Cincinnati, July 18, 1864.

Joseph H. Barretts Esq.

Dear Sir,

A few days since

Harry Bonden called on me with a letter you wrote to T. G. Mitchell regarding him, and I promised that I would write a line to you in his behalf. Until now the circumstances has been totally inadequate, and Bonden has been compelled to do all the work himself, for he has no assistant. He works very hard, I know, and I think he ought, under the increased duty, have an opportunity to show what he can do when assisted. The work has increased so you know, Sir, immensely. There are numerous complaints. Many of these are unreasonable - most of them