My dear Governor Woodruff,

Since accepting your kind invitation to spend this Saturday and Sunday at your camp in the Adirondacks, matters of such importance have come up as to necessitate my going to New England on Friday for several days. I am therefore most regretfully obliged to decline your courtesy, in doing which at such a late day I sincerely hope I am not putting you and Mrs. Woodruff to serious inconvenience.

I beg again to express my appreciation of the hospitality which you extended and which I had looked forward with much pleasure to enjoying.

Please accept for Mrs. Woodruff and yourself my compliments and believe me,

Very truly,

John D. Rockefeller Jr.

Aug. 21, 1901.
Mr. John D. Rockefeller, Jr.,
Tarrytown, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Rockefeller:

Sometime ago I spoke to Mr. J. Starr Murphy, whom I frequently meet at luncheon, about bringing to your attention the financial necessities of the Republican State Committee, in the hope that you would be willing to render us some assistance. You will remember that during the campaign, you had Mr. Murphy call upon me with the result that you subscribed $5000. Mr. J. Pierpont Morgan and Mr. Levi P. Morton each subscribed $20,000. In the report that the Committee rendered under the law, these amounts, of course, were all set forth and there was no criticism from any source that I have heard of regarding the amounts subscribed by Mr. Morgan and Mr. Morton. I got the idea at the time, that were it not for the possibility of criticisms, you would have been willing to have given more.

During the last few days of the Campaign, I was called upon to spend a very considerable amount of money and that at a time when I was too busy to solicit the means with which to defray the expenditures. This resulted in involving the State Committee in debt to others and, particularly, to me, as I advanced a good deal of the money. We have to maintain our Headquarters, of course, from one campaign to another, and we are on the eve of another election which involves the control of the Legislature.

Just about the time you subscribed $5000, Mr. Carnegie gave me a similar amount and stated if I needed more money after the campaign was over, he would give another $5,000, which he has since done. Can I not successfully appeal to you to give us $5000, more? We are very greatly in need of it and I will appreciate it very much indeed. It hardly seems fair that with all the work of it, to the exclusion of all attention to my personal affairs for two or three months, I should be called upon now to put any more
money into it than I have already done.

If you desire to have me see Mr. Murphy, who called upon me at your request during the campaign, I will be glad to see him anywhere at his convenience.

I hope you will help us, and beg to remain, with very best wishes,

Yours sincerely,
September 2nd, 1908

Mr. John D. Rockefeller
Parsonage St. N.Y.

My dear Mr. Rockefeller:

The note, including check for $5,000.00, came to hands this morning at half past six o'clock. I had just received from the National Committee a check to cover all our requirements, and while I hesitate from thoughtfulness and generosity, therefore, I return to you, renewed received, the check for the thoughtfully and generously sent me. I beg to remain

With best wishes

Mrs. [Signature]