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Letter from E. C. Southworth to Governor E. Ransom

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January 30, 1848

Allegan, Michigan

A letter of E. C. Southworth to Governor E. Ransom. The writer says that "believing thus Mr. Littlejohn bill for appropriation of Land for the benefit of the Holland Colony will receive that attention at the hands of the Legislature which we in this part of the state think it merits and thus a commissioner will be appointed to cary [sic] out the design of the law. I would respectfully solicit the appointment to that office if it can be done consistently [sic] with your feelings and with a view to the public good,..."

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Dear Sir

I am about to trouble you with a request and I hope to be excused as it is the first time since my residence in Michigan that I have ever asked any favour of the Executive.

believing that Mr Littlejohns bill for appropriation of Land for the benefit of the Holland colony will receive that attention at the hands of the Legislature which we in this part of the state think it merits and that a Commissioner will be appointed to carry out the design of the law. I would respectfully solicit the appointment to that office if it can be done consistently with your feelings and with a view to the public good, I have no claims to any office either Elective or by appointment for services rendered my party as that is a doctrine I do not acknowledge, but if that was any test I may safely say my chance would be as good as most men in these parts, My object in asking for the office is pecuniary benefit to myself and my family

I am Sir Very respectfully

Yours

Southworth
Southworth

Wm. E. Ransom

E. C. Southworth's
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for office of Comm.
Under act for
aid. of Hel. Cd.

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