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STANTON C. PEMBERTON
34TH DISTRICT
OAKLAND

FORTY-SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
STATE OF ILLINOIS
SENATE

Springfield, Illinois,

March 25, 1909.

Mr. L. C. Lord,

Charleston, Illinois.

My Dear Sir:-

Your letter of the 23rd inst. gave me great pleasure. I have been made very uneasy by reading some of the items in the Mattoon and Charleston papers regarding your institution. I realize that if the contentions at home are of sufficient magnitude an impression will be created throughout the state that there is something wrong with the management of the Normal school at Charleston and the good name and high reputation this school now has will be weakened and it will require many years to regain it. I honestly believe that you are considered one of the best Normal school men in Illinois. I hear this from all sides when they are not attempting to flatter you and I have added my little aid in convincing all with whom I am acquainted that the management and control of this school is the best and I do hope that no prejudice or unpleasant event will be circulated or discussed among the citizens of our community sufficient to even permit a rumbling throughout the state that there is any discord in this institution. In my judgement, this is the worst thing that could happen to