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United States Senate Chamber.

the Washington. April 20 1866

Sir

The man James A. Hoop  
of New York Conn. now hold-  
ing an office in the Custom  
House N. Y. is a Cousin of  
mine. He is, I am well assured  
a competent faithful and  
intelligent Officer and I sin-  
cerely trust will be retain-  
ed. He is the only one in your  
jurisdiction in whom I feel  
a special interest

Very Yours  
John Sherman

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