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Dear Mr Moore,

Thank you very much for your letter of the 17th inst. in which you refer so kindly to my recent release from detention. I am glad to be able to report that although this period of detention was long and tedious, my health was not too badly affected. The medical attention was the best part of the treatment we received.

I want to thank you most sincerely for the efforts you made in an endeavour to secure my release earlier and it is not your fault that your efforts were not successful. As I believe I wrote to you some time earlier, I cannot understand why the Government should be prosecuting me in the way they are doing. Even now I have been released subject to conditions which virtually amount to a kind of 'house arrest'. But I suppose we thus to be thankful for small mercies!

With regard to the matter of a petition to Parliament in connection with the pension privileges of those who resigned from Fort Hare. I should be glad to consider the matter. I would be glad if you would give me some guidance in the matter of the preparation of the petition, etc.

Thanking you again with kind regards

Yours sincerely  
J. K. Matthews