a public school system for Porto Rico. Other men may conceive and execute more brilliant schemes, but none could have had at heart the welfare of the Island, and none can labor more persistently for its children than I would have done had I remained with you.

I thank you most sincerely for your support of all the plans and enterprises which I proposed for your children. I thank you for all your kindness to me in my official work. I will always remember you as a friend.

I may remain on the Island a little while to assist Dr. Brumbaugh in starting his work, for my interest has not abated. If it is possible I will see you and make my last farewell in person.

With kind regards, as ever,

Your sincere friend,



Acting Commissioner of Education.

Mr. R. H. Todd,

San Juan, P. R.