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My dear Daisy Matter;

You ask to know definitely the situation here

& I am enclosing ^{by way of answer} the rating given my

"credentials" which constituted ~~the~~ "Oral" examination

for the promotion to the Group B salary class

reserved for "Superior" teachers. This examination

the called "Oral" did not consist in questions &

answers at all - simply the investigation of

ones claims for "Education," "Administrative work"

"Professional Growth" &c, &c, each item under which

is mathematically demonstrable. When I tell you

that a teacher of cooking & another of kindergarten

thro political influence have been passed above

me the kindergarten taking her first degree

at Howard U. after this examination & that neither

had been in the system as long as five years

against my 38 it does not take long to see

I note that my marks have been uniformly excellent & that on this rating "Cooperation"

which admits a judgement of ones spirit is rated 100% i.e.

does not love me because I had the hardihood to

point out the enormous discrepancy in the pro-

portion of those "Superior" salaries in the

white & colored schools at which time ^{only} 2 out of

56 were in our schools (our population is about $\frac{1}{3}$)