

Roscoe Conkling
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United States Senate Chamber,

Washington, Jan 5 1877.

My dear Sir:

Noting your letter
of the 2nd, requesting that your
association may have a hearing
before the Senate Committee on
Commerce, it will, I think, facil-
-itate your purpose if you will
send your views in writing or
still better in print.

The practice of the Committee
from necessity is in favor of
printed statements, but if you
prefer an oral hearing I will try
to so arrange it.

Very Respectfully
Yours
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