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No. 7 EAST FAYETTE STREET,

Baltimore, Md., Jan 11/91 1899

Howard Coover Landes

Annapolis Md

Dear Sir

Pardon Me for writing to you but as I know that there will be service for one or more Detectives at the State Banquet and you was so kind to answer my letter sometime ago if you remember in reference to the Parties who linched the colored Man in Annapolis I thought I would write to you on this occasion to ask you if you could not help me in this matter & can give you the best of reference - Mr Sam Stone & Mr Hoffman and Mr Benji Andrews, and many others - and as I am desiring to belong to your party and dont ask for any thing only in my line of Business hope you will give this some consideration  
yours &c  
T. J. Hardesty

Baltimore Oct 4<sup>th</sup> 1898.

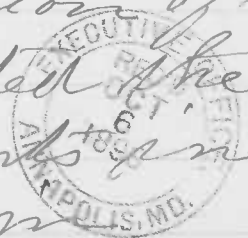
To his excellency.

Governor Lounds.

Annapolis Ind.

Dear Sir.

Pardon me for taking the liberty of writing to you, but I saw in to days issue of the News, that you are about to take steps to ferret out the Lynchers of Wright Smith the colored man who was lynched last night, and as I am in the Detective business, and have been very successful in a great many cases, I will simply mention one particular case, and that is the case of the arrest and conviction of the Hooley Gooly who desecrated the tomb stones and monuments in the River View Cemetery in



Williams Port Washington Co. I now  
ask your Honor to give me a chance to  
ferret out the parties who have committed  
the dastardly crime of lynching Smith.

I know I can give entire satisfaction  
my experience has been twenty years  
in the business, and I feel confident  
if I am given a trial, with my experience  
that I can, and will be successful in  
detecting some one, who was connected  
with the lynching. Hoping to hear  
from you favorably.

I remain your humble servant

J. J. Hardesty

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