

Personal.

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Col. Henry E. Dosch,

St., Louis, Mo.,

Dear Colonel:-

I have watched with interest the preparations for the Lewis & Clark Exposition, and am glad the management selected you for an important position. You can fill it, and well.

At times, together with others, I have felt as though more vim were necessary, more push in preparation, and publicity. It may be alright, but several have spoken to me about it, and flatteringly, of course, added that if I were there, somewhere, they didn't know where, work would be more in evidence. I feel sure everything is going ahead as should be the case. It is easy to see seeming defects, but not so easy to tell just where they are, or how to remedy them.

I wish I had something to do with the affair? I feel that I cd., push my share, but there seems to be no opening, so aside from wishing a big success, guess, I'll just look on.

Perhaps, you know I resigned my position on account of my eyes, and you may be pleased to hear that I am improving wonderfully.

I amuse myself writing for the press, using a typewriter instead of a pen. I get along without the use of glasses, and am doing some satisfactory work. Wishing you abundant success,

I am Very truly yours,

R.W. Mitchell,

Aug. 12.

P.S. Have held this until I could locate you. Have written to Mr. Wakefield, and took the liberty to refer to you. Will be ready to pitch in in one week. Havn't been as well in three years. Gogovernor Chamberlain has been here to see me, and look over things? Returned last night.

R.W.M.