Burlington, Iowa, July 1, 1891.

Prof. W. R. Harper,

Dear Sir:

I have a horror of making myself an annoyance or for a moment deceiving to suspect you on your faults with you. Let me do some of these things. The Boro bleep prosper you. You are doing a good good work.

But your last date No. 11 says, "We shall take action during the months of December." Have you had one here, staying by & taking care & sufferings much, in that I could say nothing for nothing any doing or promised to be done. If we only know that the Board of University of Chicago would
promised to adopt our Institute as a part or department of its at some time, when money, then we could be at rest & announce that at some time again our School would open under the most promising auspices & you should be relieved at any rest.

Besides another Institution is wanting to adopt ours as a branch & by effort we are taking them off for a while & am in danger myself of losing them your wise & one opportunity in that direction while so long existing for what we more desire - an alliance with Chicago University.

Can you properly get any anything definite & encouraging for us here? I know you are busy & occupied with your multitudinous labors. Still, if you can find time I can say anything relieving & hopeful - some if not definite or positive, because indeed like to know.

Sincerely, 

[Signature]
P.S.

Now a word in reference to my very last letter to you before this.

I should have liked to advise you to speak to Mr. J. D. Rockefeller about endowing our school only where if your judgment approved of your doing so. Of course, you will not do it unless in your judgment you think it best—still I should have said this to you.

Also, I should not have forgotten to say that if you were asked to see Rockefeller, not to mention it to him that I had asked you to do it—simply because I had once asked him to do the other, he had declined.

That's all, G. F. P.
Burlington, Iowa, Jan. 27, 1891.

Prof. Harper,
Dear Sir:

An affair of annoyance you by many many letters. But let me confidentially suggest

If you should name it to me that Mr. Rockefeller would be not adverse to his already as munificent gifts, yet another to establish this Institute, & make it self-supporting & sufficient right from its new start? I think he would be pleased with the name we suggest. Though Institute, though we want you to listen & able to understand that we make no conditions as to name, grade, management & quality of the...
Dear Sir,\n
I am pleased to hear that you are attending a good and respectable Baptist Academy. This is a welcome news to all. I only suggest that you should indeed find help and support.

Yours,

G. W. Johnson

P.S. Student is an amusing ship concerning our brother R. L.
G. J. JOHNSON, D. D.,
PASTORAL SUPPLY
OF
First Baptist Church,
MONMOUTH,
ILLINOIS,
BURLINGTON INSTITUTE.

Burlington, Iowa, Feb. 2, 1891.

Prof. W. R. Harper,
Dear Bro.:

...for 26"...it
at hand, requires no
answer is satisfactory, only
it be in two particulars, to wit:

1. That you are willing, if any
other institution can...will put
any money into our Institute,
that we transfer our property
...good will is instead of to the
University of Chicago. Now we do
not wish to accept of any offer
from any other institution. We are
"in love" with Chicago & wish to
marry there & are jealous & totally
opposed to any union elsewhere.
Indeed we do not wish to be in a position where we can perform election
or in which measures elsewhere would be proper. In short, we desire to be able to say to have it understood
by all the world: We are committed to Chicago University. Chicago University
is pledged to us to, sooner or later,
take our Institute into <b>immediate</b> or integral relations to itself, to
revive our School & consider it
forevermore as a Co-operative or auxiliary
Baptist Academy, a feeder for its higher
departments or connections.

"We should be happy to
move at once if we had a more definite
promise from you that
this would (that is, with
time permitted) be done.

I still we accept what you say in closing;

Sincere, faithfully,
L.J. Johnson
Burlington, Iowa
Aug 28, 1892

Thank you, thank you for all kindness & hopeful words for the resurrection of Burlington Institute. Of course, we will wait until after the important Board Meeting to form final plans for February. We are like the corpse that can do nothing else but wait of some which is whose fate whether of burial or resurrection depends upon a power outside itself. Wm. J. Johnson
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This side is for address only.

Prof. W. R. Harper

1212 Chicago

Chamber of Commerce Building

Chicago, Ills.
Burlington, Iowa,
Dec. 14th

My Dear Sir,

Dr. Kerfer.

Thank you—thank you sincerely for any encouragement you can give for the Cause of our Institute here. I write this in reply to yours of 3rd inst. I will act once, as you suggest, write Dr. Stetson & ask a copy of the latest terms of the affiliation proposed with Des Moines College.

But do you not remember that our Institution was the very first one in all the Country to propose & ask affiliation with the University
If Chicago? if now love we got to wait a be dependant upon the coming in of De Grimes College, shall then come in after them if at all? Of course, we shall be glad to come second if it is so to be, but can it make any difference to Chicago University or De Grimes College whether Washington comes first or Distances? But it does make a big difference to us, for we asked to be first리니.
And, still, if we may not sit at the table-the first, table-we will accept the Second, yes, eat the crumbs that fall from the table, if that is necessary, we may eat at all.
Wot we have a meeting
of our Executive Committee
next Monday morning
at 9 o'clock. The Committee
to whom all is referred
with power. Please do
not forget but remember
that we have made a
full formal free tender
of the University of Chicago
See the enclosed marked
- & if you have any
special word that I may
say before our Committee
at their meeting next Monday
morning, write it to me
or tomorrow & it will be here
in time.

Sincerely,

[Signature]
To Whomsoever It May Concern:

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Resolved, That, whatever shall finally be the issue as to the fate of our cherished Institute, we are profoundly grateful to our Heavenly Father that it has ever existed, and for the good name and great usefulness maintained by it through most of the more than thirty-nine years of its history, and the thirty-six years of the uninterrupted continuance of the School—for fully one-half of which period it ranked, in the popular estimate, and, especially, in the estimate of more than two thousand men and women, now scattered over the broad land, who have been educated here, as among the very best, if not the decidedly best, Christian School in the State of Iowa.

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First, that we are not expecting to pay the indebtedness upon the Institute, amounting at present to about $3500., alone from the rentals of our five residence houses; indeed, we are sure that we cannot do this in any early time, inasmuch as, at present, there is so little demand for houses to rent, and they often stand idle for even months and years, and rentals are so low, that very nearly or quite all that can be realized from this source will be required to pay the annual taxes and insurance, and repairs that cannot be neglected and the property preserved; but we are hoping, and have all confidence that we can, at length, sell some outside property, as unimproved lots, or even one of our residence houses, and thereby pay all debts; and

Second, that we are not paying any salary of $750, a year to Dr. Johnson, the President of this Board of Trustees, for his services, notwithstanding that we did, by unanimous vote, at our Annual Meeting over two years ago, when we committed the care of our property and the general administration of our affairs largely to his hands, then authorize him to compensate himself as he might deem necessary and be able to do from the incomes of the Institute; and yet he has thus far, during his administration, drawn from our treasury only $50, in money on account of compensation, and has, several times, meanwhile, publicly announced in our meetings that, if the Institute can be sustained and the School revived and made permanent here in its present location, he would never expect to receive any additional compensation; and this Dr. Johnson reaffirms in our hearing to-day, and also that, if assured that
these conditions will be fulfilled, and his services should still be desired (though anxious as he is to be at once relieved), he would continue to serve the Institute at the same rate for five years to come; and also engages, additionally, that, if $50,000, or more, shall be raised for the Institute and for the rehabilitation of the School, he will himself give $1000, toward the same; but, in case there is a failure to revive the School in its present location, or a transferance is made of the property of the Institute to any other Board or party who shall use the proceeds for any other locality, then he would want, and, we believe, would be justly entitled to receive a compensation of $750, a year for the services he has rendered, and that the same should be paid to him.

Resolved, That, in view of the difficulties that environ us in our present depressed financial condition, and the loss of prestige and reputation that we have suffered through the suspension of our School, and even more largely have suffered through the false representations that have gone abroad concerning our affairs, we declare ourselves as wholly willing and ready, at any moment, to transfer our entire property, good will and name, to any respectable and responsible party who will accept the transfer at our hands and fulfill for us the requirements of our Charter; and we believe that we have fully proven our sincerity in this position in that we have already made a tender of such a transfer to the new University of Chicago, and that upon this one only condition specified.

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Resolved, That a copy of the foregoing Resolutions be sent to Rev. Mr. Gates, Corresponding Secretary of the American Baptist Education Society, as our answer to the Letter sent us and the Proposal made by him.

Attest as true copy, T. W. NEWMAN,
BURLINGTON, IOWA, November 6, 1891.

Secretary of Board of Trustees.
Burlington, Iowa, April 13, 1891.

Prof. W. R. Harper,

My Dear Sir:

I am thankful for your favor of 9th inst., as it shows that you are not annoyed or discouraged by the lengthening out of our correspondence.

You ask what I think as to two good young men, of first-class ability being able to make a fair income if opening up the work without endowment, to which I answer:

Our School has entirely run out being now two years suspended, and still, if they could come early upon the ground to be known as here by their advertising & accomplishing beforehand,
for pupils, I have no doubt, but with a guarantee fund of $1000 to fall back upon, they would succeed in having a good school & fair income the very first year.

Then you ask: Could it soon too, guarantee fund be obtained in Burlington? Yes, I will say this.

If your Board of Trustees will promptly accept our tender of the School Campus & the School property upon it, with library, apparatus & furniture, all worth, we think, at least $40,000, it is free of all encumbrances, taking it on a free lease of 99 or 999 years, with unlimited control of same except to use for support of a respectable Baptist Academy there (as much higher grades as may be wished by your Trustees) - so you may open the School in 1891 or 1892. Our Board by certain outside property we have will pay all debts amounting to about $4000, & guarantee $1000 for supporting School the first year.

Now what say you? My lady, G. J. Johnson
Burlington, Iowa, Nov. 19th 1891

President W.R. Harper,
My Dear Bro. in Christ,

Pardon the inexpressible anxiety for the salvation of this School, that constrained me yet again to ask your attention to our case. As you probably know, while you were recently absent from the country, Dr. Goodspeed kindly brought our case before some of the Trustees of your University — particularly Mr. Blake, the President of the Board, — who decided promptly a necessity against our appeal to be adopted as an adjunct Institution of in those proper lines peculiarized under your auspices, and hence we despaired of ever receiving any help from your direction.
Then we made the same tender of all our interests & effects to the American Baptist Education Society to transfer all our interests to them if they would fulfill the requirements of our charter. They announced that they were willing to accept the trust except to guarantee the removal of the School to this location. Of course, that is the vital point. A thousand people or parties or Societies or College would be willing to accept a donation of $5000 or more or less of property if they might have the option of sending the School here or transferring all our interests elsewhere. Hence their offer was practically declined by the enclosed action of our Board of Trustees.

Now, under these circumstances, we should have despised a raid one more, except that one cherished alumna, a distinguished Missionary
Dr. John E. Clough, writes us not to abandon hope of University of Chicago, for "I have been to Harper and say that he will do something towards the saving of the Institute through its adoption by the University of Chicago before next session."

The time on a gleam of light shining into the darkness of the grave, we open our eyes again to hope and wait a wonder if there will at all get to be a resurrection for us.

What about this? Can you do anything? Do please let us know for I cannot hold on to pleasure hope always.

Pardon me again troubling you, but may the Lord enable you to help us,

Sincerely and Respectfully Yours, E. F. Johnson.
Burlington, Iowa, Feb. 8, 1892

My Dear Sir,

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...and considered.

...speak of it as a question whether this School of ours, Burlington Institute, should go into affiliation with the University of Chicago or with our own State College at Des Moines.

...We should be entirely willing and ready to affiliate with either of these two institutions if either can be of more benefit to the school than it now is. But, remember, that our School is dead. True, we have a history, and we feel that it is a glorious one. We rejoice over it, thank God for it, and keep on trying. That part we cannot. True, we have a valuable property left in our hands, with only a small debt. But unless somebody can give us at least a quarter or more a year, we cannot hope for any more life.

If it of any use, you may offer to affiliate with either School; but they can do something to restore us to life. We should not be content that life until once again become satisfactory. Dr. T. J. Johnson...
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T. W. NEWMAN,
Secretary of Board of Trustees.

BURLINGTON, IOWA, November 6, 1891.
service for the glory of the Divine One and the good of mankind. No small number of those who have been graduated here are already occupying foremost positions in our own and in foreign lands, in the various learned professions of Church and State.

SPECIAL ADVANTAGES.

Burlington is a healthful, growing city of already at least 25,000 population, and is easily accessible from all directions through its several Railways and "the Great River" flowing by its side. Its churches and local schools are equal to the best in this section of our country, and its public library of 6,700 volumes is free to students of this Institute as to all its own citizens. Gas and electric lights, water works, fire department and street railways are also here enjoyed. Horse cars run directly from the Union railway depot to the Institute premises.

The Main Edifice of the Institute, which is a pleasant, commodious, substantial and convenient building, of over forty apartments, is located upon an elevated campus of several acres in the very center of the city and surrounded by ample lawns and shade trees. The entire building has recently been thoroughly renovated at a large expense and put in complete repair. The Institute has also other valuable property immediately adjacent, consisting of five residences that are rented, which, with the main edifice and campus, and several unsold lots, constitute assets of at least $50,000 in cash value. The Corporation is practically free from debt, and through tuition fees and its rentals the School is self-supporting.

The Library of the Institute contains, toward 2,000 volumes, embracing many of the English Classics, three general Cyclopedias, and one of English Literature, together with a large number of other books of reference, histories, travels, biographies &c. It is open for the use of students without expense to them. The Philosophical apparatus is large and varied, including an air pump, electrical machine and telescope.

NOTICE PARTICULARLY.

As far as possible all students should be present on the first day of the session, and be ready to enter at once upon school duties. Students may, however, enter at any time and join the classes for which, in the judgment of the Principal, they are prepared. A record of scholarship and deportment will be kept, and a copy transmitted to parents or guardians from time to time.

On passing satisfactory examination in the work assigned in the course of study, those entitled to the same, will receive from the Board of Trustees Diplomas, under the Seal of the Corporation.

For further particulars address G. J. Johnson, D. D., President of the Board of Trustees; Hon. A. H. Stutsman, Vice President; Hon. T. W. Newman, Secretary of the Board; W. H. Morehouse, Treasurer; or Prof. S. H. Ballard, Principal of the Institute, all at Burlington, Iowa.

ANNOUNCEMENT FOR 1888-9.

BURLINGTON INSTITUTE,
BURLINGTON, IOWA.

The Thirty-Sixth School Year of this Institution of Christian Learning will open for instruction, under direction of

PROF. S. H. BALLARD, A. B., PRINCIPAL,
Assisted by able Associate Teachers.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 1888.

BURETT & COMPANY, BURLINGTON, IOWA.
SESSIONS OF THE YEAR.

The two sessions, each of eighteen weeks, will begin and close as follows:
The First Session begins on Monday, September 17, 1888, and
suspends one week for the Holiday Vacation, and closes on Friday, Feb-
ruary 1, 1889.
The Second Session begins February 4, 1889, and closes with the
end of the School Year and the Anniversary Exercises, Thursday, June
5, 1889.

COURSES OF STUDY.

I. PRIMARY, which will embrace the Rudiments of Read-
ing, Spelling, Arithmetic and the daily study of the English Bible.

II. PREPARATORY, will embrace Advanced Reading,
Spelling, Penmanship, Practical Arithmetic, Grammar, Geography,
and the English Bible.

III. BUSINESS, in which, in addition to such of the stud-
es of the foregoing Preparatory Course as may be desired, Commercial
Law, Stenography, Type-Writing and Book-keeping, will be taught.

IV. NORMAL, in which, in addition to the studies of the
Preparatory Course, the first year will include Physical Geography,
United States History and Botany. The second year, General History,
Algebra, Rhetoric, Punctuation, and Literature.

V. ACADEMIC, embracing, in addition to the Prepara-
tory Course, and to the first year of the Normal Course above, Latin or
German. The second year will be the same as the second year of
Normal Course—excepting Literature, with Latin or German contin-
ued. The third year will include History, Geometry, Latin continued
or French, and Literature.

VI. CLASSICAL, to enter which the studies of the Prepar-
tory Course are necessary. The first year will embrace Ancient
History, Algebra and Latin. The second year, Latin continued,
Greek, Rhetoric, Literature, and Algebra reviewed. The third year,
Latin and Greek continued, and Geometry.

VII. MUSIC, ART, &c., embracing Vocal and Instrumental
Music, and Painting, and in which instruction will be given, (also
in the German and French, and in Commercial Law, Stenography,
Type-Writing and Penmanship,) by competent teachers who make a
specialty of their department.

Particular attention to Composition and Declamation will be
required of all students in the Literary Courses, and special training
in Eloquence and the Art of Public Speaking given.

Special attention is solicited to the fact that this School, while
inviting students of all religious beliefs, and guaranteeing perfect freedom
in these matters to all, and avoiding all distinctive Denomina-
tional or Church teaching, will nevertheless be conducted on positive Christian principles. The School will be opened every morning with
devotional services which all will be expected to attend, and the English
Bible will be daily taught to all students—excepting only such as may
be specially excused.

RATES OF TUITION AND RENTS.

Tuition per session of eighteen weeks. Primary Course $10.00
" " " " Preparatory Course $12.50
" " " " Higher Courses $15.00
For French or German, extra per session $8.00
Vocal Culture and Art of Singing, 20 lessons, 2 per week, extra $12.00
Private Instruction on Piano, Violin or Organ, 20 lessons, 1 per
week, extra $10.00
Extra 2 hours $3.00
Instruction in Art for 30 lessons extra $20.00
For complete course in Stenography, 60 lessons, extra $20.00
For Type-Writing, 20 lessons, extra $5.00
For special instruction in Penmanship, an extra but reasonable
charge will be made.
Room Rent. per term, $3 in a room, each extra $1.00
" " " " $5.00
" " " " $7.00
Rooms, furnished with stove, wash stand, bedstead, springs, mat-
tress, bowl and pitcher and glass cost, additionally to rent,
per term $5.00
Other furniture and all else needed must be provided by the Student.
Fuel, lights and washing can be procured at moderate cost.

EXPENSES, FOR BOARD, ETC.

Young gentlemen can procure board and rooms in private families at
prices varying from $3.75 to $4.50 per week; or, if desired, they
can rent rooms in the neighborhood of the Institute and board them-
sew; or can be furnished with meals at the Institute at $3.00 per
week. Rooms for about thirty young ladies can be had in the Institute
building, where table board is furnished to them also for $3.00 per
week. There is probably no Institution of Learning in our country,
situated amid so large a city, that offers opportunities for acquiring
education at more economical rates than this. Even the Rates of
Tuition, as is seen above, have been largely reduced from those of
previous years, and are now thereby, it is believed, brought within the
reach of many who heretofore have felt themselves excluded on account of
expensiveness.

AIMS OF THE INSTITUTE.

This School being among the oldest in the State of Iowa, having
now already advanced three years upon the second third of a century
in its history, has adopted for its motto, Progress, and proposes,
therefore, a constant progress in all that pertains to a first-class
School of its grade. It is believed that, in the instruction to be given
and in all the appointments of the School for the current year, there
will be no falling behind, but rather an advance made upon the work
of the preceding years.

Already many hundreds of students have received more or less of
education through this Institution, and are thereby, not only largely
benefited in themselves, but are prepared and are now doing better
Burlington, Iowa, Nov. 7th, 1876

Prof. W. R. Harper,

Dear Sir:

This is to inform you, through you, your associate Trustees of the University of Chicago, upon two points. First, that the Board of Trustees of Burlington Institute, through its Executive Committee, to which all has been entrusted with power, has formally voted to tender, as I did in my letter, the leasing of all this property a good will of this school for 99 years to the University of Chicago Board on the simple condition that they accept meanwhile its full exclusive management and control, with liberty to use as they please & custom for a good & reputable school as any
Institutes or Academy. Baptist is its general influence, reputation and feeder to the University of Chicago. Also we suggest as a suitable and eligible name for the Institution Clough Institute. This action was unanimous and heart on the part of our Trustees. This is also College. Second, that already we have been visited & approached by another College during this busy offer from us, it we shall be embarrassed or liable to complications on the acceptance is known by the Trustees of Chicago University & we therefore weigh our early action could be taken.

This is not to push your course into any hasty action, but we shall be relieved this course it can be done.

Respectfully & fraternal,

G.J. Johnson
President of
Burmah Trust of Burlington Institute
Burlington, Iow.
Dec. 20, 1870

Prof. Wm. R. Harper,
My dear Sir & Bro. in Christ,

First

Allow me to expresses my joy & gratitude over our Dr. Rockefeller's magnificent liberality to the New Chicago University. I was sure that he was contemplating some great & good thing, because I wrote him concerning our School here & his doing something for it. From his declining to do then, at least if so, the few words he said prepared me to hear, without surprise, that he had done just what he had.

But something too must in some way by somebody be done for our School here. As busy as you are, I beg a few moments of your time to consider it.
The enclosed paper tells you that this School has been in existence now nearly 40 years, as the school was conducted without interruption. Toward 2000 students in all have been enrolled here of which fifty of our members have gone out to preach the gospel. The Rev. John E. Clough, E.D. of Deluge Mission, was converted while a student here, who later baptized a number and received his entire education here. He is still, with his wife, a member here of the Church and both feel a very great interest in the welfare of the School which was freed one year ago on account of insufficient income for its support. To meet a heavy tax imposed by the city for special street improvements on streets surrounding our property, this School ought to be revived to become a feeder to the new Chicago University, it would at once give it more or fame among the Baptists of the country if the need for such called.
Other propositions have been considered like selling it out for other purposes than as an Institution of learning, and to that we may be driven unless we can endeavor to a College or University that can secure it as a permanent School of respectable grade.

Now you are Chairman of the Committee of Chicago University on the organization of that University, and I trust too will be its first President. Hence I think fully I formally lay this matter before you.

I would be glad to hear from you early as to consistent what prospects you think there might be of soliciting being done such as we propose, and we will shape our course accordingly as there may be done or not done, or what we shall do or the steps we present.

Respectfully and truly,

[I.S. Johnson]
Burlington, Iowa, Jan'y 22, 1891.

My Dear Bro.:

Yours of 19 1st
at hand comes over me much like
a nightmare experience. At least it
excites my fears that after all
there may be a split between the cup
& the lip. For we fail of realization
notwithstanding the elation of
hopes that followed the former letters
from you.

We cannot raise any funds
for the reopening of the School. The
facts simply are: We sustained the
School continuously for 36 years,
during that time have been for longer
& shorter times about 2000 different pupils.
some of these pupils have proven to be
great and useful men, as, Hon. Albert J. B. P.,
or one time Chancellor of the old
University of Chicago, Rev. John E. Clough, D.D.,
the distinguished missionary among
the Indians of India, etc., etc.; we have
a school property here variously
estimated to be worth from $4,000 to
least, to possibly $60,000 or $80,000, on which
there is an encumbrance of only
$4,000; the school suspended in
June 1889 because of this debt, if fees
inflicted by the city as a tax for
improvements on obliterating streets, of
which we could not pay & at
same time meet the remaining
expenses of the school; finally, our
credit is seen as low as, Burlington
& throughout Iowa that even if the
fields were not occupied by Des Moines
College, we could not raise anything,
in the way of contributions, & then have no
man to set or agent who could undertake it.
Burlington, Iowa,

The foregoing are the simple facts of the case. From them you see we are dead, there is no hope that the School will ever revive unless some outside institution—like the University of Chicago or another that they offered to adopt ours as a Preparatory School to itself—will come in and assume the expense of teaching. By the policy of your Board for years any appropriation of its funds, or aiding, becomes responsible to provide them in some manner by appropriating or by raising them. It is not of any use to consider any further. Much as we therefore regret a failure to consummate our adoption.
Now, in this foregoing, I think I have answered at the points of your letter except to say: The number of your pupils, as you have observed, from 80 to 150, if it could be known sufficiently long beforehand that the school would be reopened under right conditions, it should be properly advertised. As Cavendish, I think a school could be opened in 1891 or 1892 with 100 pupils.

The last school was held in 1889 under arrangements set forth in the enclosed announcement.

I do hope your Board can adopt our Institute and find it. Respectfully yours, J.J. Johnson.
Thirty-six years Burlington, Iowa, has been honored of God in putting into the field such a man as Dr. John E. Clough of Belgrade fame. About fifty men who have made your Baptist Ministers do buy a property worth at least, $200,000 above its little debt which we can easily pay off by disposing of some of our outside property or a school as well located as this is in the center of a city of 25,000 population on this great artery of the continent, the Mississippi River. Such a school ought not to die but to be taken in hand by your Board and made its prosperity by a
free lease that we will give you for 99 years, with right to use and enjoy, just as you may see fit—only on one condition to wit: that you please maintain here a good respectable Baptist Academy or as much higher School as you please.

Dr. Scott sends inquiries to know if we could raise $1000 more toward the endowment of the Institute, if the Phi Delta Education Society would appropriate $1000 toward making professors? I know how to answer that this would be more impossible for us to become.

We have nobody to put into the field to do this, a leader agent # 2. The field is being exhausted and worn out by the efforts of Dr. Hughes College to raise its income $1,200. We can only give as a free gift what we have, we hope you will accept our offer. Respectfully & Truly,

Mrs. G.B. Johnson
Burlington, Iowa, April 6, 1891.

Prof. W. R. Harper,

Dear Sir, &c.,

I cannot realize how much delight it is for me to receive you by so many letters, denying denying you on this one point of your acting through the Board of Trustees of the University of Chicago on adopting Burlington Institute as its own. School & henceforth conducting it as a feeder or preliminary preparatory school. If this could be done, the question of our future could be settled. Then we could patiently wait any event of time necessary to best.
But as it is, I am in continual limbo & anxiety. While our Board of Trustees here is unanimous & earnest in the disposition of our School, still the matter has been so long deferred that it is seriously doubted whether there is any hope for us in that direction. We have also too long delayed in the acceptance of a somewhat favorable proposition from another direction that that is now probably lost to us.

Some of our Trustees from a selling out of our property to the city for public school purposes—which we could now do at an advantage not to be had later on—perhaps, in the closing up our history as an Institute.

But the thought of this is most excruciating to me. A school that has done the good that you...
Burlington, Iowa, Jan. 13, 1894.

Dr. W. M. Harper,

Dear Bro.:

I have nothing special to say except to keep our cause & cause before your mind. yours of 6th inst. giving me privately & yet definitely that you contemplate to take hold of our school here at Burlington as one of your affiliated or annexed or branch schools encourages rejoices as that is just what we want that Clough Institute become an organic part of the University of Chicago.

But understand, we dictate no terms or conditions beyond this that you take our Institute property, the building pictured on the enclosed 25th
these were campus situated in almost
exact geographical center of the city. the library, apparatus, furniture—all
free of encumbrance & worth anywhere.
From floor to floor, at least, a respectable Baptist Academy.
We ask nothing more. In all else
you may love the property, the good
name & good will & through the
details all to suit your Board.
Could we ask any less? Could you
ask any more?
But you propose to get an
arrange all this during the month
now setting your letter urge, so to
I need no no more,
Will you come here & see us in
the property? Do let me know beforehand
as long as property is your conclusion to come.
I have to leave soon after February
for Florida, if I do not go to the Holy Land.
So I will hope you will get or something this week.

Truly yours, Geo. Johnson
Burlington, Iowa, Feb. 7th, 1891.

Prof. Wm. R. Harper,

Dear Sir:

The enclosure I have enclosed will fully explain itself.

At the meeting of our Trustees we were enthusiastic. They hail the adoption of our Institute by the University of Chicago as a glorious light ahead to the most successful device the Constitution of the Institute.

Now if your Board concurs by formal vote, according to 3 Resolution, only give us additional, then we should be at rest. But you will do your best for us, as you can, & to leave all with you,

Yours Respectfully & Son

G. J. Johnson, D. D.,
Pastoral Supply
of First Baptist Church,
Monmouth,
Illinois.

Burlington Institute.

BURLINGTON INSTITUTE.
Burlington, Iowa,
April 16, 1892

President W. R. Harper,

Dear Sir & Bro.:  

I have held myself quiet for a long time, because I well knew that your hands were full. I believed that soon as you could, you would remember to do for our Burlington Institute.

Your last letter to me was of date Feb. 9, in which you said you will hear from me again before long.

We have a glorious opportunity through a capable & very efficient man now to revive our School & open new most promising enterprises.

Next September & to pay off all our...
 Debt is a short while—if we could get $1000 more to aid us in sustaining the School one year. But the American Baptist Education Society decides that it is inconsistent for them to aid us. Our last hope therefore of help from all the world is in the encouragement of your letters. If they fail us, then we despair of aid.

Be so kind as to answer if you can consistently pay anything encouraging. But, if not, do not own. I will interpret it, without troubling your father. That you can do nothing, or rejoice that still, that, though you cannot aid us, God is evoking you to do much good things for Christian Education at Chicago,

Respectfully &cordially for, G.G. Johnson
P.S. Remember please that this was the first institution in this country to offer itself to the New University. J. M. in one offer we engaged to turn one to give to you all we have and we asked to be the first one to be received into admission, yet Dr. Ewing College has been received nothing done with us? We are glad you
Dr. W. R. Harper,
Chicago, Ill.,

Dear Sir:

I see by the newspapers that the Burlington Iowa Institute may pass under your control. If you have obtained control of the institution and desire additional teachers I would be pleased to correspond with you with a view to my becoming an applicant for a position.

I am a graduate of Mary College, Springfield, Ill., having received the A.B. degree in 1891 and the A.M. degree in 1894. I attended Mr. Comrick Theological Seminary 3 years and graduated from the same in 1894.
During 1877-8-9 I taught classes in Latin, Greek, German and History in the academy entitled The College of Idaho, located at Caldwell, Idaho.

I have testimonials regarding my work with that institution.

My age is 30.

At present I am preaching in the Presbyterian Church of this city.

I shall await with much interest your reply.

Respectfully,

Ambrose P. Hayden.
Burlington Institute,
In Tentative affiliation with
The University of Chicago.

Burlington, Iowa, Apr. 25, 1901

President W. R. Harper,
The University of Chicago,
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Dr. Harper,

I had a pleasant interview with Mr. Dane, of Davenport, Ia. He seems to be open to the matter of building a room for us and asked me to communicate with him later. He has this work under consideration. If you will bring Mr. C. E. Perkins up to the point of giving $100,000, I will endeavor to erect Dane Hall. It would be a great send off for next year, if we could get a start by June.
We can surely test this matter before many months. I have been asked to consider the presidency of a college in the South. But I am not much inclined to it.

I wish to spend a year in Europe beginning next fall or winter. But I am perfectly willing to stay here provided that we can begin to build. I shall probably be in Chicago next week. The faculty for next year must be arranged from and the calendar printed. Meanwhile, I shall hope to see you.

Yours truly,

J.R. Pentraft.
Dr. William R. Harper,  
Chicago, Ills.  

Dear Dr. Harper:—  

Yours of May 7th was received on my return from the University, and in reply, please let me say that I shall not consider any proposition that may come to me, until we have thoroughly tested matters here. I am making my arrangements to be with the old ship another year, and I hope that we can hear something that will encourage us before a great while. If you think of anything that I might do, that I have not done, please suggest it at any time, and I will be very greatly obliged.  

Sincerely yours,  

[Signature]

May 14, 1901.

Burlington, Iowa.
May 14, 1907

To Dr. William R. Harper,

Chicago, Ill.

Dear Dr. Harper:

You are about to receive an announcement from me, the result of some
university work in which I have been engaged. I have attempted to
make a complete and thorough examination of the sternum in cattle
and sheep. I have attempted to do this by disarticulating the joints
and examining the entire bone. I have found that it is not possible
to do this in cattle but it is possible in sheep. I hope that we can
make use of this information in the future.

If you think of anything that might help me, please let me know,

Sincerely yours,

[Signature]
RECEIVED at UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO.

Dated Burlington, Iowa, 29

To Dr. Wm. R. Harper,

Sixty-five hundred subscribed nine to come great enthusiasm Institute colors and yell blend with Chicago, Council and city pleased.

Pentuff, Greene, Rainey
Burlington, Iowa, Feb. 7, 1901.

Dr. W. A. Harper, Ph. D.,
University of Chicago,

My Dear Dr. Harper:-

Mr. James R. Pentuff,
Burlington Institute, Burlington, Iowa.

My Dear Mr. Pentuff:

This is my second letter to you and I wish to say something to you on educational work, instead of a Bible topic. I have again gone over the programme you suggest and am satisfied with one exception. I do not like the title of the talk at dinner. It seems to me that the day's program will be as follows:

The phrase "The Possibility of Founding a Polytechnic School in Burlington" is a little too much. Don't you think so yourself?

I am ready to give a full day at Burlington and having a good time. I understand that the date has been fixed March sixth and I hope we will be able to carry on some kindred topic. Speak to Mr.-mar's Bible class, if this can be arranged.

DINNER: 6:45 at Hotel with about 15 or 30 men, and speak to them on the "Possibility of Founding a Polytechnic School in Burlington", advantages of having such an Institute, remarks from other gentlemen.

Nine or nine thirty P. M. meet the Executive Committee.

10:25 train leaves for Chicago.

I do not know what your views are, but I am thoroughly convinced that we should have adequate buildings, and an endowment fund of not less than $100,000 within the next twelve months. The people here will respond more liberally to this.
University of Chicago.

My Dear Dr. Harper:-

I think the ladies of the Regent Council, representing about one hundred of the best ladies of Burlington, wish you to say something to them on educational work, instead of a Bible topic. They are becoming very much interested in doing something for education.

The day's program will be about as follows:-

FORENOON: See a few individuals; visit the school; say something to the students; meet the Trustees; outline some policy for the future; tell us what to do and make us do it.

NOON: Luncheon.

AFTERNOON: Talk to the ladies, say on, "What Ladies are Doing for Education," or some kindred topic. Speak to Mr. Marsh's Bible class, if this can be arranged.

DINNER: 5.45 at hotel with about 40 or 50 men, and speak to them on the "Possibility of Founding a Polytechnic School in Burlington", advantages, etc., followed by remarks from other gentlemen.

Nine or nine thirty P. M. meet with the Executive Committee. 

10.25 train leaves for Chicago.

I do not know what your plans are, but I am thoroughly convinced that we should have adequate buildings, and an endowment fund of not less than $100,000.00 within the next twelve months. The people here will respond more liberally to this...
tation than to any other. This would mean
and this is the key-word just now. I know of
the case in the city, who would be with us, if their parents
ought that the school would be permanent. We cannot get
them, so long as we work on a policy which provides from year
to year. This is the chief drawback now. People are already
asking, what are you going to do when the three years are out.
A question which will become more and more embarrassing.

This is the way the whole matter presents itself to me,
and I am confident that those who have given, would not give
again, unless the school can be made permanent, for they fear
that it may die after all.

Let us expect you without fail, on the 19th inst.

Yours truly,

James R. Rentzoff
kind of a proposition plan to any extent. The wants mean
parliamentary and states in the key that you now hold in
admirable to the thing we would do with our time and because
important that the question would be paramount. We cannot set
them to join on a move or a battle until business from your
to begin. This is the only achievement now. I need to make the
statement, want one you would if of your things become any
A description which will become more and more important.
There is the way the whole matter becomes itself to me
and I am confident that from whom have given to give
everything the question can be made better. You can learn
that it may be later will
For me, because you without the, on the third that

Yours truly,
Burlington, Iowa, Feb. 21, 1901.

Dr. W. R. Harper,
Chicago, Ills.

Dear Dr. Harper:--

Yours received this morning. Yes, the possibility of founding a polytechnic institute in Burlington is too large a topic for the dinner speech, and of course we will leave it to you to select your own theme. The program with this exception will be about the same as before mentioned. In regard to the supper however, let me say that it will be served by the ladies of the Regent Council, and will be in the parlors of the Congregational church, instead of at the hotel.

This means of course that ladies and gentlemen will be present all Our plan now, is to have as many of those who subscribed money on the former proposition, to be present on the evening of the 6th of March, but of course the number is not limited to these. The evening will be of a social nature. Perhaps there will be two or three other short talks, but they will be very brief, as we wish you to take all the time you desire.

Some of us are beginning to think that it would be wise to take steps in the near future, to make this a school for young ladies only. There are several reasons for this, financial and otherwise. If we are to remain on the old site and make use of the old building, it would cost less money than a polytechnic school. Of course, we should free the present property from debt, and erect a new dormitory for the young ladies, and raise an endowment fund. This has not been formerly discussed by the trustees. What do you think of this?
Dr. W. L. Harber
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Dr. Harber:

You have received this morning the possibility of conducting a Polytechnic Institute in connection with your company. Your letter of this date is gratefully acknowledged, and of course we will send you a letter later. I have not yet had time to discuss the matter with the Board of Trustees.

The question of an Institute for the training of military officers will be brought before the Board of Trustees, and I am confident that it will be endorsed by the Institute. I believe that the Institute will be of great value to the country, and that it will be of great benefit to the officers. The Trustees of the Institute, of course, will be able to provide the necessary funds. We have been very active in the matter, and we hope to have a large sum of money for the purpose.

The Board of Trustees has decided to proceed with the project on the above proposition, to be presented to the meetings of the Society of Engineers, and we shall be happy to have your remarks and suggestions. We are confident that the Institute will be of great value to the country, and we are looking forward to the time when we can begin to build a school.

Yours truly,

[Signature]
Burlington, Iowa,

We will meet you at the station early on the morning of the 6th, and hope to have a good day. You will hear from me again in the meantime.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]

P.S. Has Rev. Mr. Marsh arranged with you for a Bible Topic in the afternoon, March 30th? I hope that this can be arranged.
We will meet you at the station early on the morning of the
20th. I hope to have a good trip. You will hear from me
shortly in the meantime.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]
Dr. William R. Harper,

President of the University of Chicago,

Chicago, Ills.

Dear Sir:—

Please allow me to submit to you a tabulated statement of our last quarter's financial record, and also an estimate of our income and output during the present school year.

**FALL QUARTER — Sept. 24th, to Dec. 16th, 1900.**

Our Fall Quarter Cash Book stands as follows:

- Income from school revenues and subscriptions, $4183.50
- Total Cash outlay $4203.74
- Overdraft of $20.24

The overdraft was more than covered by money due, and was paid in a few days after the books closed.

- Teacher's salaries and servant hire, paid during the Quarter, $1557.95
- Back accounts, interest etc. $1193.88
- For repairs and household furnishing, heating, lighting, laboratory supplies, groceries & meats, $1442.41

Our income from revenues of the school from Sept. 24th, 1900 to June 20th 1901, will be approximately $7000.00

Available subscriptions from the $5000.00, about $2000.00.

Available subscription from the $3000.00, about $2000.00

Total possible income approximately $11000.00

Our total estimated output for the same time including former deficits and interest on mortgage on the school property, will be approximately $10800.00

Having a possible balance of $300.00
Dear Sir:

Please allow me to submit to you a financial statement of our current budgetary and financial record and also an estimate of our income and output during the present school year.

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The above figures are more than enough to cover the expenses and support for the quarter. The expenses include salaries and rental of buildings, equipment, fuel, supplies, etc. Our income from revenues of the school from Sept. 1930 to June 30th 1931 will be approximately $110,000. Available surplus after the $80,000 spent from the $60,000 will be $60,000. Available surplus after the $30,000 spent from the $30,000 will be $30,000. Total possible income approximately.

Leaving a possible balance of
We will do exceedingly well, if we complete the year without any deficits, and this we must do. Mrs. Charles Wellington Rand can be addressed at No. 255 Mountain Avenue, Montreal, Canada. I am quite sure, as she has three young children, that she would not feel able now to do very much, but she would probably assist in case Mrs. E. D. Rand of Grinnell, Iowa, should take an interest in the matter of building a Rand Memorial Hall. Mr. E. D. Rand made all of his money in Burlington, and has been dead some years. Mr. Charles Wellington Rand studied four years in the school, and at the time of his death last March, was a trustee and very much interested in the new prospects of the school, and was thoroughly in favor of placing the school in touch with the University of Chicago. He was a great favorite with his mother, Mrs. E. D. Rand.

Let us try to reach Mrs. E. D. Rand. Mrs. Charles Wellington Rand can help us along this line. Rev. Mr. R. L. Marsh of this city, could probably help us also. Please write to him, and ask his aid in building up the Institute on a broad basis. He is a broad spirited man, and will help us.

I send a clipping in which you will find the name of Mr. T. W. Barhydt. He is supposed to be worth a million. Has never given much, is rather close, but it is possible to interest him in doing some large thing. He could easily build a house worth $50,000.00. He would do that, as other people here would give largely.

I would be pleased for you to write to Mrs. Charles Starker of this city. We should congratulate her, for she started the $3000.00 with a gift of one fifth the amount. It was really
Dr - Please -

We will go as quickly as we can complete the new without any... and I am not sure what we may do. Whatever we do, Mrs. Charlotte Wellington... can be addressed at No. 70, Mount Pleasant Avenue, Montreal, Canada.

I am quite sure that we do not have a strong critic of that sort who would not feel able to to any more... not make the move and see... not be a proper electric....

Mr. Wellington has studied our lives and seen how some people make... at the time of the death of that man, we are... and very much interested in the new properties of the stock and... make a proposition to the University of Toronto. He was a great student with the master, Mr. E. R. Kendall... Mr. E. R. Kendall... and Mr. Wellington.

The first to reach Mr. E. R. Kendall... Mrs. Wellington... can only be done... We have to try to find out... Please write to him and ask... He is... to publish in the Institute on a broad base. He is in a position of power... and would... I am sure... where you will find the name of Mr. T. W. Bancroft. He is supposed to be worth a million. He want... very much to see him and... He would... No one will expect people to... $500,000.00. He would not expect it... it... I would be pleased for you to write to Mr. Catterall...
Burlington, Iowa,

her voluntary, unsolicited proposition. When we undertake larger things, she will be ready to help us. Would there be any objectionable feature in the leading citizens here, forming a syndicate and buying say fifty or one hundred acres of land, and giving say twenty or twenty-five acres to the school with a view to selling the remainder for building lots?

We will arrange for your visit as soon as I can see a few parties. We would like to have things in some definite shape. If we cannot enter at once upon something large and permanent, please look me out a place where things can be done in that manner. We cannot afford to get any more small subscriptions. People tire of little things. What we need now, is a good start.

Very truly yours,

Jas. A. Pentuff
When we understand your per original, uncollated proposition, it will be ready to help us. Want there be any objection to complete in the law, where actions have, forming a simple and easily understood by the number of land and giving an outline of twenty or twenty-five acres to the school with a view to selling the remainder for public use.

We will write to your agent as soon as I can see a few particulars. We would like to have patience in some details, which may not be clear at once, but some time later, and then we may form an opinion. We cannot give you a place where there can be more than one person in the same time. We cannot allow to rent any more until communication is made. People like or little friends. What we expect is a good answer.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]
Toward the Realization of Dean, Pentuff's

Munificent Project, Has Been Launched —

Hopefully the Next Ones Will Be

Endowed Upon—Success Seems to

Be Growing Assured.

A pleasant meeting of the Burlington

Institute trustees was held last

evening. There was a social hour in

the large and airy music room in the

dormitory, where Dean Pentuff made

the following most encouraging an-

nouncement:

Trustees and Friends of Burlington

Institute attended a very pleasant and

nearly a half of effort in behalf of the

Institute, it is a great pleasure to be

able to make a report amounting for a gift to the

work. Last May we received a gener-

ous offer from Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Stac-

ker, who proposed to give $500 on con-

dition that other friends would add

$1,000. This is making a sum of $2,500.

Very soon a letter came from Rear

Admiral George C. Remy, who studied

here and now resides in New York city,

offering $500, in his own words, being

designed to be used as living endowment,

so to speak, and wishing also to help a Bur-

lington enterprise.

The larger sum came and we save

our attention to canvassing for stu-

dents. In the fall attention was again

directed to this matter. It is quite

true that no one can require a fund, a number of small subscriptions

were secured, and the friends in

and outside of the city, in all amount-

ing to about $2,100 and it seemed that

that those remaining gifts would come.

At the critical moment Col. G. H. Hughes

offered a cheerful note offering $50.

Mr. T. W. McWright of Cincinnati, by offering by a slightly smaller amount

The $750 is the last that could be done.

And at this point the proposition would have failed but for the timely

and generous offer of Mrs. Charles

Wellington Rand, who came to our re-

quest to save the Institute from the

fate of the $500 to the school and to Burlington. I am sure that we are profoundly thankful to all the friends who have given the

substantial assistance.

What has been done for the school

which is most needed?

1. A good faculty has been selected

and the work at last is

2. A large number of students are

coming to us from Hamilton and

vicinity and they are now more

and more this number will increase until it will be a house

of full of boarding students. We are

crowded, and greatly need larger and better

3. Last June the Institute was

attached to the University of Chicago.

This does not mean a supersession

on the part of the University.

J. T. Jellicoe, President of the

Institute. This sum will be used

by June, 1902.

What is the Future of the Institute?

I do not know. We know very little of the

future of anything. We must make

what we can out of the present,

and treat it. Nothing is certain

for the future. The Institute, whatever its institution, is safe in the

hands of its friends, and unless the

order, some step must be taken within the present academic year. I cannot state

what that step will be. Surely it must

be larger than anything that has yet

been done. It is a possible addition

of new buildings and a permanent endowment fund. Anything short of this is utter-

This has been done is a hopeful prophecy of larger things. The Institute is the first mainly of the

twentieth century.
Shirts at 98c
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run about being shipped.

OLINGTON, IOWA.

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VARICOCELE AND AC-
QUARED BLOOD POI-
SON, NERVOUS DISOR-
DERs, CHRONIC DIS-
EASES, BRONCHITIS,
CATARRH AND LUNG
DISEASES....

Investigate my special system of treat-
ome treated scores without success.
The cases of Varicocle, its effects are
left in the body, cases the nervous sys-
tem and other symptoms too numerous to
tie Varicocle.) If you are a victim or
tell you how you can be cured. You
see that comes under my care. Out of
y cure is cured. I absolutely guarantee
-ordered blood Poison is usually called
the ordinary or benign. Symptoms:
swelling, edema, swelling joints,
thickening of hair, etc.

Blood, lungs and stomach are best cured
treatment from the time you
out; with the stopped condition is gone, your

Tubes are treated by the instillation
by opening up the contained tubes.

When you have pain at the site of the
pains, white or yellow spot on the
friend seems to do no good, you have
rash, headaches, joint pain, and

From the use of women, inflammations, ulceration,
varicose, hemorrhoids and all chronic con-
dence deficient cured.

Middle-aged men who are nervous and
easier life at a stand still, you
master it or it will master you. Illness
diseases come under my system of
stress or poison caused. If it is real,
is known, threat and long disease. If
September 2nd, 1901.

Mr. James R. Pentuffs,

Burlington Institute, Burlington, Iowa.

My dear Mr. Pentuffs:

I am in receipt this morning of a letter from Mr. W. E. Blake, the attorney of the Board of Trustees of Burlington Institute, as also of a letter from Mr. Waite, the President of the Board of Trustees. In reply, I would say,

First: That not until your letter was received, last Friday, did I know of any mortgage on the property of the school. I was greatly surprised to learn of this fact. I had been told in an indefinite way of some debts, but that the Trustees had actually mortgaged the property, three years ago, was entirely new to me.

Second: In reference to the suggestion of Mr. Blake, I would say that the University, under no circumstances whatever, could consider, even for a moment, the proposition he makes. The University has no financial dealings of any kind with other institutions. Its dealings are only of an educational char-
September 9th, 1907

To: James R. Penrith

From: Mr. Penrith

I am in receipt of the morning of a letter from Mr. W. L. Blake, the Secretary of the Board of Trustees of the University Institute, as head of the Board of Trustees.

To the Board, I write, the President of the Board of Trustees.

I have not yet received your letter referred to in the above.

I am sorry to hear that you have not yet a hearing of the Board.

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With respect to the matter of the property, three years ago, we were informed

...
The University never invests its funds in school property nor in church property. The funds of the University are trust funds and cannot be invested in anything but income-producing property of the highest character.

Third: I agree with Mr. Blake that, if the property is sold under the judgment, the work of the present year will be seriously injured, and the future prospects of the school blotted out. I regard the situation as absolutely critical. It seems to me that only one thing is left to do: for the Trustees to borrow this money in Burlington, or to secure a contribution of the needed sum. I am willing to contribute my share as a member of the Board of Trustees, to the sum required.

Fourth: If the Trustees cannot meet this difficulty, and if, for lack of three thousand dollars, the school property is sold, conclusive evidence is furnished that there is not strength enough, financial and otherwise, interested in the school to make it a success in the future. I am of the opinion,
because the University never possesses the funds to
reap the benefits of the property or the
income produced by this property. (Consequently
the property is never invested in a
manner which will enhance the value of
the property.)

I regret to inform you that this,
property is so far neglected, the interest of
the Board of Trustees is not being paid. I have
been asked to act as the Board of Trustees,
vice-chairman of the Board of Trustees.
I have been notified of the necessity of
the Board of Trustees meeting in the future.

The University never invests in the
future in the sense of the opinion
that a member of the Board of Trustees
has a duty to perform. I am not of
the opinion
that a member of the Board of Trustees
has a duty to perform.
therefore, that if the school is sold it would be wise for the Trustees to make such adjustment as they can make with the teachers employed, including yourself, and close the school at once.

Fifth: It is a question worthy of consideration whether, after all, with six thousand dollars of debt, as I am informed this morning, it would not be best to let the property go, and rent it from the person to whom it is sold, until new grounds and buildings can be secured.

I regret exceedingly that you have been brought into this difficult position, and I can easily understand that you are greatly embarrassed. I hope the friends in Burlington will show their strength, and that not only the Trustees, but other public-spirited citizens of Burlington, will come to the help of the school at this important moment. It would be a great calamity if an institution that has been conducted for fifty years should die in its semi-centennial year. I remain

Very truly yours,
I learned extremely that you have been
promoted into the Assistant Principal, and I can easily
understand that you are greatly appreciated. I hope
the promotion will show the importance
and what not only the Trustees, but other parents
think of the school at this important moment. It
would be a great calamity if no attention were paid
to very important. I then

I remember

Very truly yours,
REV. G. J. JOHNSON,

Lately,
Special Missionary,
St. Augustine, Florida.

Home Address:
No. 4259 West Belle Place,
St. Louis, Mo.

"Be it ever so humble—
—no place like Home."

June 6, 1899

Mr. Harper, President, etc.,

My Dear Sir & Co.,

I have long wished that I could have seen you for an hour, & it has been that I might talk with you & tell you the truth about the Institution spoken of in your last letter. Three men, I know, Dr. T. W. Hoxie, Mr. Fred S. Bates, & Mr. John D. Rockefeller, yes, & a fourth one, Dr. P. J. Houseworth, & I, I fear, we a fifth one, though about him (that is, yourself) I am not so sure, have all been misinformation as to truth & facts & greatly prejudiced to the injury of this Burlington Institution. This misinformation prejudicing was all done by two other men. I believe you men, but acted by wicked spite.
All this I think I know to be true, but I have no more to say concerning it now, except this: The institution is majestically suffering from this wrong done, & probably suffering unto the death. And still it ought not to be left to die.

Do me the favor to read Exodus & if you can see anything that you can do to help & save the School, I hope you will do it.

May the Lord help you.

I am laid aside, my work is done. I thank the Lord for giving me so long a life & so long time in which to work, for crowning my work with so much of success as He has. Praise be to holy name.

Of course, if you should see fit to write me, would be grateful to hear from you.

The Lord prosper you in all your great work.

Most Sincerely & Fraternally,

[(Signature)]
All Suits for September Term of Court Filed Yesterday.

Rand Estate Forecloses a Mortgage on The Burlington University Property—Other Suits.

The district court will convene one week from next Monday for the September term, and yesterday was the last day of filing suits for trial in the coming term, and several petitions were filed in the county clerk's office. Suits have been filed almost daily for some time, and the docket promises to be a large one.

A suit to foreclose a mortgage on the property of Burlington University was filed yesterday. The title is John M. Fleming, administrator of Carrie A. Rand and John J. Fleming, H. Higgins and Lillian Cora Rand, executors of estate of Charles W. Rand, deceased, vs. Burlington University.

The petition alleges that on August 23, 1898, the defendant executed and delivered to Charles W. Rand a promissory note, in which it was agreed to pay to Mr. Rand $3,000, with interest at 6 per cent. There were several other previsions to the note, and a mortgage on certain university property on West Hill known as College Place. The note is signed Burlington University, by A. E. Stubbs, president, and John M. Mercer, secretary, board of trustees.

The petition further alleges that the note is due and wholly unpaid, together with all interest thereon from date thereof, the amount thereon being $3,595.00, and the plaintiffs ask judgment for that amount with 6 per cent interest thereon from September 10, 1901, and for a decree foreclosing the mortgage.

John Armstrong, through her attorney, has again brought suit against the City of Burlington to assessments made against her for the paving and change of grade on North Third street. She asks judgment against the city and George Kriegshauser, contractor, for $283.20 and interest, and further asks the George Kriegshauser may be enjoined from soliciting or attempting to collect the remainder of said tax on the tax books of the city and county.

John Tricana vs. Alice Tricnas, divers. Desertion and adultery are alleged as grounds for the action.

Sarah Dickett vs. Thomas C. Dickett, divers. Desertion is given as grounds for the action.

B. F. Kuhn vs. J. A. Needles, on note.

Maria Meyer vs. Frederick Kickmann, on note.

Henderson Glass vs. J. M. Brice, on note.

Maggie Fry vs. Meade Crocker. The plaintiff claims $300 wages for services rendered as housekeeper at the rate of $2.50 per month.

John M. Mercer vs. Northwestern Cabinet company. The plaintiff brings suit on a bit of $875 for professional services.
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Burlington, Iowa, Aug. 30, 1901

Dr. William R. Harper,
The University of Chicago

Dear Dr. Harper:

Your letter of the 20 inst. has been received. I note your desire to talk with me about the work here. Possibly I may be able to reach the University one day next week. Our school will open the 9th of Sept.

I send you a clipping from today's Burlington Hawk-Eye.

I have done all in my power to avert this foreclosure. This is likely to effect the attendance and the whole work of the school.

Faithfully yours,

J.R. Rentfuff
As previously announced in The Hawk-Eye, Dr. William R. Harper, president of the University of Chicago, is expected to be in Burlington soon, to confer with the trustees and faculty and friends of the Institute-College with special reference to its future work. There is pending a suggestion of affiliation with the university, making the Burlington institution a preparatory school for the higher curriculum at Chicago. This would be a most desirable achievement, for both the school and for Burlington. It would yield many advantages, some of which are obvious to all and others which will undoubtedly be made manifest upon the occasion of Dr. Harper's visit. Our citizens will be pleased to meet the distinguished educator who unites in himself the rather unusual qualities of a great scholar and a thoroughly practical business man.
cure!

Now contrast the experience of the following citizens of the United States with the Emperor of Germany. Like the Emperor, they failed to find a cure. But, unlike the Emperor, they happened to be plain citizens of the United States, rather than the center of the inner court of the most exclusive and carefully guarded aristocracy of the world. In his position nothing but the remedies that have met the approval of the most fastidious medical orthodoxy could ever reach him. In the position of these American citizens, however, they had access to remedies old and new, tried and untried, approved and disapproved. They of Running Ears by were at perfect liberty to try anything they chose to. They chose to try the remedy that had cured others.

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Burlington, Iowa Dec 6-98

Dr. E. B. Hart

Dear Sir:

With this I send a clipping from the Burlington Free Press in which voices the sentiments of our citizens.

My all also have entered in the battle. How fine that your campaign is the body in the interest of Education would give us a great push forward. It seems to us who are here that the time has come in the future would be an ideal prospective for your career. Could you come soon? We want to be on the ground to see what we have to do.
You can see one possible way. I believe under these circumstances the school can be started. Something must be done outside of the institution. The Illinois Institute, the University of Chicago, and others in the field believe God can do so much through hard work.

I shall be pleased to send from here to have to come to Chicago for mail. I am in our best room. Please advise soon and you will be here. I will make all possible arrangements.

[Signature]

[Name]
My dear Sir,

Your firm of May 22d just at hand, and in reply would say that in my opinion, were the matter properly presented, the citizens of Burlington would cooperate in putting the Burlington Institute on a good footing, provided there was an assurance of permanency in plan of organization. I would be pleased to assist in any way I can towards bringing this about and trust I shall have the pleasure of seeing you face with that end in view.

May 27th, 1891

Very truly yours,

Charles W. Rand.