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Mr. Mason, and Friends:

The University is profoundly gratified to receive at your hands the memorial of Colonel Francis W. Parker. It is highly appropriate that such memorial should be placed here in the heart of Emmons Blaine Hall, and in the midst of the busy work of which he was the founder. Colonel Parker was one whose lifework by no means disappeared when he passed from earth. A teacher's work, it is true, is not in its results embodied in material form. An architect rears a stately building; an engineer constructs a bridge of steel; and either may stand through the ages as the visible embodiment of its creator's power. The teacher's work seems to vanish away, to be dissipated in the silent forces which move society. In fact, however, it lives, and always will live, in the characters of many, and passes on from them in a continually widening sphere.

Colonel Parker as a teacher was a spirit; he was not a system. He meant primarily love for children, and not the
Mr. Mason and Friends:

The universality is proverbial.

Evidently to receive the highest pleasure of
Colonel Parker's work. It is highly appropriate
that such memory should be placed here in the midst
of the Eastman Building Hall and in the middle of the town work
of which we are the younger. Colonel Parker was one whose
illness, on no mean disappears when he passes from earth.
A genius' work, if it is true, is not in the senses employed;
In material form. An artist's sense a faculty of seeing and other may
sharpen the eyes as the visible computation of the creator's
power. The teacher's work seems to vanish away.
In gratitude to the noble toil which moves society. In
trust, however, if lives and strangers will live in the
infinity of man, and pleasure on from them in a continuing
agreement above.

Colonel Parker as a teacher was a spirit; we were not the
shapers. He was primarily for criticism and not for the
construction of modern imagination,
construction of machinery for teaching children. He was a prophet, and not an organizer. His life was the incarnation, then, of all his ideas and ideals. It is therefore, as I have said, peculiarly fitting that this memorial, placed where it is, should be here in enduring bronze, so that all the coming generations may learn to know and revere the memory of the man.
Feb. 8, 1919

My dear President Jackson:

At a recent meeting of the Francis Parker Club it was decided to print as a memorial the addresses given December 1918 at the presentation of the bust of Col. Parker to the University. I was appointed as a committee of three to ascertain if the speaker could come.
were willing for this to be done and of the manuscripts of the address, as could be obtained.

Your remarks were so greatly appreciated by all present, that the Club member who had the good fortune to be present, as well as those unable to attend.

You, Blaine, relatives and other friends, will appreciate much highly a printed copy your excellent statement.

Trusting you can allow this favor, I am yours,

Mrs. Cordelia A. S. D. and Hon. Lona Paine.
Chicago, February 14, 1917

Dear Miss Baber:

Your note of the 8th inst. is received. My little talk on occasion of the presentation of the Parker Memorial was not written, was in the main spontaneous, and I am sorry to say I did not dictate it at the time. It could not then be reproduced. The substance of it perhaps you will find in the "University Record" for January, which is just out.

Very truly yours,

H.P.J. - L.

Miss Zonia Baber
5628 Dorchester Avenue, Chicago
Office Penrose 14, 1914

Dear Miss Parker:

Your note of the 6th

and the little talk on

occasion of the presentation of the

Penrose Memorial was not written, was

in the main spontaneous, and I am sorry
to say I did not agree to it at the
time. It cannot not seem to be remarkable.
The substance of it perhaps you will

find in the "Unveiling Record" for

Jennings, written in that one.

Very truly yours,

H.R. L. L.

Miss Emma Parker

Penrose Development Avenue, Office.