Dr. A. K. Parker to Dr. Harper, October 21, 1890.

"I was not present at the Conference of the Committee when the article to which you particularly object - the giving of the first hundred thousand to the Seminary, was adopted. At the meeting of the Seminary Board Friday the resolutions as a whole were referred to the Theological Union with the approval of the Board. I think you must see that the Seminary will be greatly embarrassed during the next two years to meet the deficiency in its current expenses. It will be very difficult to make the Baptist constituency believe that it needs money when the report of Mr. Rockefeller's gift has gone abroad. I wish Mr. Rockefeller could have considered this aspect of the question.

I hope very much that we are to see you next week. Important questions are coming up every day. I was assailed yesterday, if that is not too strong a word, by some of my brother ministers, who had learned that Mr. Ryerson had been made or was to be made President of the Board. (It is surprising how much more some of the brethren know of the proceedings of the Board than I do - I get news from them every Monday). The objection, of course, is to giving the control of the Board into the hands of one who is not a Baptist. Personally, I do not feel the force of these objections, and I am pleased with what I have seen of Mr. Ryerson. But I should be sorry to arouse criticism at this stage, or what is far harder to meet, a party clamor.

Of course, if you come, you will meet the Committee on Organization before the meeting of the Board."
Mr. Gates to Dr. Harper, October 23, 1890.

"Yours of 21st just at hand. I also read yours to Goodspeed which he received yesterday. Our two letters on same theme and addressed you on same day were written without previous conference. Neither knew the other's views."

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Mr. Gater to Dr. Hébert, October 23, 1930

"You're at Dear Janet's hand. I used to keep you in good shape with the recent exercises. Our two lectures on same theme may strengthen you on some gay work. Write me soon without乘用车 conference. Keep 'em keen.

The other's view."
Dr. A. K. Parker to Dr. Harper, October 25, 1890.

"Mr. Blake I learn insists that his resignation shall be presented to the Board. He has had an interview with Mr. Ryerson and writes that Mr. R. urges him to retain the position and allow the vice president to do the work. This generous offer Mr. Blake writes that he cannot think of accepting. Why not? It is generous, no doubt, in Mr. Ryerson and I don't see why we should not treat it as honestly made, and use it. If Mr. Blake would withhold his resignation until the annual meeting of the Board, we should not be compelled to meet an outcry against putting a man into this important position who is not a Baptist and Mr. Ryerson would no doubt have confirmed the judgment of those who think him the best man for this place.

Can you not get released from Yale and come to Chicago in January? It would advance matters rapidly if you could declare your intentions and come upon the ground."
In a letter to Mr. Harper, October 5th, 1850.

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Mr. Whittier receives the Restitution note

He kindly offers to pay the bond. He has not had an opportunity of

knowing the exact state of affairs. He offers to pay in full the

amounts due within a few days. He also expresses his sense of

your kind treatment of him.

Mr. Whittier had written a letter to the Bank, expressing his

regret that he could not return the note at this time. He states

that he is in want of funds and that he will do all in his power to

pay the claim as soon as possible.

I have had the pleasure of receiving a letter from Mr. Whittier,

stating that he is unable to pay the amount due at this time but

will make every effort to settle the matter as soon as possible.

I am pleased to hear that Mr. Whittier is in want of funds and

will do all in his power to settle the matter as soon as possible.

Please let me know if you require any further information.

Yours very truly,

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Dr. Northrup to Dr. Harper, October 27, 1890.

"The Executive Committee requested me, at its last meeting, to inquire if you still deemed it wise to carry out the suggestion which you made while here, to bring before Mr. Rockefeller the idea of letting the pledge for $6,500 stand as it was originally made. We are at our wit's end to meet our own expenses. In the present condition of things Dr. Hewitt can do no more than to meet his own expenses (including salary) and those of the Education Society which will be over $5,000 this year.

Allow me to suggest the name of Dr. Behrends for Professor in the chair of Philosophy. Dr. Behrends is one of the very ablest men of my acquaintance. He was Dr. Robinson's first choice for the position which Dr. Strong was appointed to fill. His mind is eminently philosophical—penetrating, clear, logical. Being a German he has a perfect mastery of the German language and is profoundly versed in the continental as well as in the English systems of Philosophy. Withal he is a man of extraordinary rhetorical power and stands in the front rank of the preachers of the Congregational body. Also he unites in himself in an unusual degree the conservative and the progressive tendencies of the Evangelical thought of the day. He was, as you know, a Baptist and would be with us today if he had not been dealt with in such a violent way.

I may add that in writing these lines I am absolutely self-moving."
Mr. Askari to Mr. Ehtesham, October 27, 1960,

The Secretary-General requested me on the 21st to have a meeting with the Prime Minister of India and also with the Minister of Commerce of India. I arranged to meet with Mr. Birla and Mr. Sarabhai on the same day. My meeting with Mr. Birla was very informal and I was told that he was not in a position to discuss any matter with me. My meeting with Mr. Sarabhai was more systematic and he promised to forward a note to his Government on the matter of the recognition of India.

Mr. Askari informed me that he had discussed the matter with Mr. Birla and Mr. Sarabhai and that he was not in a position to promise anything. He added that he would forward a note to his Government on the matter of the recognition of India.

I then asked him if there was any other matter that I could assist him with. He said that he would forward a note to his Government on the matter of the recognition of India.

I then left and returned to my office.
Dr. Goodspeed to Dr. Harper, October 28, 1890.

"I greatly regret that you did not see Mr. Ryerson. Had one of your young men answered his telegram and told him you were at Princeton he could just as easily have run down there."

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"I am disappointed that we are not to see you for seven weeks yet. Mr. Gorthell came in last week and told me he had just had a letter from you and that you would be out the middle of November. I therefore have not notified the Trustees of the regular meeting today, expecting to call them together to meet you soon.

During the last ten days some sixteen students have reported. They keep coming right along."
Oct. 28, 1890

Mr. Rockefeller to Dr. Harper:

Acknowledges his letter of the 26th, which he has not yet read.
Mr. Rockefeller to Mr. Herter:

Awaiting return of letter of the 10th, which he has not yet received.

Respectfully,

[Signature]
Mr. Rockefeller to Dr. Harper:

"Referring again to yours of the 26th: I hardly see how the University could contribute to the investment therein referred to. I have so many promises out must wait for some money to come in. Hope to see you before long for another talk. May go to Vassar in a week or two. Sorry to have lost a chance of Schurman. Had you said anything to him? Pleased to note the favorable comment on your plan."
Dr. Goodspeed to Dr. Harper, October 30, 1890.

"I send you an application for the Presidency of the Academy. I write the young man that I have nothing to do with these matters and have sent his letter to the appropriate committee. An applicant for the position of Director of Gymnasium, a lady who is about to visit New Haven, asked for a letter to you. I declined to give any on the ground that you have not accepted the appointment of President it would embarrass you to receive a personal application from her. She may stop, however. So prepare yourself.

I return Bishop Vincent's letter. It is very fine and most gratifying. I think you will have to have your plan written out and send it to me, as it will be six weeks before we see you. We are getting here some distorted accounts and we ought to have an authentic and authoritative statement.

If you leave us a freshman class we have now the names of 70 students for the four college classes. These have come in during the past two months without an effort on our part.

It is not too much to say that we know where as many more are coming from whose names we have not yet on our list. And when we get them we shall have only begun. Shall about that time really be ready to begin to gather them in. I suppose you will see Gates Sunday and I hope your deliberations may be pleasant and profitable."
Dear Mr. Manager,

I am writing to express my interest in the position advertised in your newspaper. Attached is my resume and I have some experience in the field of accounting. I am confident that my skills and knowledge meet the requirements of the position.

I am a diligent and hardworking individual who is always willing to go the extra mile to ensure that my tasks are completed to the best of my abilities. I am also a quick learner and I am always eager to learn new things.

I am a team player and I am always willing to work with others to achieve our goals. I am confident that I can contribute to your organization and I am looking forward to the opportunity to work with you.

Thank you for considering my application. I am looking forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely,

[Your Name]
Dr. Goodspeed to Dr. Harper, November, 1890.

"It may be that as you are coming so early in December, we ought not to ask you to come Thanksgiving.

Send in to me your ideas of the general recitation building. Also send me as soon as you get it into shape your scheme. What would you say to having it placed before the members of the Board in advance of your coming that they may be able to more fully understand your personal presentation of it, to more intelligently consider it, and to be better able to ask questions and come to a quick intelligent and unanimous conclusion?

I send you a lot of applications which will explain themselves. You will notice that Mr. Field speaks well of the Cornell man and Mr. Peck writes a word about the Oxford fellow.

Mr. Ryerson has been in today. He is greatly interested, but says there is nothing in the way of buildings at Yale to help us except Dwight Hall. He visited Harvard and thinks there are two or three buildings there to be considered. He is going to look over the buildings at Ann Arbor and Princeton. Indeed he evidently intends to see a good many groups of College buildings in our interest."
Dr. Goodspeed to Dr. Harper, November 3, 1890.

"Your favor of November 1 is at hand. I enclose Andrew's letter in commendation of the applicant for principalship of Academy. I am delighted with your suggestion about Stagg. He would be a great card.

My information about your plan came thro' Morehouse, or from him thro' a third party. The suggestion about the Freshman class disquiets me. I can't like it. Everything else I have heard meets my unqualified approval.

But that seems to me to be so great a departure from the American type that the public would not know what we were. You may have strong reasons, but they will need (thro' I keep an open mind on this and every subject) to be strong to move me. However the body you have to persuade is the Board and not me.

I am glad to hear you say you can come out at Thanksgiving. May I depend on that and call a meeting of the Board, Friday, November 28, 3:00 P.M. (If that is Thanksgiving week) or do you wish to meet in the morning?

I am very sorry that Dr. Dwight is disposed to trouble you and trust that the lapse of time will bring him to a better mind.

I have no doubt we shall have the number of students you indicate—if you have a Freshman class. There will be from 150 to 200 Freshman. But this number would not go"
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"to the Academy, nor half of them.

For the upper classes it is hardly too much to say that every class in every college in the West will send one or more. A young man writes that he expects to bring half a dozen or more from the University of Wisconsin. I have no doubt the South will send its quota as well as the East. I am glad to hear that you are hearing of New England candidates. We had last week a Colgate man give us his name for the graduate department and an Illinois pastor also.

I trust you and Gates had a good time and came to a cordial agreement on all points of The Plan. I hope you will send it to me, for how can he do otherwise than give it to me."
Nov. 6, 1890

Mr. Rockefeller to Mr. Gates:

Invites Mr. Gates to breakfast with him November 7th at 7:45 A.M.
Dr. Goodspeed and Mr. Gates to Dr. Harper,
November 9, 1890.

"Have Harper wire us why we are summoned, a hint at least."
Dr. Goodspeed and his plate to Dr. Harper of 1820.

"Isaac Hunter, with his name on the boundary a gift.

of Tennes."
Dr. Harper to Dr. Morehouse:

"I had a long interview with Blake yesterday as I telegraphed you. He is enthusiastic in favor of the new idea. If he were not a Chicago man, he would be more interested in Washington than Chicago, and thinks it would be the greatest pity in the world to let the thing drop. He thinks the plan of union is feasible unless legal difficulties prevent it. It seems to me there is no question. I have outlined the matter more definitely and I hope you will come primed and charged for an assault upon Goodspeed and Gates. I am trying to get Mr. Rockefeller to come out to the Congress tomorrow afternoon. If he comes, we will have him to go to work on at once."

"I feel now that if this cannot be carried through, I do not care to go to Chicago. It will quadruple the Chicago enterprise to accomplish this thing."

Editor's Note. The "assault on Goodspeed and Gates" is probably a reference to opposition from them to a plan thus early formed by Dr. Harper and tentatively held by him to the close of his life, by which Columbia University at Washington was to become a department of the University of Chicago—a scheme always successfully opposed by Mr. Gates for whom careful and repeated consideration never departed from his earliest views that the claims put forth for Washington as an attractive and advantageous seat for University were unfounded. The city offers no fixed population, no nearby first-student cities, little lease of from nearby cities, Johns Hopkins to within an hour's ride. The Government departments do not as is so confidently asserted afford illustration material of practical values or teachers of the disciplines. The nearest demand. Chace leans is the main argument. Not in favor of a train University, by a real one.
I have a good interview with Phelps with which I am pleased. I do not want to go to town to look at the real estate. I hope to get a letter from Chicago with the details.

To the committee I am going to write to see if there is any possibility of my coming to Chicago. If not, I will come to New York.

I hope you will come to Chicago. I will come to Chicago if possible.

I hope this will be of use to you.
Goodspeed and Gates to Dr. Harper, November 11, 1890.

"En route for New Haven. Expect us tomorrow morning."
Nov. 12, 1890

Mr. Rockefeller to Dr. Harper:

Declines his invitation to attend the Baptist Congress at New Haven.
Dr. Morehouse to Dr. Harper, November 19, 1890.

"I have just had an interview with Dr. Welling. The way is all clear for you to visit Washington, not only to look into its facilities for university education but to confer with the Dr. concerning university work at Washington in close relations with the university work at Chicago. He is in hearty sympathy with the idea of federated or cooperative work, and he desires me to say that he will be glad to see you for a conference on this subject. I have pretty strongly hinted to him that the hope of Columbian University so far as non-professional university work is concerned, lies in connecting itself very closely with Chicago University. How closely this alliance can be made I don't know. But the door is open and you are invited to walk in.

I received the copy of the conclusions to which we came at New Haven."
Dr. Goodspeed to Dr. Harper, November 24, 1890.

"Your favor is at hand. I have arranged for the Committee on Organization to meet you at 7:00 P. M. Thursday, Building Committee, Friday 11:00 A. M., Committee on Union with Seminary, 3:00 P. M. I have also invited Mr. Ryerson to be present at these meetings as Vice-president and the other gentlemen as you suggest for Thursday evening.

The 1893 matter will bear thinking of and discussing later."

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Dear [Name],

I have received your letter dated [Date].

I am pleased to inform you that the Committee on Organization has agreed to meet you at 4:00 PM on Thursday, [Date], in Committee Room [Room Number]. Please be prepared to discuss the matters listed in your letter.

I have been advised that the President and the other members of the Committee are looking forward to your attendance.

Please let me know if you require any further information.

Sincerely,

[Your Name]
Prof. Lewis Stuart to Dr. Harper, November 28, 1890.

"You have out-Harpered Harper. 'Unique and revolutionary' by no means adequately represent the situation. You give a three years' course without lowering the standard and provide for those who can not keep up average work.

You solve the problem of non-resident work; and provide for that large class, especially in our great cities, who want a broader outlook or special training. In a word, you set forth the ideal 'University' in the old and in the new meaning of that much abused word, 'all knowledge for all men.' Such a plan could only be originated by you and can be organized and carried forward by you alone. I wish you most sincerely the glorious success you deserve and for myself to see arise out of the ashes of the old U. of C. the greatest university in the world."
Nov. 28, 1890

Dr. Harper to Dr. Morehouse:

"I leave this afternoon for Chicago to lay my plan in detail before the Organization Committee. I have worked it out in beautiful form. I gave it last Sunday afternoon to Dr. Strong at Vassar and he pronounced it beyond criticism. It was the most satisfactory interview I have had on the subject. He is heartily in favor of all the leading features. You may not know that Mr. Rockefeller has definitely and finally closed up the New York City Theological Seminary. This has been done within a week: Dr. Strong himself told me of the fact. He said to me that perhaps, after all, he had been mistaken in supposing New York City to be the place and that perhaps Chicago was to be the place. This is significant.

"I have heard nothing from Dr. Welling, although I have written him. Herbert B. Adams of Johns Hopkins spent a night with me last week and he fairly glows over the idea of Washington City in connection with Chicago."
Dr. Harber to Dr. Womansee:

"I have been notified from Dr. Welthy's Institute that I have written

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Dr. Goodspeed to Dr. Harper, December 5, 1890.

"Your two favors have come to hand with enclosures, which I have much enjoyed. President Eliot sustains your plan at almost every vital point and will evidently be a strong ally. We ought to get our plan printed at the earliest moment or some of these fellows like Eliot will get in ahead of us.

We are working hard and money is beginning to come in more freely."

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Mr. Goergebee & Mr. Hamel, Pearson & Co.

Your two letters have come to hand with annoyance.

When I paid your shippers, President Hiltz, yesterday, I made a point of inquiring about the condition of all these letters. He informed me that they had all arrived at the office. I am unable to say at what time they arrived, but I will see that they are delivered to you as soon as possible.

I am in receipt of your letter of yesterday, and am very much pleased to hear from you.

In more haste.
Dr. Goodspeed to Dr. Harper, December 8, 1890.

"I cannot answer your letter received Saturday. Gates is absent in Nebraska. We have settled that second matter you refer to and I will not reopen it. If you are right in your surmises as to the plans of Dr. Dwight and others they can only help you and us. I see by the New York Evening Post as quoted in the ensign that the Yale Students are thinking of making a demonstration in opposition to your leaving. I hope they will do so. It will advertise you and us.

I shall call the meeting for Monday, December 15, at 11:00 A. M. in Room 414, 218 La Salle Street, this building. Let me know when to expect you. Mr. Blake will arrive Saturday. I am very hard at work writing to some 500 of our subscribers."

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Dec. 11, 1890

Mr. Rockefeller to Dr. Harper:

Fears he cannot go to Vassar Sunday.
Doc. 77, 1930

To the Rockefeller Foundation:

Enclosed is a copy of the request.

Yours for immediate action,

[Signature]
Dr. Morehouse to Dr. Harper, December 12, 1890.

"Yours of 10th at hand. Accept my thanks for the privilege of perusing the plan of organization, etc. It is wrought out with remarkable ability both in its general features and in its details. I see nothing to be added or taken therefrom. I shall be glad to see you as you pass through the city on your way to Chicago.

I believe the adoption of this plan, and its publication will be the educational sensation of the time; further, I believe it will meet with general approval, though of course, you need not expect to escape criticism from some old fogies from 'Wayback'.

Now, as the Lord has given you the plan, so you must attend to its execution."
Br. Strong to Dr. Harper, December 23, 1890.

"A great pressure of work at the close of the term has until now prevented an answer to your kind request for an opinion with regard to your scheme of University Organization.

It impresses me very much and though I do not feel competent in advance to estimate all its parts, and think that only trial can determine in some respects its value, yet I shall be most favorably disposed to seeing the trial made, if only money enough can be got to give the scheme a fair chance.

To carry it out fully would require no less money than I wished for a University in the City of New York. I wish I could believe that such an institution in Chicago would win and hold the country as one in New York would, but if the powers that be decree that Chicago shall be the place, I shall desire that it may have millions even at the start, and I shall wish that its great success may demonstrate how mistaken my own views were.

I do not think that Baptists in this country can possibly support more than one real University. By University I mean an Institution for postgraduate work. My second remark upon your plan is that you turn back the wheels of time and ignore the lessons of the past by attempting to combine in one Institution both Postgraduate and Academical work. Johns Hopkins has seen that this is a mistake. The best work cannot be done by teachers who teach both graduates and postgraduates together. Nor is the effect upon students good, of mixing both classes in one institution. In my judgment the making of a great college with from five to seven millions endowment at Chicago - in other words a College that could compare with Yale or Harvard or Ann Arbor - while our postgraduate work is done in New York, would be a far better provision for the future than a combination of Academy, College and University, such as Germany has so long outgrown.

One other general criticism I think very important. I see no provision for securing the theological orthodoxy or religious character of the teachers in the Institution. This to me is the most vital point of all. I do not know why Baptists should concern themselves about education at all, unless they aim to establish institutions which fill a totally different place from those founded on a secular basis by individuals or by the State. In what respect is Christianity to be a part of the University of Chicago, as it is not a part of the University of Michigan? What I
A great proportion of work of the college of the year
and which was determined to continue to your kind teacher
you, as Director, and taking so much of your appetite.

Organization

If I understand me correctly, you have not had
comprehensive knowledge of all the parts, and this
work, which I think you may understand, is to
receive the same. I will, therefore, not repeat
these terms, but I will, in my opinion, say a few
words on this subject.

To write it is not only writing on idle money

but writing also on idle money.

I do not think such preferences in these country.

busy, especially as I mean an instruction to boisterous work.

I see your name is not your own in that you write,

and your occupation is not your own. In my opinion, too,

the part which cannot be done by themselves. Not to the

face you say you want the college to make a college,

after all, to have a college, while our college must be

given in the college, money as a part of the consideration for the

easy and generally used to your country.

One other constant condition I think may
important.

I see no indication the college will make any
improvement or the college will make any
improvement in the college, or the college will make any
improvement in the college.
"desire is a University on a different model from any existing one - a University in which Christ is nominally and really the corner stone, and rationalism, at least so far as the teachers are concerned, is kept out.

As to matters of detail, as I remarked, I hardly feel like venturing a judgment. I hesitate about the Correspondence Courses, as not susceptible of rigid accounting and as opening the way to fraud on the part of students. I doubt whether teachers or principals of Academies should have part in the government of a University or a seat in its Council. I doubt the possibility, in practice, of so arranging full courses of work during the summer, that those who wish can study throughout the year. There is a question in my mind about the relative advantages of the concentration system, both for teacher and student. It is often the case that the very men who are most ready to drive hardest and do most in a given time, need most to take quieter and more reflective methods.

But about these matters, I have no positive or final opinion. You may be right, and there is much to say for your propositions. The total scheme is an imposing one. I doubt whether any one but yourself could carry it out; and, if it is inaugurated, I shall hope that you will not die before it is set thoroughly a going and men raised up who understand it and can execute it. If it succeeds, it will unquestionably attract the widest attention both at home and abroad.

I close, as I began, by saying that the three great dangers are: first, that there will not be half money enough to give the scheme a fair trial; secondly, that the mixing up of elementary and advanced education will prevent the best work in both directions; thirdly, that proper security will not be taken to prevent the falling of the whole institution into the hands of Antichrist. But I trust that God will take care of all this. I shall wish to do all I can to help."
As a university, we are committed to providing quality education and research opportunities to students. Our mission is to foster a learning environment that is characterized by excellence and innovation. We believe that our students are our most valued asset and that they should be provided with the best possible educational experience.

In this context, we have implemented a range of initiatives to improve the quality of our programs and services. These initiatives include the development of new courses, the enhancement of our facilities, and the introduction of new technologies to support learning.

We are also committed to ensuring that our students have access to the resources they need to succeed. This includes providing support services such as academic advising, career counseling, and financial aid.

Overall, our goal is to create a dynamic and inclusive learning community that is dedicated to excellence and innovation.
Professor Lewis Stuart to Dr. Harper, December 29, 1890.

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"No one of my colleagues with whom I have spoken has criticized adversely one single point, but several have spoken of it as revolutionary, impractical and impracticable. Criticism of this sort amounts to nothing, as I tell them, that it is revolutionary is true, that education cannot be revolutionized is not, as the history of education shows; that the plan is impractical and impracticable you must disprove by realizing your ideal. I do not think, however, that there is any other educator who would dare so great an enterprise or daring it would give assurance of success until success was realized. Several of our faculty are already in favor of the Major and Minor studies and of massing the work of the various departments. You have put your hand to the plough, we wait now for the glorious harvest."

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Professor Farnsgraf at the Market, November 20,
John C. Sharpe to Dr. Harper, December 29, 1890.

"I see by the papers that you have given to the Board of Trustees the plans for the new University. I congratulate you on their publication. I believe the result will be a great university, and what is still greater in its results—that the methods in all our colleges must be changed through its influence."

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Prof. R. W. Rogers, Dickinson College, to Dr. Harper,
December 29, 1890.

"I am delighted to learn that you have decided to accept
your splendid invitation to make a great University in Chicago.
I congratulate you upon the most brilliant opportunity of your
life, and yet more do I congratulate the authorities of that
prospective institution upon having secured your marvellous
organizing, executive and administrative ability for this
great task. I have faith to hope also that you will not find
it necessary to turn wholly from the field of your great
laurels—Semitic learning. I feel that all we, who have deeply
at heart the progress of Semitic studies in America, may feel
jubilantly happy in the sure hope that these important
subjects will have a fair field in the new University.

I have just returned from Chicago where I gave a brief
course of lectures upon 'Assyriology and the Old Testament'
before the 'McCormick Theological Seminary' and I there and
everywhere else in the great Lake City heard you spoken of
with enthusiasm."

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I am delighted to learn that you have decided to accept your appointment to Chicago.

Your splendid invitation to make a grant University in Chicago picks out the most promising opportunities of your life, and may serve to reinforce the enthusiasm of your administration. An American institution abundant in scholarship and education, and existing at your expense, may smile at the mere prospect of our acquaintance. I cannot but hope that you will find our dear friends.

I need not labor to prove the importance of education, or to demonstrate its value. Everyone, I believe, has been influenced by that most noble and famous saying, that whoever may be the author of it, is veritably and justly pronounced, "With education."
M. E. Johnson (pastor) to Dr. Harper, December 30, 1890.

"Ever since my first introduction to you at Newton Centre a few years ago, I have been deeply interested in you and in your work. The published plan of the scope of instruction in the new University of Chicago, pleases me very much. I should like to pursue studies in connection with it and intend to do so if such a plan is carried out.

Allow me to express the most earnest hope that you will accept the position of President of the new University. It is a commanding position with ample opportunity to mark an epoch in the educational history of our country; a position which a sanctified, earnest soul might justly covet as a means of doing untold good for generations to come. It is a position moreover for which your training and experience most emphatically fit you to assume with success. As I look over the field, none seem to me to have equal fitness to fill this place. Please pardon my earnestness in this matter. I greatly desire to see our Baptist host at the front in all spiritual educational and philanthropic efforts.

You are the Philip Sidney to lead on our enthusiastic young men and women to take a position far in advance of any one we have ever held."

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X. J. Keesen (enlisted) of U.S. Marine December 30, 1949

I will state in this statement to show that I am

very happy to be in the service of the country I am

now in your service. The opportunity that I have

been given to serve my country, I am very

grateful. I enjoy this privilege and I am

glad to be able to do my part to serve my

country.

After I was trained to go to war, I shall be ready to

fight and do my part to serve my country.

I have no more to say except that I am

glad to be in this service.

Sincerely,

X. J. Keesen (enlisted)
Dr. Goodspeed to Dr. Harper, December 30, 1890.

"I sent a telegram to New Haven in last night's mail, a clipping from the Minneapolis Tribune, the historical statement for the bulletin, etc.

If you wish to add or insert or change please do so. I have made it very short indeed. Perhaps I ought to have put in a line about Gates' labors, but as you see I have given credit to no one save Mr. R. and Mr. Field. If I began I did not know where to stop, for there was Goodspeed, Hinckley, Harper, Blake, The Standard Club, and others who might have been mentioned, and if one of them is spoken of the rest can reasonably complain if they are neglected.

We got $1,300 yesterday."
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