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Col. D. G. McIntosh,  
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Dear Uncle David;---

Do not really know whether to address you in the City, or out at Towson, but have decided that during the winter you will probably be in the City.

Can you realize that you have a nephew with an almost grown up daughter; a girl seventeen years of age, who completes her local schooling this session - then comes the question, where to school her, and along what line.

If Elizabeth was a child of ordinary intelligence it would not be a matter of such moment, but we do not feel that we would be doing the right thing by her in simply sending her to one of the many girls schools, or colleges as owing to her accomplishments to the present time she deserves more individual though in her case. This child has completed the twelve (12) year course in the City Schools in the remarkable time of Seven (7) years, and has invariably stood at the head of her class each year, never failing to make the Honor Roll in a single Month. Such a record has never been approached in the local schools.

Elizabeth has a very bright mind, is wonderfully well and deeply read, with one of those rare "place" memories that enables her to recall to mind any desired information and just where same is to be obtained, almost to the page in a book. But as bright as she is she would not make a successful Teacher, as she could never put up with dullness in her pupils, hence we have considered allowing her to think of preparing herself for some other, and for a Souther girl an unusual line, viz: that of your own profession.

What would your opinion be as to the advisability of allowing her to consider studying Law? Would like both yours and Davids opinion on this question, and if you agree that it would be well for her to do so, would ask that you make any suggestions, or give advice as to the best course for her to pursue in preparing herself for such a degree.

I am free to admit that personally I would prefer that she be willing to remain at home, and learn to do all the things that would best fit her for what I consider would be a happier life; but the young ladies of the present day cannot see it that way, so I am preparing to yield with the best grace possible.

If she should study for the Law it would be with the ultimate aim of fitting herself to devote her energies to mastering the intricacies of Florida Land Titles, of which you are going to hear much in time to come.

The average person is not awake to the fact that in this State the bulk of the Titles are defective, but they have a sad awakening ahead of them, and when they do realize the seriousness of the question then the Lawyer



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who has prepared to cope with this question will be in demand, and it is only a matter of a few years ere this is a momentous <sup>question</sup> ~~one~~ to the general citizen of the state.

Why at the present time you cannot get the large Timber Co's to agree to give other than a Q. C. Deed to the average tract of Land when they sell wild lands; and to my personal knowledge Father has the same trouble on his hands in that he has W. D's, and other parties have the same kind of Deeds to the same properties. What if you wish to sell that particular piece of land - you do not dare give other than a Q. C. Deed if you are wise.

This State will "boil-over" with litigation one of these days along the Land/title line and if Elizabeth is good as an Office Lawyer she ought to make her fortune in a few years.

Do you all ever think of coming to Florida for a trip?. if so remember that you have a nephew in Tampa that will be delighted to have you visit him and his family; and we will promise to show you a coming Southern City, and a right here, right now pretty good one as it is; come down and see us and bring that sweet wife of yours along as I know of no one that I would like to have my girls know better than Aunt Jennie. It is good for the present day and generation girls to know and appreciate such a true woman as they would see in Aunt Jennie, and I am sorry to say that in this cosmopolitan town they do not have the opportunity of seeing such often.

My invitation also is extended to David and his family as I should like above all things that our families be brought into closer touch and learn to know one another.

Give my love to Aunt Jennie and tell her that my wife has always been sorry that she has never had a chance to renew her brief but pleasant little acquaintance ship with her as she admired her immensely, so she will be equally glad to welcome her to our home.

Thanking you in advance for the trouble that I am putting you to in advising me as to the best thing to do with this girl of mine, and trusting that you are enjoying good health, I remain,

Your affc, nephew,

Francis B. McIntosh.