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Treasury Department,  
Washington.

December 14, 1889.

Mr. John D. Sloane,  
Supervising Inspector of  
Steam Vessels,  
Saint Paul, Minn.

My dear Sir:

I am requested to forward to you the inclosed letter, which I do with pleasure, and desire to say that the writer, Mr. Van Sant, is one of the most prominent citizens of Minnesota, and a man whose judgment is worthy of much weight, while Capt. Scott, whose retention he desires, was strongly recommended for the position of Supervising Inspector by steamboat men and other kindred influences.

Very truly yours,

*Wm. D. Mendenhall*