Mr. Secretary:

I have the honor to submit the following statement:

"Mr. Secretary: The committee to prepare a report on the proposed legislation to prohibit the manufacture of certain devices for the purpose of influencing the outcome of elections has requested your assistance. Please be so good as to furnish me with the latest information on this subject."

Yours truly,

(W. G. Smith)

Chairman of the Committee on Elections.
difficulties.

In accordance with the suggestions made by Mr. Judson, I now present in detail our plans. On Saturday evening March 14th a dinner will be given by the Faculty and Alumni of the University at which perhaps five or six hundred persons will be present, ladies and gentlemen. It is our desire that Madame Jusserand and yourself will consent to honor us with your presence on this occasion, and further, that you will be willing to respond to a toast in a short speech. We shall be glad to arrange such a subject as you may yourself prefer. The company will be made up wholly of officers of the University and alumni.

We will arrange for your entertainment at the residence of one of the friends of our University. Several of our gentlemen have asked for the privilege of entertaining you, among others Mr. Cyrus McCormick and Mr. James D. Deering.

On Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 the exercises of the Convocation will take place, and at this time the degree will be conferred. It will be possible for us to take the limited train at 5:30 which reaches New York City at 6:30 Wednesday evening. I trust that I may have the pleasure of accompanying you on this journey. There will be several social events between Saturday night and Tuesday afternoon, of which I will write you in detail. The friends of
M. Cambon are very desirous of extending to you the courtesies of the city.

Sincerely hoping that these arrangements may prove satisfactory to you, and that it may be possible for Madam Jusserand to accompany you on this visit, I remain

Cordially yours,

W. R. Harper
M. Campion are very grateful of expressing to you the congratulations of the city.

Sincerely hoping that these arrangements may prove satisfactory to you, and that it may be possible for you to return in a few months to continue your occupation.

You can live here. I remain,

Cordially yours,

W.R. Harper
Washington, le 14 Mai 1903

May 23rd, 1903.

Answered MAY 21 1903

Francis W. Shephardson,
Secretary to the President.

M. J. Fussend, 
Ambassador from France,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:-

I beg to acknowledge with grateful appreciation the receipt of the splendid publication commemorating the services in the War of the American Revolution of the many thousands of French soldiers and sailors who risked their lives for American independence. It is a notable contribution to American History. The examination of the lists will assuredly bring American recognition of American obligations owed by us to those who helped us in the trying times of struggle.

Again assuring you of my great appreciation, I remain

Yours very truly,
Deer Mr. [illegible]

I feel to express our appreciation of the sacrifices made in the interest of the American Revolution. We are deeply grateful for the contributions of those who fought for American independence.

Sincerely,

Yours very truly.
Washington, le 14 Mai 1903

Monsieur le Président,

Les listes des Officiers et soldats des armées françaises de terre et de mer qui ont pris part à la guerre de l'Indépendance Américaine ayant été retrouvées naguère dans les archives de l'État, le Gouvernement de la République a décidé, conformément aux suggestions de Son Excellence le Général Porter, de faire imprimer ces documents.

J'ai l'honneur de vous envoyer un exemplaire de cette publication que mon Gouvernement désire offrir à la bibliothèque de votre Université, et qui fait connaître, pour chaque Officier et soldat, les dates et lieux de sa naissance ainsi que divers autres renseignements. Je m'estime particulièrement heureux d'être appelé à transmettre à l'institution que vous dirigez ce témoignage des sentiments dont demeure entourée en France la mémoire de ceux qui, avec n'importe quel grade et dans n'importe quel rang, ont cimenté il y a plus d'un siècle l'amitié durable de nos deux Pays.

Agréez, Monsieur le Président, les assurances de ma haute considération,

[Signature]

Ambassadeur de France

[Signature]

P. S. L'exemplaire des...
l'Université lui demanda pour la
bléron, cours de France et Zurich.
Washington, le 20 février 1909

Mr. President

I cannot easily find adequate words to express my gratitude for the honor your university intends to confer upon me.

I shall always consider as one of the most pleasant and flattering souvenirs of my stay among your great nation the offer you so kindly made of an individual...
degree of hon. D2. of Laws.

Nothing would have been more in accordance with my feelings than to be able to go to Chicago at the early date you mentioned. But, as I explained to Dean Jones (whose courteous visit I highly appreciated), I had already accepted to be in New York on the same day, to preside at a meeting of the federation of the Alliance Française. I could not therefore but leave the matter in the hands of the President who had arranged all that concerns the meeting.
Mr. Hyde has just informed me by telegraph that some of the delegates came from great distances and must have already made arrangements for the 17th March, and that it would therefore be rather difficult to change another day.

Given such reasons, and as I had already promised to attend at that date, I did not think that I could properly insist. I hope you will consider that it was indeed difficult so otherwise.

I trust the visit to your city, which I anticipate with the greatest pleasure, will not be long delayed.
and that I shall soon be enabled to thank you "viva voce" for your great kindness, as well as to express my heartfelt wishes for this young University of yours, whose fame is growing year by year, and where France, I know, is happy in numbering many friends.

I am, sir, President,

V. Sincerely yours

[Signature]
I shall be present with pleasure at anything I am asked.

Only one more. Would you cause your secretary to send me some details: 1st for the occasion when I shall have to speak on the Saturday; what will it be, and when shall I address? 2d Then must be some printed account of last year's convocation. I should like very much to receive them.

We rejoice greatly at the better news of your health, and the glorious news of the university. With best compliments to Mrs. Harper I am most sincerely yours.

J. H. P.
decide to answer your friendly call. We both greatly desire to see you again, as well as your family and our common friends in that grand city which has left an us such a deep impression.

My wife, who has never been quite well for the last three years, is still under treatment. She grows weaker to accompany me and will surely, if the physician permits, beg me to thank you and my Harper for your neighbor hospitality.

As for me, I shall make an appeal to your Christian feelings, so that no overburdened program be arranged for me. I have not been very well of late and had to be, I hope, under treatment during my holidays. To go for one speech, and a few words besides, on the other occasion you mentioned is all right. But I hope no other society, great or small, will seek my society. If I decline is will feel hurt if I decline making any more speeches. If the question is only to be present
Saturday evening and at the Convocation, and it is understood that at the Convocation the address need not exceed twenty-five minutes.

Your many friends here are looking forward with great anticipation to your coming. October 27th, 1905, and myself will not consent to any other arrangement than that Madame Jusserand and yourself shall be our Honorable Juniors. We will meet you at the train and Ambassadon of France to the United States.

You will be in Washington, if the year is a most prosperous one for the University, the increase in students being nearly twenty per cent. I am glad to report also that in spite of a very serious Jusserand and yourself in the summer, I have not been during the month of September, I am now quite happy to think that you are both to be our guests in the month of December at the Convocation. I am hoping that nothing has occurred to change your minds in this matter. We are very anxious to have Madame. I remain yours very truly, and we will not be willing to have you arrange your departure before Wednesday. The Convocation itself will come Tuesday afternoon.

It is hoped that you will consent to be the guest at one time of the Alliance Française, and I am sure you will appreciate the importance of this under all the circumstances.

We will ask you to speak only twice, once on
Your request to speak at the Concordia Maior in the county five minutes later will be at your disposal. I will be in your office by 10:00 AM on October 28th, 1968.

Dear Sir,

I am writing to express my concern regarding the current state of the Concordia Maior. Your quick response and support would be greatly appreciated.

Yours sincerely,

[Signature]

American Embassy of the United States

Washington, D.C.

You will be pleased to know that the government has made progress in increasing security measures for the visitors to the United States.

After the emergency meeting with the American police and the embassy in the United States, I was informed that we need to take immediate action to prevent any further incidents. We will be monitoring the situation and coordinating our efforts to ensure the safety of all visitors.

I am writing to inform you that we will be changing your passport photo to reflect your current appearance.

As you are aware, I will be in Washington, D.C. on December 1st.

If you need additional assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

The Concordia Maior

Alien Affairs Department

We are committed to providing the best possible service to our visitors.

If you have any further questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at your earliest convenience.
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great anticipation to your coming. Mrs. Harper
and myself will not consent to any other arrangement
than that Madame Jussierand and yourself shall be our
Honorable J. J. Jussierand,
guests at our own house. We will meet you at the
Ambassador of France to the United States,
train and bring you directly to the house.

Washington, D. C.

You will be pleased to know that the year is a
most prosperous one for the University, the increase
in students being nearly twenty per cent. I am
glad to report also that in spite of a very serious
set back during the month of September, we have
making progress again and that it is to the best of
my knowledge that everything has occurred to change your
minds regarding our being especially cordially invited
Madame Jussierand by Saturday noon, December 15th,
and we will not be willing you to leave your
departure before Wednesday. The Convocation itself
will come Tuesday afternoon.

It is hoped that you will consent to be the
guest at one time of the Alliance Francaise, and I
am sure you will appreciate the importance of this
under all the circumstances.

We will ask you to speak only twice, once on
I am sure that you will find the Constitution and its amendment not only twenty-five minutes

most interesting but also very informative. I am confident that you will enjoy the presentation and will find it very educational. I am looking forward to your questions and comments after the presentation. If you have any questions or comments, please feel free to raise your hand. Thank you for your attention and I hope you find the presentation informative.

Sincerely,

[Name]

Governor of the Commonwealth of[State or Country]
My dear Mr. Jusserand:-

After the pleasant meeting with Madame Jusserand and yourself in the summer, I have been quite happy to think that you are both to be our guests in the month of December at the Convocation. I am hoping that nothing has occurred to change your mind in this matter. We are very anxious to have you reach Chicago by Saturday evening December 16th and we will not be willing to have you arrange your departure before Wednesday. The Convocation itself will come Tuesday afternoon. It is hoped that you will consent to be the guest at one time of the Alliance française and I am sure you will appreciate the importance of this under all the circumstances. We will ask you to speak only once on Saturday evening and at the Convocation, and it is understood that at the Convocation the address need not exceed twenty-five minutes.

Your many friends here are looking forward with great anticipation to your coming. Mrs. Harper and myself will not consent to any other arrangement than that Madame Jusserand and yourself shall be our guests at our own house. We will meet you at the train and bring you directly to the house.
MY DEAR MR. PREACHTON:

Vere, mit freundlichen Grüßen,

With humble respect and concern in the matter, I have seen your note of December 13th, and am writing in response to your kind offer.

I am writing to inquire into the matter of the connection.

May I ask you if you will be willing to have me arrange for an interview with someone connected with the connection?

Is it in accordance with the regulations of the school?

This afternoon, I am informed that you will meet to discuss the matter.

May I ask you to bear in mind the importance of the situation?

We will see you soon.

May I have the pleasure of looking forward to your reply?

Yours sincerely,

[Signature]
Chicago,

You will be pleased to know that the year is a most prosperous one for the University, the increase in students being nearly 20%. I am able to report also that in spite of the very serious setback during the month of September, I am now making progress again and that I hope soon to be on my feet once more.

Begging you to remember us very cordially to Madame, I remain

Yours truly,
You will be pleased to know that the year is well
progressed with the University, the increase in
students being over forty. I am glad to report also
that in spite of the very severe weather grimmer
months of September, I am now making progress again
and that I hope soon to be on the level once more.

Excited to hear from you soon, I remain

Yours truly,
I went again to Chicago in December 1905, and delivered the Convocation Address, taking for my subject "Some Maxims for Life," and I saw there for the last time President Harper, who, afflicted with an incurable disease, knowing full well that there was no escape, remained the same as in his happier days, as brave, as smiling, — his mind busy thinking of others, of his University, of what was going on in the world, not of his own fate. In his suffering, almost unable... We both send you our heartiest Christmas wishes, my dear president, for your health above all so valuable to thousands of your compatriots and others who are only your friends, and then for your family, in which I include that giant daughter of yours the Chicago University.

Ever yours faithfully,

JUSSELAND

COPY
to move, he presented a grand, a memorable figure, there is no other word.
Dec. 22, 1905

Dear President Harper:

I have just received this morning your most kind and affectionate letter. You are so good to take the trouble of writing when you have so much to do. I am the more thankful for this new proof of your highly valued friendship towards my country and me.

I left Chicago full of gratitude for the hearty welcome awarded me, and all I told my wife made her regret the more the untoward circumstances which prevented her from being present at the various ceremonies and functions I described to her. But she regrets nothing so much as not to have been with me when I had the extreme pleasure of visiting you.

I returned here quite safe, and not too tired; the journey was a rest. I found a message from the White House asking me to call on the President when my dinner was finished. I did so and in the long talk we had Chicago and Dr. Harper were not forgotten. The chief of the State inquired most affectionately about you and was glad to hear of the splendid fight you make, with so much pluck, against an illness which surely will have to recede.

We both send you our heartiest Christmas wishes, my dear president, for your health above all so valuable to thousands of your compatriots and others who are only your friends, and then for your family, in which I include that giant daughter of yours the Chicago University.

Ever yours faithfully,

JUSSELAND

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Dear President [Name],

I am writing this letter to congratulate you on your recent appointment. As a former student of [University], I am excited to see your leadership in action. Your dedication to education and your passion for fostering a welcoming and inclusive environment are truly inspiring.

I hope that your time in this role will bring about positive changes and advancements in the institution. Please accept my sincerest congratulations and best wishes for a successful tenure.

Sincerely,

[Your Name]
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Dec. 22, 1905

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My dear President,

"A l'impossible nul ne le lu" is an old proverb generally unknown here, and heartily despised. I doubt not, by the few who have heard of it, I belong however to an old country, the very country of that old proverb, and I have had to acknowledge sometimes that certain things at certain times
are not feasible. Of the number is what you ask; just now for a good while, I have far more occupations and engagements than I can honestly fulfill; and all my sympathy for you, for Chicago, and for the whole of Christianity may be only too more sensible of my deficiency.

I shall perhaps be able at some future time to show circumstances in which any feelings to bear born child of yours (never forever by writing about any contemporary question; that is forbidden us). But, for the present, really & truly I cannot.

And so being the case, I enclose the paper dipped into “the Fatale Green” which I found with your kind & flattering note, adding my best compliments and souvenirs to you and to your fam-

By Sincerely yours

[Signature]
December 13, 1902.

President W. R. Harper,

The University,

Chicago.

Dear Sir:

I return the clipping which you were kind enough to send me today. I thank you for it, but I was aware of all the facts contained in it.

Yours very truly,

[Signature]
Dear Sir:

I regret to inform you that I am unable to approve the proposed changes. You may wish to consult with Mr. [Name].

I regret that I cannot assist you further in this matter.

Yours truly,

[Signature]
SEND the following message subject to the terms on back hereof, which are hereby agreed to.

Mme. Jesserand,

The French Embassy,

Washington, 1910.

Your husband in his address has covered himself with glory. Many have greatly appreciated his visit. He is much regret your absence and trust that your health is continuing to improve. I send this with highest esteem in the name of a great many of the Ambassador's friends and yours. William R. Hays.
ALL MESSAGES TAKEN BY THIS COMPANY ARE SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING TERMS:

To guard against mistakes or delays, the sender of a message should order it REPEATED; that is, telegraphed back to the originating office for comparison. For this, one-half the regular rate is charged in addition. It is agreed between the sender of the following message and this Company, that said Company shall not be liable for mistakes or delays in the transmission or delivery, or for non-delivery of any unrepeated message, beyond the amount received for sending the same; nor for mistakes or delays in the transmission or delivery, or for non-delivery of any repeated message, beyond fifty times the sum received for sending the same, unless specially insured, nor in any case for delays arising from unavoidable interruption in the working of its lines, or for errors in cipher or obscure messages. And this Company is hereby made the agent of the sender, without liability, to forward any message over the lines of any other Company when necessary to reach its destination.

Correctness in the transmission of a message to any point on the lines of this Company can be insured by contract in writing, stating agreed amount of risk, and payment of premium thereon, at the following rates, in addition to the usual charge for repeated messages, viz, one per cent. for any distance not exceeding 1,000 miles, and two per cent. for any greater distance. No employee of the Company is authorized to vary the foregoing.

No responsibility regarding messages attaches to this Company until the same are presented and accepted at one of its transmitting offices; and if a message is sent to such office by one of the Company's messengers, he acts for that purpose as the agent of the sender.

Messages will be delivered free within the established free delivery limits of the terminal office. For delivery at a greater distance, a special charge will be made to cover the cost of such delivery.

The Company will not be liable for damages or statutory penalties in any case where the claim is not presented in writing within sixty days after the message is filed with the Company for transmission.

ROBERT C. CLOWRY, President and General Manager.
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Dated: Washington D.C.  Feb 27th, 03

To: President Wm R Harper

University of Chicago, City

Very grateful for invitation my wife will accompany me but impossible to be so long absent from my post. The utmost I can do is to spend sixteenth and seventeenth at Chicago, extremely sorry unable to remain longer. Sincere compliments for your success.
FORM 16.

POSTAL TELEGRAPH-CABLE COMPANY.

This Company transmits and delivers the within message subject to the following TERMS AND CONDITIONS.

To guard against mistakes or delays, the sender of a message should order it REPEATED; that is, telegraphed back to the originating office for comparison. For this, one-half the regular rate is charged in addition. It is agreed between the sender of the message written on the face hereof and the Postal Telegraph-Cable Company, that said Company shall not be liable for mistakes or delays in the transmission or delivery, or for non-delivery, of any UNREPEATED message, beyond the amount received for sending the same; nor for mistakes or delays in the transmission or delivery, or for non-delivery, of any REPEATED message beyond fifty times the sum received for sending the same, unless specially insured, nor in any case for delays arising from unavoidable interruption in the working of its lines, or for errors in cipher or obscure messages. And this Company is hereby made the agent of the sender, without liability, to forward any message over the lines of any other Company when necessary to reach its destination.

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This is an UNREPEATED Message and is delivered by request of the sender under the conditions named above. Errors can be guarded against only by repeating a message back to the sending station for comparison.

No employee of this Company is authorized to vary the foregoing.

WILLIAM H. BAKER,  
V. P. and Gen'l Manager.  

JOHN O. STEVENS,  
Secretary.  

JOHN W. MACKAY,  
President.
Very sorry for misunderstanding. I thought I had clearly explained the great difficulty I experienced in leaving Washington at present. My desire however not to disappoint in any way your University is such that at the risk of being disfavored to others I shall take the train you name. I shall be grateful if in drawing plans it be kindly remembered that I am unfortunately at present in an indifferent state of health.

Jusserand.
FORM 15.

POSTAL TELEGRAPH-CABLE COMPANY.

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WILLIAM H. BAKER,  JOHN O. STEVENS,  JOHN W. MACKAY,
V. P. and Gen’l Manager,  Secretary,  President.
Mr. President,

I see that, after all, and however strong may be my wishes to the contrary, Fate wanted me to disappoint, in some way, the University of Chicago. As I told Dean Judson, when he did me the honor of calling, being new in my post, it is much more difficult for me to leave it, in the midst of all the duties and obligations of the first months than it would have been at a later date. For this cause, and as my intention was to make, if possible,
same stay in your beautiful city and take time to become acquainted with its institutions. I expressed an earnest wish that my visit might be deferred till June.

This, as I saw from your telegram, could not be conveniently done, and I did not hesitate therefore to heartily accept your kind invitation for March 17, cancelling more from the previous engagement. I cannot well say how sorry I am not to see means of freeing myself to a larger extent and of reaching Chicago in time for the 14th of March banquet. I hope you will hold me excused and trust you feel sure that if I had had any possibility of meeting more fully your flattering wish, I should have seized it with alacrity. I am confident also, you will
not be surprised that such be the case, when you think of all I have to do in those first weeks of my stay here.

My wife is deeply touched at being included in your invitation, and though I am sorry to say, she feels rather weak on account of the fatigue attending upon our removing from Denmark, and settling here, she will be very pleased indeed to have went with me and to become acquainted with you, her, resident, and with those friends of France and of literary art for which your University is noted among us.

I am very glad to think that the formation will be presided over by you next year, and feel confident that it cannot fail to prosper under


Your guidance.

I remain

Most sincerely yours

John

[Writing on the bottom right appears to be a name or signature, but it is not legible.]
Pres. Harper invites Ambassador Jusserand to Chicago to receive degree.

1903
Send the following message subject to the terms on back hereof, which are hereby agreed to.

Mr. James H. Hyde,

9 East 40th St., New York City.

Many thanks. We accept with great pleasure. We intend staying at the Waldorf.

Jussorand.

Prepay and charge to President's Office.

Read the notice and agreement on back.