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**J. Mahlon Barnes letter to W. Patton Griffiths**

1898

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## Summary

**Creator:** Barnes, J. Mahlon, 1866-1934

**Title:** J. Mahlon Barnes letter to W. Patton Griffiths

**Date:** 1898

**Size:** 0.1 linear feet (1 folder)

**Abstract:** Barnes, John Mahlon; born Lancaster, Pennsylvania, June 22, 1866; held many posts within Cigarmakers International Union; member of Socialist Labor Party and later of Socialist Party; critic and antagonist of Samuel Gompers; director of American Freedom Foundation and business manager of New Day; died Washington, D.C., 1934. Letter dated 1898 contains the following prediction: "Dear Sir: Even as Feudalism vanished before Capitalism, so will Capitalism be vanished by Socialism for humanity and civilization demand it."

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