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My Kind Madam:

You have my thanks for your obliging favor of the 10th inst. Since my dear friend, Gov. Walker, has passed on to the other world, it is a melancholy pleasure to learn when, where how he passed away. My first letter from him bears date 1852 - my last from him, June 7th 1873, from Oklahoma Territory, saying he designed soon returning to Wyandotte, wished me to write him there - which I did. In 1868, I visited him, & spent some 2 days with him, awhile before his wife died - & took a good many notes on historical matters, - mostly

on Wyandott history: So that all I have of his letters & notes of conversations number over 100 pages.

You speak of his having left manuscripts, letters, &c. I would be glad to have them, not only to aid me in my labors on Wyandott & other Indian history, but the better to enable me to speak worthily & deservedly of him. Therefore, if his wishes could be known, he would prefer that I should have them. If you & Mr. Smalley will think over the matter, & see if you cannot consent to spare them to me.

Gov. Walker & I not only had tastes in common about Indian antiquities & history, but we took the same views of the politics & public policy of the country. I have always

cherished a very high regard for him & rank him among the remarkable men of the country.

Please inform me if he visited the Indian country - Oklahoma - more than once; & when he returned from there?

Has he any brothers or sisters living - if so, their names, residence & age?

If you have any spare photograph of him, I would feel thankful for it.

I send some books & pamphlets - some of which may afford you or Mr. Smalley some interest.

Very Truly Your Friend,
over
Eugene C. Draper

P.S. - I may mention, that in
case you think ^{it} ~~well~~ ^{desirable} conclude
to spare me Gov. Walker's old
papers, notes, &c, that he may
have preserved pamphlets &
documents that would also
be desirable to me. L.C.D.