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Mexico N.Y.

Nov 12-21.

Prof. C. F. Binns.

Alfred, N.Y.,

No doubt you have waited a report on my application to My [written over with Mr] Esbesen of Mantawan Tile Co. Matawan N.J. The truth in that Mr. Esbesen did not want a man and would not pay a man in case he should hire one.

He was very much intested in my first letter and arranged to meet me in Boston saying that he would be ready to do business when he saw me. Well he put the engagement off twice and when he did meet me was not ready to talk as he wanted to meet another man and asked me to wait another week. at the end of the week he wired me that he had decided not to engage anyone.

Now I am very glad that Mr. Esbesen did not engage me as badly as I need work. His

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false statements and his general manner during the interview show him a man that can not be depended upon. I should hate to see any of my friends in his employ.

Please understand that which I have made a broad statement I have the evidence in the form of correspondence to back it up. I realize that you were acting with the very best intentions in telling me what you thought to be an opening. And I am writing this simply to let you know my results. Now please keep me in mind as I need

work badly. Have not had any income since  
Aug 1 and my expenses are very heavy.

Yours truly  
James L. Austin