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To whom it may concern

I certify that I have known Israel Jones, son of Nicholas Jones Esq of this town, for several years last past, and consider him a young man of good moral character.

He has taught our village school with entire satisfaction to his employers, and I shall be gratified to hear of his success in whatever business he may be engaged in the "great west" where he is going to "seek his fortune"

Respectfully &c

Geo. W. Patterson