Carro. Nov. 1, 1894,

Dear Dr. Harper:

After a delightful voyage on the Mediterranean we arrived in Cairo yesterday afternoon and after some searching have succeeded in finding good accommodations at a Pension where Prof. Erman also stopped. I immediatley informed myself as to matters devoted for the Nile voyage and now have all the necessary information. This was a task worse than looking into lodgings in Berlin as we did three years ago in company with Mr. Diddock.

I found a letter from Flin.
here Petrie awaiting one which I enclose to you. Will you kindly read it and mail to my father after reading you will see Petrie hopes to do something for our Museum. He has kindly invited me to spend some time with him at his winter's work. This afternoon I spent sometime with Layce on his own dahabeah which is a little floating palace. We had tea and talked a long time, during which I was able to gain a great deal of practical information.

To-morrow the practical work begins immediately. Beside several hours in the great Museum each
I hope to have lessons in modern Arabic, and work a good deal in my room. I'm getting about the city, my wife, who speaks much better French than I do, has been of great help to me. You would laugh to see us riding the commercial little Donkeys.

I will keep you regularly posted as to my movements. It is not yet decided whether all my work in Cairo should be done now or after the upcoming trip.

I found the letter from Secretary Goodspeed awaiting me here.

Very sincerely yours,

[Signature]
Dear Dr. Harper:

After three profitable
weeks in the Museum at
Cairo (Gizeh) and among the
neighbouring monuments,
we left there yesterday for
this point 230 miles up
the river. Here I have
hired a dahabiyeh, one of the
usual Arabien sailboats,
which can be reached here
at half the price of Cairo
boats. We succeeded in
getting a good dragoman at
the American division in
Cairo. Our complement
is dragoman, cook, cooks,
boy, captain and six sailors.
We sail from here early to-morrow morning proceeding to Assyarn and the first European as rapidly as possible and stopping at all points of interest on the return when the sailing is down stream and wind is not so necessary. At Tell-El-Amarna I hope to make some stay and carefully copy all texts there.

Today I visited and studied the 15th dynasty tombs at this place.

While in Cairo I saw among other collections that of Augusta Corff, an old German land-lord who has been collecting for 30 years. He is tired of it and will sell
Incorporating ideas and suggestions is crucial for the success of any project. It's important to listen and respect the opinions of others. Collaboration and teamwork are key to achieving goals. When faced with challenges, it's important to remain focused and positive. Always be open to feedback and willing to learn from others.

The importance of communication cannot be overstated. Effective communication helps to build trust and understanding. It's important to be clear and concise in our messages.Active listening is also essential. It shows that we value the contributions of others and are committed to understanding their perspectives.

In any endeavor, it's crucial to have a clear vision and set achievable goals. Break down tasks into manageable steps and prioritize them. Stay organized and avoid procrastination. It's important to take care of ourselves, both physically and mentally, to maintain focus and productivity.

In closing, remember that success is a journey, not a destination. Stay resilient, adaptable, and open to new ideas. Never stop learning and growing.
His collection for 2000 marks.
I bought now piece by piece
from the dealers natives it
could not be gotten together
for three times the money.
The old gentleman is not
a dealer. He has no desire to
make any money, indeed
he is continually adding to
the collection from the
mere pleasure in collect-
ing; he bought a small
bronze a day or two ago for
50 Francs. The collection
embraces almost everything
including a beautiful
Coptic carpet for which
he paid 250, and a fine
mummy
with beautiful sarcophages.

Dr. Schmidt says it is not
cheap; also Dr. Rheinhardt.
لا يمكن قراءة النص في الصورة.
Dahabiyeh "Olga" -
Farouk, Egypt

Dear Dr. Carter,

A long succession of very busy days have kept me too employed to think to write you as often as I expected. I am now on my return from the Cataract and have just left Petrie with whom I have had a most profitable time. His excavations I will not speak of now.

He has promised to send the University a full set of the pottery from his present site, and also from his excavations at Coptos last winter. This visit has however further shown me the great opportunity we now have in our hands if we will only take it. May I present it in a series of statements:

1. Petrie is a man of very small means, but out of his own means, he has in ten years made the finest collection in the world.

2. Philadelphia sends him each year from £100 to £150 to aid his
work, and last year alone, out of duplicates from his own collection, he sent them a finer collection of scarabs than that of the great Berlin Museum; and he sends them each year in the same way.

3. An evidence of interest in his work lay in, will bring us equally great advantages with Philadelphia and more because we have a department for this science.

4. Petrie's entire last winter's work in excavating the city of Coptos, to the lowest level cost just $1500.

5. In view of these moderate expenses, Chicago University ought to have a share in Petrie's excavations every winter.

6. This is now especially easy as Petrie has asked me to share a site with him and a proportionate share of the funds to go to our Museum. This he does not do for lack of funds as two anonymous friends in England continually support his work.

7. Besides excavation, a vast amount must be collected by buying. Please note:
8. The number of tourists visiting Egypt has increased from 300 twenty years ago to 2,000 each year. To supply the demand for antiquities the natives are making the country from end to end and in 20 years more it will be impossible to make a collection.

9. These tourists pay enormous prices—not by establishing a business of going out into the country one can buy of the peasants (if he knows a little modern Arabic) for a song. I can buy a scarab of a native for 15 cents for which you pay the dealer 2.3 in Luxor.

10. It is therefore possible to let the native know that you will pay them a trifle more than they can get from the dealer, and they soon come in from all the country round to sell you what they have, you thus intercept the dealer.

11. A comparatively small sum spent in this way every winter for the next ten years would bring to Chicago a large share of the great stream of antiquities which
leave Egypt every year. A Chicago gentleman named Ager spent $2000 with a dealer in Luxor last winter. I think he was buying for the Columbia Museum with the same money I can buy a large collection in one winter. I am trying to find Mr. Ager who is here again this winter to see what I can do for the Museum.

Finally, the result of a few winters of systematic buying as above described would bring to Chicago one of the finest existent collections of the remains from the oldest chapter in human history. If such men as Mr. Ager are willing to spend $2000 with a dealer, how much more will they give when they know how much more can be brought with the same money if properly. Petrie's great collection was made at an annual outlay of from £100 to £750. I am therefore trying to find Ager. If he will give me half of what he expects to spend this
winter I can do him more with it than he can along with the whole, and I hope he will let
we spend the other half for our Museum.

In view of this above it would certainly seem wise that steps be taken to contribute to Mr. Petrie's
work - if not this at the latest next winter. We have now the
opportunity of making the Greatst Oriental Museum in America and one of the greatest in the
world. Of this both Mr. Petrie and Mr. Quibell his assistant
assured me, and they are both
only too sorry that the English
government is so slothful in
the matter. The British Museum
through Bridge! has treated Petrie
very shabbily ever since have now
a great opportunity to turn this
extravagance to our own ad-

Just a word as to how the Chep
conservation is done.
reflect his city, builds his own house of mud bricks at a cost of about one pound, lives on camel stuff and superintends his own work. Never being away a moment, we ate on a dry goods box all the while I was with him. In a few hours the natives began to come in, and they brought a piece of fine bead (18th dynasty), for 5 piastres (25 cents). They would have cost $10 from a Luxor dealer. Living in this way is very cheap. The Quibbel paid out just five shillings a week for their provisions last winter!

Petrie gave me a note which will enable me to study in his private collection in London. I can work with him also on the practical details of excavation whenever I like. I am now on my way to Abydos to do some copying with the famed 'Semitic' pen, and from there to copy the texts of a temple at Abydos, not uninvited by a European. The results will be published in the
"Zeitschrift." Thence I go to Tull herself, where I hope to complete all the texts of the hymn. I have for a book of my own. In Drelis, I already copied a large tomb from the same period as yet uncataloged, so that the Amarna material will complete all the texts of this strange interesting epoch.

I shall be in Cairo again by the first of February. Hoping you have enjoyed a fine and holiday season, I am

Very faithfully Yours,

J. Ross, Density Breasted

P.S.

I expect to leave for Paris and London by Feb. 15. I will leave London before, after receipt of this note, March 15. Letters will reach me in London, can Brown, Shipley & Co.

If there is anything to be done this winter in the Petrie matter, it would be well if I could know it in London.
Dear Mr. Parker —

Last after much hard work and delay I am again in Cairo and have ten Cases of antiquities lying at the Museum ready for shipment. I bought nothing of the dealers, but went into the country myself and bought of the natives. This has been an enormous saving. Back of Alahun I took out to the desert and found a village, teeming with old things and I bought right and left. I finally found a peasant who had in his house two good adult mummies and also of a child and a lot of other things, including two wooden statues of Isis well painted, some good jars, a good funeral box, two wooden pillows, a cheetah and with
the crew! a ship of armed
a bow, many small wooden
creatures, wondrous small art
icles beside. A dealer from the
town came out and threatened
him not to sell it to the "insiders"
and told him what everything
was worth, but I finally
secured the whole thing for
£8, which was remarkably
cheap. The two large mummies
are in good condition, they
are fine added faces. The five cases
were all loaded on three camels
and transported to the river
which I reached at night.
Fall, having had nothing to
eat all day. All was loaded
in my own dahaliyah and
brought down the river 65
miles to Assiut, where I
packed everything in good box
and shipped to Cairo. Below
Assiut I also bought three
more more and all are now safely here. They all (exclusive of flax, cotton &c. for pasting) cost less than $100 -- but it is impossible for me to furnish receipted bills for that amount. The things were lying in mud huts, along dusty roads in crowded oriental markets here & there & everywhere. of several hundred different people each of whom received a few pennies and all of whom were unable to read. The legal signature of illiterate Egypt is a real one of these poor people had any I can therefore only furnish a certificate from (name) of the Museum that the things are worth $100 -- and of course they are worth much more. Indeed if I had $100 to spend here during winter, I could soon make
لا يمكنني قراءة النص العربي الذي يكتب بشكل غير واضح من الصورة المقدمة.
a fine Museum for the University.

I also bought several pounds worth of photographs.

The balance should be spent for casts. But right here I am much in need of your advice and counsel. Mr. Ayer, Pres. of the Columbia Museum, is now in a critical position. They tell me they have brought the entire output of Berlin casts and many more. Also $7000 worth of Egyptian antiquities. Of course I am considering if the University knew this it when I was commissioned to buy casts. Will it pay to try and divert the money. These men to a University Collection? Ayer is unwilling to give largely, will help in a scheme for excavations of our own.
but does not see the use of two oriental Egyptological collections. The Columbia Museum is now so prosperously on its way, that I am sure Ayer will not give a cent for the University collection. So I am puzzled as to my proper course. Ayer will, I think, buy the Ormeil library for me. I am pressing him hard at any rate; he is now willing to buy it for Newberry. But I think we ought to have it at the University.

I find the administration of the antiquities here, by the French, corrupt to the core. Nothing is done in the name of truth or of science, but all is a mere scramble for gold things to sell, the money going into private pockets. The only German official at the Museum
Emil Drueck, brother of the great Drueck, is even worse than the French. Our only hope is to gain in the scramble to get what we can during the next ten years. Of course, with such a spirit prevailing it is impossible to collect any donations to the University. It would be taking too much money out of the interested pockets! It is needless to add that such a state of affairs cannot exist in an oriental country.

My hopes of doing some good work in Baringat Amarna were largely dashed by finding that careless French surveillance had given the peasants opportunity to cut away the most important texts there. However, I spent eight days there and copied all that survive.
I expect to sail for France on Feb. 10, and after going east on the Louvre and the British Museum will lie in Chicago before my leave of absence expires.

If I have not achieved as much in donations to the University as I had hoped, that reason to expect, still I think the very is more pre pared for diverting to America Chicago in particular a large share of the remarkable finds which are to be made in Egypt during the next ten years. I have worked and planned night and day with that end in view and I am sure a fair presentation of the matter in America will bring the necessary funds.

I personally I have gained everything by this.
Trust this personal gain may be of use to the University in my work there. Let me thank you again most sincerely for the assistance which you so kindly secured to me, and which made this trip possible.

I will keep you posted as to my further movements.

Very sincerely yours,

[Signature]

Will you please hand this letter to the Controller as it will explain to him why I have no vouchers for the money drawn on the letter of credit for £100. Dr. Reinhardt of the German Legation stays in just the same way for Germany, and Petrie also for Egypt. Of course I have vouchers for the photographs.
The University, Sept. 18, 1895.

Dear President Harper,

I send you herewith a letter of thanks to be adopted and forwarded by the Trustees in view of the gift to the University, by Mr. Kennard, Mr. Petrie's patron. As Mr. Petrie's discovery has turned out a very remarkable one, do you not think the donation worthy of mention in your report at the convocation? Together with what I got last winter, the whole makes a not unworthy beginning for the Haskell Museum collection,—a beginning which can hardly fail to be of interest to the public.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]

James Henry Breasted
Dear President [Name],

I have been receiving reports of plans to go to Europe.

I sent you a letter in view of the effect of the University's

and University's Board of Regents. An editorial in the evening paper

and a very interesting one, so you may think the situation mighty

or a great responsibility, and to you we refer the remainder of this.

Dependence of the country's constitution & To get the point with

feel, whether it were mine or not entirely dependent for the present

amount collection, a beginning with an annual bill to be of interest

and to the people.

Yours truly,

[Signature]
Dear Mr. Harper:

In case it should be decided Saturday to send me out to see the Merrill collection, I should like to leave Sunday morning. Otherwise, I cannot be back in time to fill my extension appointment here on the following Friday night. If the matter is settled to send me, would you kindly telephone to the bookkeeper here to give me the necessary money Saturday afternoon. He leaves between two and three on Sat.

Very Truly Yours,

[Signature]
Dear Pres. Harper,

I enclose you a copy of the rough invoice of Merrill's collection, with moderate valuations as below. I have numbered and priced each list upon the back, so that you may compare with the following:

No. 1, Iridescent glass, 40 to 50 pieces                      $300.00

  2, Coins,                                               $300.00

  3, Archaeological and other objects,                   $150.00

  4, Seeds, woods, insects &c.,                           $25.00

  5, Models & plaster casts, worth little or nothing.   

  6, Miscellaneous objects, (modern life),              $75.00

                                     $850.00

Allowing Merrill 25 per cent for collecting, and the freight to America, his price ($1000.00) is reasonable. May not the matter be soon settled?

Very truly yours,

[Signature]

PS. As far as I know, nothing is being done on the furniture of Haskell. There will be little chance of getting in there by the first of April if it is not attended to this week.
Dear Mr. E. C.

I enclose you and copy of the honorarium of W. P. E. $500.

You will receive a check for $500.00 on cover of the following:

- $200.00 for lecture fee
- $100.00 for travel expenses
- $100.00 for refreshments
- $100.00 miscellaneous expenses

Total: $500.00

Please reply to confirm receipt of the honorarium.

Yours truly,

[Signature]

May 12, 2008.

As far as I know, nothing to report your on the committee of arrangements.

I must to live away or get passed to pass on the list of your.

If not to be reported to this week.
The University of Chicago.

March 12, 1896.

Dear Pres. Harper,

May I call your attention to the fact that $640, Abu Khalil's present price for his glass, is very cheap and never can be had as reasonably again. He asks for three years tuition ($360) in addition, but of course, this is no added expense to the university; the real cash cost being $640. We need casts more, to be sure, but the advantageous terms would seem a real inducement.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]
Dear President Blake,

May I call your attention to the fact that you have not yet paid the present July 1st for the rent of the house which you have been using for the past years (200). The reason is that we have not heard from you. It is not our custom to charge more than the amount agreed upon.

We would send a copy of the rent receipt.

Yours sincerely,

[Signature]
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Harper
Chicago University, Chicago
Yes your letter delayed
Breasted
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Dear Pres. Harper:

The accompanying two letters require your O K and should be mailed without delay; they will explain themselves; the one to Dunton is in order to obtain some landscapes of Palestine and Syria in time for the June number of the BW.

If not already done, a note should be sent to Peters or Hilprecht requesting the courtesy of some landscape photographs of Mesopotamia if they have them, as they are not to be had of dealers.

The total cost of the photographs from Bonfils will be about $80 or $85.

I find I can do very little toward making an order for casts. Still I know how much is available. I will send you the order as soon as I can get any statement from Mr. Rust.

Very Truly yours,

[Signature]
April 10, 1939

Dear Mr. Person:

I have just received two letters today from X and Y, respectively.

The correspondence has been extremely interesting, and I am looking forward to corresponding further.

I am writing to express my agreement with the points raised in both letters. The one to X is particularly well written, and I am looking forward to reading it in detail.

In order to expedite some landforms of the country, we will have to take

for the good welfare of the

If not already done, a note should be sent to P. E. T. of Wilropen

redesigning the country at some faster pace than was previously anticipated.

If they have plans, they are not to be held at Genera.

The total cost of the improvements from Potties will be great.

Yours sincerely,

[Signature]
May 15, 1896

Dear Mrs. Harper:

The installation of the collections in Nelson is only waiting the arrival of the cases, and will begin as soon as they are here. Some have come already but are incomplete. Think the installation can begin tomorrow.

Very truly yours,

Jane Nancy Breasted

P.S. I shall have a system of administration and rules ready to present tomorrow.
Dear Prof. Harper:

I enclose a tentative list of guests for the dinner given the orientalists in Westerkil. The question of the Divinity Faculty needs deciding; I have included the Dean, and Burke, and Mathews.

From the Trustees, only the President is included. Each Seminarian (except the Episc) in the vicinity is represented by one or two guests. Besides the oriental specialists who are our guests, I have included Mr. Andrews, Mr. Hyde, and Fr. Ladd.

We should like to get your alterations and sanction as soon as possible.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]

P.S. Do you wish some toasts?

Shall I get up an oriental Menu Card as one did on leaving Yale?
Dear President Harper:

I have been delayed as I will explain below, in replying to your recent suggestions regarding Haskell. May I present the following regarding the points brought up.

1. Regarding the catalogue; Nothing has as yet been done in actual cataloging. I have been trying to get some labels ready and hope to have everything labelled soon. The form of catalogue will be that of the enclosed card of which 2000 have been printed. About further cataloging I should like to talk with you as soon as possible.

2. Regarding orders for museum material not yet filled or received; there are none but Petrie's photographs which you desired me to order, and the material from his last winter's excavations, which has not yet come in.

3. What should be the next step in purchasing material for Haskell?

I should say the raising of money for we are receiving notice of material from all quarters.

4. Regarding photographs and wall pieces. The Palestinian photographs have arrived, with panoramas of Jerusalem, Athens &c; there are over 900 in all. Many of these should be framed and mounted, but I am awaiting the selection by the curator of the Biblical Museum, who is ill. But if you desire I can use my own judgement in the matter.

5. Regarding the question of increasing our material without the expenditure of money.

a. This reply was delayed by an invitation from Mrs. Wilmarth to come
I have been fortunate to have enjoyed a successful career in the field of education. I have had the opportunity to work with some of the finest educators and leaders in the country. I am grateful for the experience and the lessons I have learned along the way.

I am writing to express my interest in the position of [Job Title] at [Organization]. I believe my background and experience make me a strong candidate for this role. I have [list of qualifications and experience].

I am available for an interview at your earliest convenience. I look forward to the opportunity to discuss my qualifications further.

Sincerely,
[Your Name]
not to Geneva and discuss the Woman’s Club fund. This I did, returning Saturday night last. The matter seems to be in good shape; the ladies may not raise all of the $2500, which I asked for, but they have adopted this undertaking as their winter’s work and there is no doubt but what it will result in a good sum for our museum. It is distinctly understood that all material thus acquired will go to Haskell.

b. The president of the Kenwood centre has suggested to me, that the proceeds of my course there this winter, be devoted by them to the Haskell fund. He has little doubt of inducing his executive committee to adopt this plan. This will bring in something, I am sure.

c. With the help of the University carpenter, it will be possible to make a number of very good models, like those of obelisks &c., which Mr. Serailian will color. The expense will be trifling.

6. Our attempts at securing loan collections have not been very successful, e.g. from Mr. Gunther. I presume much can be done however.

7. Regarding the material left by Mr. Ryerson; it includes:

   6 old East Indian paintings, in the original frames;

   1 Tanti or Pali manuscript.

Mr. Ryerson did not state, whether these were to be a gift or a loan but I suppose in either case, thanks from the trustees are in order.

8. There are no other gifts or loans requiring acknowledgement.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]
Dear Mr. Harper,

I have replied to this letter stating as you decided that S. M. was willing to give six pages to the T. E. F. which is the usual space now given it in Biblia. Further that P. W. would illustrate also, with photographs of the excavations which they would send us. This would be a valuable interesting feature and attract subscribers.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]

[Date] 7/7/97
Dr. W. R. Harper, President,

Dear Sir,

I am humbly accepting a nomination on our General Committee by letter of Dec. 28, you raise the question of the Biblical Notes becoming the organ of the Fund here. In reply I am very grateful for the suggestion and consider the B.W. admirably adapted to this purpose, but for some years the little Biblia has so acted and has printed any subscription received, lists of publications, etc. and a B.W. do this sort of work? I beg to hear from you more definitely as to details,
and any suggestion will be carefully considered with a view solely to the general good.

I wish to acknowledge gratefully the help already rendered by you in monthly in giving accounts of our work.

Awaiting reply at convenience, I am,

Sincerely yours,

J. F. Wright.
Dear President Harper:

(1) I have just received the enclosed letter from Dr. Wright regarding the use of the P.W. by the P.E. F.

(2) On thinking over the California trip, I think you are right, and will hold on until the autumn quarter.

(3) I have just received another assessment from the Council of Senates. I am much interested in its work. I had a course of Sunday lectures during the entire first winter of its existence, but I do not see how I can longer afford the annual ten dollars. Trusting that you will not attribute this resignation to any lack of interest, I am-

Very sincerely yours,

[Signature]
March 18, 1897.

Dear President Harper:—

I enclose memoranda relative for my proposed trip to California:—

1) Dates: Any time from Sat. Nov. 6 to Mon. Dec. 27.

2) Courses: Six lectures on "Egyptian History and Civilization."

Six lectures on "The History of Egyptian Art."

A separate lecture on "Egypt and Israel."

All the above are illustrated with photographs.

3) Terms: May I leave this to your judgment, adding that I should not want to undertake so expensive a trip without being assured of at least $300 from the lectures as a whole.

Very sincerely yours,

[Signature]

P.S. Inclosed $100 — a course from the extension dept.
March 17, 1897.

Dear Dr. Harper:

I will prepare the article on Egyptian History as desired for the June number of the Biblical World. But it will be impossible to have the copy ready by April 15th. I will get it in on time, however.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]

[Signature]
The Thomas Museum Lectureship.

The Eleventh Series of Lectures on this Foundation will begin November 4th, and continue as announced on the next page.

Professor Breasted is at the head of the department of Egyptology in the University of Chicago. He has his facts at first hand. During his residence in the Nile Valley, he familiarized himself with the languages of ancient Egypt, made excavations at various sites, and gave much attention to forming the collection of antiquities which now fills the Museum at the University of Chicago.

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Monday, November 8th.
The Middle Empire; Social Life in the Time of Abraham; Recent Discoveries in the Dashur Pyramids; First Foreign Conquests; Semitic Visitors in Egypt.

IV.
Tuesday, November 9th.
The New Empire; the Rise of Thebes; the Conquerors of Asia; the First World Empire; the World's First Reformer; the Possible Date of the Exodus; the Final Fall of the Native Pharaohs.

V.
Thursday, November 11th.
Egyptian Art—its Lesson and its Legacy to Later Nations; the Masterpieces in the Great Museums; a Tour Among the Temples of the Nile; the Industrial Arts.

The Lectures will be given in the College Chapel on the evenings named, beginning at 8:15 promptly. You are cordially invited.
RICHMOND COLLEGE,

VIRGINIA.

THE THOMAS MUSEUM LECTURE ENDOWMENT.

ELEVENTH COURSE.

NOVEMBER, 1897.

LECTURER:

JAMES HENRY BREASTED, Ph. D.,
HEAD PROFESSOR OF EGYPTOLOGY IN
CHICAGO UNIVERSITY.

THEME:

"THE HISTORY, ART, AND MONUMENTAL SURVIVALS
OF ANCIENT EGYPT."
HOTEL CHAMBERLIN,
OLD POINT COMFORT,
FORT MONROE, Oct 30 1897

Dear President Harper,

The ladies of my Committee announce that it will be necessary to change again the proposed date for the reception of the Egyptian Soe, and they now propose Friday evening, Nov. 26th. If this suits your convenience, please note the evening, and at the earliest moment please mail the enclosed card.

Yours sincerely,

[Signature]

Henry Stokely
Nov. 15, 1897.

Dear President Harper,

I enclose herewith for your approval the two bills of which I spoke:

- Transparencies from Petrie: £ 1 - 11-
- Water Color Paintings: $ 40.00

Very truly yours,

[Signature]

Mr. Henry Brooks
Nov. 23, 1897

Dear Mr. Harper,

Enclosed is your bill for the lease replacing one stolen from Hackell. I have made the desired statement on the bill.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]
Dear President Harper:

May I urge the following in importance of the following museum matters:

1. The second half of the weight collection is here, not yet unpacked;

2. The Art Institute cases must be returned on May 1st;

3. If an order for new cases for the weight collection is given now, there will be only barely time to complete them before surrendering the Art Institute Cases.

4. The other material is suffering daily from its exposed position.

In view of the above facts may I urge your consent to the
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purchase of these absolutely neces-
sary calls.

We have collected $1,000 for

good work this season; a few
months will see the new ma-
terial also here. It is imperative

that the old should be installed

in good order before the new
arrives.

Very truly yours,

James Ring, Ph.D.

Cuppy Vic
The President of Chicago

[Handwritten text not legible]
March 8, 1898.

Dear President Harper:

The work which I should like to do is threefold as indicated in the series of courses 1, 2, and 3 (see enclosed accompanying prospectus):

1. Egyptian History, Archaeology, etc.
2. Language
3. Semitic (preferably Arabic)

In connection with this series, I hope to finish the historical corpus before the close of '98, to complete the Museum collections, and under them a visualization of the courses in this series, as well as an embodiment of the life of the past, with which I expect to make the senior college and the divinity men familiar (see courses); thus giving full consideration to material and to students.
Series 2 (Egyptian Language)

Designed progressively for the purpose of showing the historical development of Language and Literature.

Series 3 (Arabic Language)

As I cannot always depend upon having students in Series 2, I would like to offer Arabic, to which both ancient and modern I have given many years of work. There has been in Europe a distinct connection from Assyrian to Arabic, and Barth who is now doing so much for the Comparative Grammar is doing it from the Arabic point of view. It seems to me our graduate men should be required to give more time to it than they are giving at present; indeed, it has been distinctly neglected by them during the past two years. For the degree they ought surely to have three com-
active quarters of Arabic. Of these, if given to me, the first would be
devoted to very easy narrative prose,
with etymology, the second to a close
study of syntax on the basis of
easy prose, the third to a study of
history or Quran with Commentary.

However, when without students
in series 2 and 3, I am
able to give correspondingly more
time to the Museum.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]

[Name]
The University of Chicago

Dear Sir,

I am writing to express my deep disappointment with the recent actions taken by the university administration. The decision to cut funding for the department of philosophy has caused considerable harm to the academic community and has seriously undermined the institution's reputation for excellence.

I urge you to reconsider this decision and find a way to support the department adequately. The expertise and contributions of our faculty are of utmost importance to the university's long-term success.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

[Date]
The University of Chicago.

May 2, 1898.

Dear President Harper,

Enclosed herewith are the vouchers for my expenses in announcing Dr. Bliss's lecture.

I was unable to get the printing done by the University Press on such short notice.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]

James A. Bradwy
June 16, 1896.

Dear Dr. Harper:

May I call your attention to the two following museum matters:

1. The labor of installing properly the great weight collection is very large. I was obliged to call in Schmidt for some assistance and I enclose his bill for your approval.

2. The weights are in the cases but much remains to be done for which I need assistance. Using Schmidt probably $500 or $100 will arrange them. Shall I go on?

Very truly yours,

James H. Breasted
July 18, 1898,

Dear Mr. Harper:

Will you kindly sign the enclosed library cards of the first one? I have charged only half against Egyptology for it contains as much as it does Egypt, and is as indispensable to the one as the other. I hope you can approve.

Very Truly Yours,

James Henry Breasted
The University of Chicago.

Sept. 2, 1898.

Dear Mr. Parker,

In accordance with your request, I have appended in writing a statement regarding my proposed trip to Europe on account of my book.

1. The Book

As you are aware, I am at work upon a book which is to contain a chronological arrangement of all the historical inscriptions of Egypt, put together for the first time, and critically translated into English. It is to be accompanied by an exhaustive glossary and index. The historical sources of Egypt can thus be put between two covers, and the scholar and historian can refer to them in an instant, a thing heretofore impossible.

I have been at work on the book for 18 months, and the MS. is already considerable, but many texts published...
early in this century are now out of print and cannot be had in America. Many texts of which I have publications are so inaccurately copied, that it is absolutely necessary to collate the originals. I therefore desire to make

2. A Trip to Europe.

I should visit all the great libraries and thus supply the missing publications, taking photographs of all needed published texts. In the Museums of Berlin, Turin, Rome, Florence, Naples, Leyden, Paris and London, I would copy or photograph all the historical texts needing correction and collation. This has never been done and would make my work the most complete yet attempted.

In order to do this, at least nine months probably a year's absence would be necessary, an absence for which I think I may justly ask, in view of the following considerations:

The yearly admissions to Haskell arrive
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June from Egypt in October. In order to keep alive the interest of subscribers, it is necessary to unpack and install and label them as soon as possible for the inspection of our contributing friends. This work consumes the autumn quarter, during which I am supposed to be taking my vacation. Including the autumn quarter of 1898 I shall have spent four such quarters in such work, bringing the University Collections worth many thousands of dollars, usually at only the cost of the freight to the University, e.g., the collection of over 2000 ancient oriental weights, worth $15,000. Neither has the museum work been at all confined to the vacation quarters, but has required much time and care during the teaching quarters, when I was doing full instructor’s work.

Therefore ask that the four vacation quarters spent on the museum be considered the basis for granting me three quarters leave of absence, for the completion of the contemplated work in Europe. On Oct. 1, 1899, I should then be entitled to one quarter in addition to the three granted, making a total of four quarters dating from Oct. 1, 1899.
I would add that in granting this request the University is rather aiding in a scientific enterprise as it seems to me, than granting a concession to me personally, for the work when published will not bring me a penny, but on the contrary, will have cost all the time and money, Dean Command.

As early a decision on the matter as you find possible, will be much appreciated. Very truly yours,

[Signature]

The University of Chicago.
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Dear Dr. Harper:

I send you again Prof. Kelso's letter desiring an official decision on the length of time required for his Ph. D. in Economics. He has had:

1. Three years in Cambridge;
2. Three semesters in Berlin;
3. One summer quarter here at U. of C.

He is an able man and will honor our degree. Very truly yours,

Allen H. Bragdon
Dr. Kelso has been waiting over a month for a reply, it would be well to hasten the answer if possible.
Dec. 9, 1898

Dear Mr. Harper:

The present status of our relations with the Chicago Geographical Society could not be deferred longer. On the 10th of last month, Dr. Hirsch had promised a liberal subscription from his friends and had voluntarily pledged himself to hand it to me before Jan. 1, 1898. I depended on the Hirsch subscription to
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Need to Petrie's Research Account. After repeated requests this subscription has failed to come and I am unable to do anything for Petrie, a pre-emptance which need not and will not occur again, for our Society is I think now able to care for both the Exploration Fund and Petrie's Research Account. But meantime this predicament ought to be relieved by a $250.00 subscription to Petrie.
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I can only add that the future progress of the Museum urgently demands this, and
must keep in touch.

Very truly yours,

Alice K. Breasted
Jan. 13, 1899

Dear Price:

The following are the titles which should be added to our list of journals:


Very truly yours,

[Signature]

[Handwritten note: "Read"]
The University of Chicago.

Sept. 3, 1898.

Mr. Harper:

I would offer the following
rough plan for a course of ten addresses
on Israel and the surrounding peoples.

I. Israeli World.

This should include a complete
picture of the world, political, industrial,
natural, social, religious, upon which Israel
looked out during the successive per
riods of her career— including Egypt, Bab-
ylon, the Hittites, the Western Tributes, Assyria.

II. The Influence of this World upon the
Mind, Ideals, Religion, and Institutions of Israel,
How this surrounding world of men &
things wrought upon Israel to modify
or influence her higher life. The Providence
of External Influence in the develop-
ment of Israeli Highest Life.

I have not yet thought out the sub-
Am I right in thinking that the method presented is a generalization of the particular case? It is usual to start with a specific case and then look for the general solution. If this is true, then the method you have described, starting with a general form and then considering a particular case, is also valid. However, I am not sure if this is the case. Can you provide more information on this topic?
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Tadeo in detail, but I think the two main heads offer a basis for a treatment both new and useful.

As to the practical partition of the subject I would suggest that I be first completed and presented before II be taken up. When Israel's work has been fully presented, then we would be ready to take its influence upon her. Let each one of our nations, himself at Jerusalem and from there, describe one of the peoples enumerated (16:5) until I is complete; and then follow with II in the same way.

I enclose also a statement regarding my request for leave of absence next year. Can you kindly give me a decision in the matter at your earliest convenience.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]
March 11, 1899

Dear Mr. Parker:

Can you kindly give me information on the following points:

1. Has Rabbi Hirsch replied regarding Pete’s subscription? If not, I must now write Pete that we can do nothing for him.

2. Can you give me a list of Willet’s English Bible Courses for the summer announcement of the Dept. of Literature in English?

Very Truly Yours,

[Signature]
a little oriental world for our Old Testament and Semitic studies to be in.

Now if I am to go to Egypt Oct 1st next, I cannot afford either the time or the money to go to America to remain from July 1st to Sept 1st and then return to Egypt. It would increase my expenses unnecessarily by at least $700, and involve a serious loss of time when I am training every nerve to finish my Historical Texts now about half completed. Therefore ask the adoption of the following plan:

1. The extension of my leave of absence from July 1st to Oct 1st, involving:
   (a) The continuance of my salary during the extension at the present rate ($1600).

Dear Mr. Harper,

I have received a letter from Egypt this week advising that Prof. Lauge of the University of Copenhagen, member of the Commission, is obliged to retire, as his leave of absence expires at the end of the autumn (Oct. 1900). He will hand in his resignation on July 15th next and nominate me as his successor. Dr. Schagii (who is also assistant director of the Royal Museum here) is a good friend of mine. He and the members of the Com...
mission will support the nomination, which is acted upon by Sir William Gait in, the English Secretary of State. Concerning his attitude another friend writes me: "Sir William Gaitin has promised me (and given me permission to inform you of that promise) that you shall be Lange's successor." Prof. Eisman, who is very much interested in the matter, told me to write you that the matter was no certain as anything unofficial could possibly be. I can obtain no official papers however until the 15th of Aug. or 1st of Sept. The appointment would be for two years, from Oct. 1900 till Oct. 1902.

I need hardly enumerate to you the advantages of such an appointment to Haskell, to the University, and to me personally. Dr. Reade, Dr. Sorcher (scientist Albrech of the German legation in Cairo) and myself would make the voyage of the upper Nile next winter, the first scientific expedition into Nubia, since the English measured the Sudan. For a small sum I could secure a great deal of material for Haskell. I should have two years leave in the summer, which I would spend in Palestine (both years) and could make a complete collection for the modern life at a very small outlay. My official position in Egypt would give me continual opportunity to enrich Haskell at comparatively small expense to the University. I have great plans for Haskell of which I must write you later, and two years in the East will fill it to overflowing, and make it
on Oct. 1st 1900, involving:
(a) Announcement of my course in the autumn被告人(to be cancelled if I am called to Egypt).
(b) No forfeiture on my part of any prospective increase of salary for 1900-01, of which you speak in our previous correspondence.
(c) Equivalent service from me for the extra time granted to be arranged later.

I think the above plan covers all points, and am working on an extremely small margin financially. I hope you may be able to send me a decision very soon on the main points.

The contingency which may now prevent my call is the loss of English supremacy in Egypt due to their disasters in South Africa. If everything continues in Egypt undisturbed, there no doubt the call will come. I will ask you to please keep this matter in strict confidence between us, as such was the condition on which Sir John Garnet allowed his promise to lie with to me.

The work goes on very well and I am in great hope of completing the Historical Texts by autumn. It is a tremendous undertaking and I feel like a very diminutive Atlas under it. Ermash takes the greatest interest in it and gives me every possible aid and encouragement.

Crambush has just arrived here from a trip through Egypt, Palestine and Greece. He will
(a) The crediting of salary as continued, as below indicated.
(b) The extra quarter granted to be met, up to later.
(c) The University grants me two years leave of absence from Oct. 1st 1900, contingent upon my call to Egypt involving:
   (a) A salary of $500.00 a year for my services to the University in the Orient.
   (b) The crediting of salary paid for summer quarter of 1900 ($400.00) on the $500.00 salary of the first year in the last that year to begin Oct. 1st, 1900.
   (c) The appropriation by the University of $1100.00 annually for two years, to be used by me in purchasing accessions to遗址 (the amount being the balance being the difference between my present salary and the proposed salary in the last, thus not increasing the budget.)

3. In case I am not called to Egypt I return to duty in the University.
June 21, 1899.

Mr. W. R. Harper
The University

Dear Mr. Harper:

May I call your attention to the following Museum matters requiring immediate adjustment:

1. Five cases of Egyptian antiquities have arrived and should be opened and set up.

2. In justice to the Chicago Society of Egyptian Research, who have donated these things as well as in justice to the University, I can not conscientiously open the cases without the present janitor's assistance, nor can I (in the absence of cases) expose them to his daily and unfaithfulness to duty in closing doors, windows, etc. whenever after they are set up. It is safe to say that if the Society knew of the risks to which their donations are exposed
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they would vote to donate them elsewhere.

The junior question should be arranged
immediately in view of my coming absence,
so that the new man can be properly in-
structed before I leave.

4. Arrangements should be made at the earliest
moment for the custodianship of the Museum
during my absence; the charge of keys, re-
ception of accessions, their registration, in-
stallment &c.

5. I would suggest that inquiry be made
at the Art Institute and Field Museum for
a capable junior, accustomed to Museum
work. I have used Field Museum men
for days at a time & know that very good
& careful men can be had at junior's
wages.

Very truly yours,

James N. Brested

P.S. As I would like during vacation to prepare the
Museum finally for leaving kindly let me know what is your
plan as soon as possible.
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My dear Pres. Harper:—

After an unusually smooth and pleasant voyage, we are nearing Hamburg, just as the Harper-Piddock party did eight years ago this month. How much has happened to us both in those eight years! I hope the next eight years may bring to you and to the university as much as the last.

Regarding my report on the museum, I will try to send it in during the first week in Berlin.

There is another matter of which I intended to speak to you before I left, but finally forgot it. Mr. Tripp, the President of the Color-Photo Co. is ardently desirous of forming or organizing a great lecture institute or People's University embracing all subjects, the material for which is at all objective or capable of graphic presentation, such presentation to be made of course by means of color photographs thrown upon the curtain. The color photographs from Egypt are the most magnificent things I ever saw, and suggest the great possibilities open to the plan. Geo. Adam Smith saw them and was enthusiastic for their use in Palestine and Arabia. Mr. Tripp has the money to begin the enterprise and is determined to put it through on a large scale. I wish I could give you an outline of the plan as I have it now drawn up.

The particular point of which I wish to speak in this connection is this. Mr. Tripp desires me to undertake the management of the enterprise, which I have consented to do, believing that it will accomplish a great work for education. It will not in any way interfere with my university work. Announcements of the project will appear doubtless before the end of the year. During my absence Dr. Buckley is to edit the lectures.

Wishing we might again land in Hamburg together as we did eight years ago, I am

Very sincerely yours

[Signature]
After the University course and pleasant secrecy...

My great pleasure tonight -

Wishing you a successful and enjoyable evening. Very sincerely yours,

[Signature]