

75 City Councilors

Sept 2nd / 78

Dear Dr Thurson

I am sitting down
this afternoon almost
begging on despair
to ask you if you
would kindly lend
me a little money
until Oct 1st when
I shall not forget to
return it to you I
seem to have lived
thru the few past
months with the
heart suffering &

anxiety of how to
provide the daily
meal for my chil-
dren. & for the past
week have had to
live on dry bread.
I have lacked my
mind to think
of some employment
but could hear of
nothing I feel heart
broken being de-
prived of the com-
mon necessaries
of life hence my
presuming to
Inson to ask so

great a favor
from you but in
frankly my request
from wife & care
my children the
miseries of hunger
so painful for a
mother to witness
May I beg of you
to allow this letter
to private for one
naturally I shrink
from the world
knowing our afflic-
tions I have opened
my school to day
with only a few

of my pupils but
many of them have
not yet returned
from the country
I have to day let
one of my lovers
May I ask you to
remember me
Should you hear
of any students
My eldest daughter
is very anxious to
assist me all she
can and would
gladly accept a
poorness situation
Should you hear

of my & family
will you please
remember her?
I do not know what
I write but do pardon
my giving you so
much trouble &
again apologize
for asking so great
a favor from you

Believe me
yours faithfully
L. Harris

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