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Dear Sir

I understand that Doct Separk declines the position as Physician upon the Reservation - and as I proposed to advise you before applying to others I take this opportunity to tender to you the position and express the hope that you will accept. In the event you decline I wish you would drop a line to the Reverend Mr Stratton, so that he and Mr Mehan may secure me the services of some one at once. For one is very much needed here. Write also to me, whether you accept or not. I requested Doct Separk to confer with you, but Mr Howard who went out with him, states that he proposed going to see you, but the doctor advised otherwise. I do not

understand the reasons and there
may be some mistake about it -
but the condition of our Indians
demands a Physician immediately.

I believe I stated to you the
terms - but fearing it may not have
been set forth I will repeat it:
\$ a salary twelve hundred dollars
per annum & I. of course, a house
to reside in, rations for self, a
horse saddle and bridle furnished
and rations for the horse, in
addition to which I will furnish
an agency cow and supply
fuel. garden patch and have
it plowed. with privilege ~~to~~
to practice outside when it does
not interfere with his duties
upon the Reservation. These terms
may not be over flattering but it
is better than very many realize
in private practice. Our
arrangements are not very

good for dwelling house or office
but we hope to have better by
and by. We greatly desire to have
a Physician who can cooperate
with us in striving to better the
condition of these people, for
upon him rests a heavy respon-
sibility and he can exercise a
great influence either for or against
our efforts - If you feel that
you cannot thus cooperate, it
would be better to decline, but
I have no beans upon that ground

J C Grubbs M.D. { very respectfully
Dallas yours
Oregon } Joel Palmer
and Agent

copy Letter to
Doct Gessup