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Northwestern University, Evanston, Ills.

Y60 Emerson Street

Sept. 20, 1890

Dear Dr. Harper,

Your note of last April should have received, though it did not demand, an earlier answer. You remember our conversation at end of summer of 1889 in which I expressed the feeling that now that I am at Evanston the summer term is more valuable to me than it was while I was at New Haven, owing to the fact that during the year at Evanston, there is little left to entirely rely upon my own library for the book needs of my mathematical study. Hence I (relatively) could not spare the summer for elementary teaching, though I did feel that if the teaching were of the more advanced college courses the gain in time in experience would offset the loss of time,

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and with respect to that I feel still the same. I doubt much whether many students at Chautauqua would follow the advanced studies, and could suggest only—what you have always fully appreciated—that the position of Chautauqua in the educational world would be much improved by the further introduction of such courses for specialists into every department. I cannot understand the unwillingness of the managers to assume such expense. I haven’t heard in a direct way how successful last summer’s session was, and what the prospect for the future are.

This last summer, as I had expected, I spent some seven weeks in Stuttgurt,  
and needless, I say, they were very enjoyable, and also profitable. For the Northwestern Library from the trustees, because a special appropriation for the purchase of mathematical periodicals, which will nearly cover the set, very valuable and much needed by me. So the outlook in that direction is hopeful here, and also in upper class mathematical elective work which we are introducing this year.

Concluding by must heartily express my thanks to you and the Chicago University and its generous men who have made the combination so promising, I am.

Yours very sincerely,

[Handwritten signature]

[Typed name]
To The President,

My dear Dr. Harper,

My father is editor of (Metodois official) Western Christian Advocate, Cincinnati, Ohio, and is interested in the elevation of the negro. I quote:

"Rev. J. W. E. Bowen, Ph.D., of Baltimore and Washington, colored, has been selected as Dr. Crawford's successor in the chair of Historical Theology at Emuam Theological Institute, Atlanta. I once heard a story like this: that he studied Sanskrit by correspondence with Dr. Harper who was so pleased with him that, not knowing his color, he offered him a position in the Chicago University. Please find out and give me the facts at once."

So if you will kindly write me the facts, I shall be greatly obliged and indebted to you.

Our Congress was a very good success, and must have done our Chicago department good. The printing is left in hands of the local committee (Brown, Marshall, White). I hope that it will be possible to guarantee this shortly; it will be much better to carry through soon. Yours sincerely, E. F. Wood
To The President,

My dear Dr. Harper—

As to the colloquium of Klein and its being held in Evanston: you remember I called your attention to the matter in May, asking whether the University could not offer him a suite of dormitory rooms, to him as official representative of Germany to our Congress. That matter has difficulty, you said, in the way of creating a precedent likely to be troublesome during the World’s Fair.

Many thanks for the answer to my father’s inquiry.

If I am very anxious that you and Klein should meet. He will be here during September, the guest of Maschke the latter part of month. This is a general principle. Perhaps some day you will be ready to establish local professorship, and Klein will be willing to accept; which would be the thing for our department.

Believe me Your most sincerely,

E. H. Moore
To The President

My dear Dr. Harper —

I note contents enclosed letter concerning Mr. Perry, the blind mathematical instructor at University of California. — I hear from Mr. Jockson that another of their staff instructors plans to come here for prolonged graduate work — I shall be glad if the Berkeley people could tend regularly toward Chicago —

Yours very truly,

E.A. More
The letter is not entirely legible, but it appears to be a letter to someone named "Mr. P. C."

The text seems to mention a date, possibly "Feb. 5 1844," and refers to "The Board of Regents." There are also references to "the President" and "the president's secretary," indicating a formal or official context.

The handwriting is cursive and slightly difficult to read, but the content suggests a formal letter, possibly regarding university matters or official business.
Berkeley, January I9, I899.

President W.K. Harper,

University of Chicago,

My dear Sir:—

The case of Mr. Perry, one of our instructors in mathematics, was brought to my attention this afternoon. Mr. Perry interests us all very much. He is our most distinguished blind student. He entered the University some years ago, and, after taking a strong course for four years, was duly graduated with high scholarly standing. He was immediately given a fellowship, which he held two years. He was then made instructor in mathematics, and this position he has held for two or three years. During this time he has been saving what he could with the view of going abroad for further study. Just at the last, a misfortune in the health of his sister requiring costly treatment has swept away 800 of the 900 dollars he had saved. His plan now is to go to the University of Chicago for study in the mathematical department from April 1 to August 15, of the present year. This will enable him to carry his instruction almost to the end of this term here, and to return to take it up again at the beginning of the next term. His work has been of such a character with us, that we
President W. B. Harper

University of Chicago

May 2nd

The case of Mr. Patton, one of the instructors in

metallurgy, was brought to my attention this afternoon.

Mr. Patton is a fine young scientist who takes a keen

interest in the Department's work. He has been a

sincere and able teacher and a source of comfort to

your students. I am glad to hear that he is now back at

work. I am pleased to hear that he is back to two of his

subjects and that his position is as before. I am glad to

hear that he has been working hard and that he

intends to continue to work as before. I am also glad to

hear that the University of Chicago is going to start in

the fall

under the leadership of Mr. Patton. I am pleased to

hear also that Mr. Patton has come to the conclusion

that his future lies in the field of education. I am glad

to hear that he is ready to enter upon his full duties and

that he is willing to assume full responsibility for the

next term.

His work has been of great importance and must not be

underestimated.
are sure that Professor Moore and his associates will be
interested in him, and we are disposed to solicit for
him whatever assistance may be at hand.

I am, therefore, taking the liberty to ask in his
behalf if the University will forego the fees ordinarily
collected of graduate students. He would also be glad
to do a certain amount of teaching, private or public,
to help meet expenses. Of his ability in dealing with
college classes, Professors Stringham and Haskell give
satisfactory testimony, and among the students his
attainments seem to command universal respect.

Very truly yours,

Bernard Moore
the male police force and the association will be
interested in this plan and we are anxious to support it.

I am privileged to extend the invitation to you to join the
people to the occasion. If you can, the better the better.
I am enthusiastic about the possibilities and the prospects
of getting a certain amount of cooperation and assistance.
I hope to help meet expenses of the police in keeping with
College of Police. I propose to pay for the expenses.

Sincerely yours,

[Signature]

With best wishes.

[Signature]