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**TO:** R. S. Stevens

**FROM:** T. G. Gorman

Parsons, July 16, /75

Hon. R. S. Stevens

Dear Sir:-

I am about to leave the service of the M. K. & T. R. W. Co. and take the liberty of writing to you and asking you as a special favor (if you deem me worthy of it), to interest yourself in my behalf in obtaining a position as M. M. on another road. I would prefer a situation on an Eastern road, but as beggars can't be choosers, I would be glad to take one where I may get it. If you hear of a vacancy, and can consistently endorse me, I will feel under lasting obligations to you and try to not disgrace your influence. I would also feel very thankful to you if you will be so kind as to send me a letter of recommendation, as it will be a valuable addition to those I have got, and of which I shall feel very proud when I get to old to use any letters, as well as at the present time. I regret very much being obliged to sever my connection with yourself, and hope at some future time, to be again under your management, and control, and now take pleasure in returning to you my most sincere thanks, for all your kindness to me while under your management. I do not know how soon I will be relieved from here, but expect in a few days, when I will go to Springfield, Ills., and a letter addressed to me to Box 320, Springfield will be thankfully received.

Very Respectfully Yours,

T. G. Gorman

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<sup>1</sup> FROM: Book of letters to R.S.S., July 1875 to April 1876.