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Chicago, *Spencer* (1902) *Gilbert*
536 Washington Boulevard, *Higgin*
Dec. 22, 1892

Dear President Harper:

Spencer We want you on the
January program of our
Society of Biblical Research.

Will you not furnish a
paper, not exceeding 25
minutes in length, and will
you kindly send me the
subject by the first of the
new year?

Hoping for a favorable reply,

Very truly yours,

Georgett Gilbert.

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73 Sigourney St.
Hartford. Sept. 18, 1893.
My dear President Harper.

I am about to write an essay upon the subject of Bible Study in colleges, to be read at the coming Commencement of Hartford Seminary. And as the colleges of our country are indebted to you more than to anyone else for their present interest in Bible study, I venture to write to you asking for information regarding it. I should like to view the subject in all its phases before determining the line of treatment, and should therefore be glad for facts or statistics of any kind which bear upon it. I am especially desirous of knowing the attitude of

colleges in general at the present time
as compared with the past, and the
outlook for future Bible study in
colleges. I should also be glad to
know of those colleges which have
established separate professorships, of
the position which the larger colleges
have given it in their curricula, or of
new and improved methods of teaching.

May I ask what place Bible Study
holds in the colleges of the University
of Chicago? If you could refer me to
any articles in periodicals or magazines
bearing upon the subject in any of its
aspects, I should be very glad to know
of them. I shall be very grateful indeed
for any assistance you may be able to
give me, and trust that in asking this
favor I may not be presuming upon
the kindness which I have always received
from you. Very truly yours,
L. Rebecca Corwin.

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Stebbins

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Lancel

Rochester, N. Y., Dec. 14, 1892.

Dear President Harper:-

I believe you are an enthusiast over our English Bible. Will you direct me to one or more of your articles upon that subject, or if they are not readily accessible, to any other authority you can indorse. I have an appointment with the students of the Rochester University to speak to them about the English Bible. I want to represent it as the best exponent we have of the revealed will of God, to the end that they may sufficiently read it and trust it, even though they have not access to the Hebrew and Greek text.

Let me add my congratulations to those which you must be receiving by every mail, for the splendid start you have made in the great university, and believe me, always cordially yours,

Henry A. Stebbins, Pastor
Central Presbyterian Church

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Wm. B. E. Thompson
President Rochester University

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Grand Forks. N. D.
Mr. Spence

May 17th 94
Please see your letter

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Mr. Harper

President of Chicago University:—

Dear Sir:—

I am giving a course of lectures to my congregation, on the history of the Bible. My aim is to show them how we got our Bible, giving a description of some of the oldest MSS and the conditions under which they were discovered. I will write all the material I can gather to convey some idea of how the list was compiled.

The other day some one sent me a clipping from a paper containing the following. Professor Harris of Cambridge has reported to Professor Nestle of Tubingen that a palimpsest containing a complete Syrian

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Text of the four papers was discovered
in the Court of Mount Sinai. It is
said to be the oldest authenticated text
of the papers in existence!

Is this true? Would it occupy too much
of your time to tell me what you know of
this; or is it just a newspaper invention?
This will be a great favor to me inasmuch
as I am very much interested in matters of
this character at present. Kindly give
me as much information as the
matter as your valuable time will
permit.

Yours most gratefully
W. Hamilton Spence,
Pastor of Presbyterian Church.

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Fowler

WILLIAM SLOANE,
~~WILLIAM H. SALLMON~~, PRESIDENT.



Young Men's Christian Association
OF
Yale University.

HENRY T. FOWLER, GENERAL SECRETARY.

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Dwight Hall,
New Haven, Conn., June 12, 1894

My dear President Harper;-

In looking about the Dwight Hall Library a few days ago, I discovered a copy of Stuart on Proverbs, which evidently does not belong to us. I think I remember when you put it in the Library, some four or five years ago, for the use of one of your classes. I mail you the book with sincere regret that the rightful ownership has been overlooked for so long a time.

If you have a few minutes to spare, you may be interested in the history and present plans of one of your old pupils.

After my year of teaching under Dr. Keep at the Norwich Academy, I came back to Yale to become General Secretary of the Association.

HENRY T. FOWLER, GENERAL SECRETARY.

Young Men's Christian Association

of
Yale University.

Dwight Hall,

New Haven, Conn., June 12, 1894



WILLIAM BLOANE,
Western 11 - GARDNER, PRESIDENT.

Yale

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After my year of teaching under Dr. Fenn at the Norwich Academy,

I came back to Yale to become General Secretary of the Association.

The attractive work of this position has occupied my main thought and attention during the past two years. At the same time, I have managed to keep up a little work in the Seminary and was licensed to preach, this spring.

Two summers were given mainly to tutoring and one, quite largely to Hebrew. My term in this position ends July 1, for I must have next year clear for study. My present plan is to continue the long interrupted pursuit of the Doctor's degree, working with Professor Sanders, President Dwight and Professor Porter of the Seminary.

If the way opens, I shall probably become a teacher of Biblical Literature, rather than a minister. I found my year of teaching very interesting; and, having had the rare opportunity of spending seven years in the closest relations with undergraduates, I feel that probably I ought to continue to work among them. Then too, I want to do my little part toward advancing the more just and reasonable views of the Bible

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to which you first opened my eyes.

With constant gratitude for the great help and kind interest shown during the three years that I was in your classes, I remain

Very faithfully yours
Henry T. Fowler,

To

President William R. Harper,

Chicago University.

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With constant gratitude for the great help and kind interest shown during the three years that I was in your classes, I remain

Very faithfully,
Henry J. Barber

To
President William F. Harper,
Chicago University.

Bible Study

Cliff School of Theology

University of Denver

Stale

University Park, Colo.

7/3/94

President Harper,

Dear Sir:-

I write to say that I have discovered a most remarkable work. It is entitled "The Structure of the Bible" by Ivan Panin, Grafton, Mass., 1891-

When I am in perplexity, I turn to it and find immediate relief, especially on certain pages which incidentally refer to you. It is a work of less than 200 pp. If you have not seen it, and would like to glance at it, I will gladly loan it to you. It is too precious for a gift.

Yours truly,

W. F. Steele,

Please give exact and safe address,

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University Park, Colo.

President Hopkins,
Academy.

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W. V. Steele.

Please give exact and safe address.

Rust
The Palace
Midway Island
Plum Lake
Mo.

Evans
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August 30 1896

Dear Dr. Harper,

We are all gathered
in the sitting room of our House,
it being just after dinner.

Harper sits by my side struggling
with a letter to his grandmother
& joggling the table awful.

George sits on the other side
of the round table (which I made)
reading a ponderous work on
the region ~~East~~ of the Jordan.

The rest of our large family
are similarly engaged, i.e.
some writing & others reading.

Everything is now ready
for you & Mr. Rust. We

My dear Mr. Porter
The Palace
Michigan Island
Ottawa Lake
Nov.

August 30 1892

Dear Mr. Porter.

We are all gathered
in the sitting room of our house
in being just after dinner.
Porter, late of my side stepping
with a letter to the Commissioner
of the Interior, the table covered
with a letter to the other side
of the room a table (which I have)
is being a good deal of work in
the region East of the Jordan.
The rest of our large family
are sitting and engaged in
some writing & other work.
Everything is very well
for you & Mr. Porter.

will give you a fresh bed of pine tops
or Balsam twigs or huckle-
boughs as you prefer. We will
also guarantee that you
shall get, each of you,
a ten pound muskdeering
if you stay two days.

If you prefer the com-
forts & luxuries of the hotel
it is just around the point.
but I am bound to assure
you that the board is first
class on this island.

I trust you had a good
time at Cleveland.

We are all well & happy.
I wish you could see the fire
place George & I constructed.
Also the pier we made from
which we dive.

The weather was very fine

The weather was very fine
which we drive
also the high weather from
face along a constant
I wish your company the
We are all well & happy.
Time is pleasant.
I trust you had a good
class on this subject
you that the book is fine
has been bound to answer
it is just around the point
for the purpose of the book
If you prefer the con-
if you stay too long.
a trip and much change
at the end of your
also your letter that you
thought as good for the
will give you a fresh bed of fine top
of pleasant trip or household

here until our house was
built & just as we were ready
the first rain came.

We are having delight-
ful days now. & enjoying
them all. For about a week
we worked like slaves on the
Palace. One day we put in 14
hours of toil. Now we take
our ease in our new
& work or play as we please. Our
work indeed is now play.
We do it because it pleases
us.

All the party unite in
sending their regards.

Yours truly,
J. W. Goodspeed
care O. W. Sawyer
Minocqua
for Plum Lake. Wis.

Hence there was an attempt to find out
 as the letter left. After many other efforts
 are frustrated, the possession of my address
 of the former was of no service to the
 latter, hence they had already sent
 back water to currency that I could
 not be found.

We cannot count here in Europe (as in
 America) on the Post Office taking any
 trouble to look up people. The responsibility
 is thrown on the receiver and
 seems to make things all right for
 forward. And of course in a city
 of 40,000 people like Lausanne
 we cannot be expected to know where
 every stranger lives.
 I have now obtained the money on
 proving my identity, unfortunately I cannot
 send it over to London as she did not think
 it wise or desirable to come here as
 for the time being.

1, Rue Beau Sejour
 Lausanne Switzerland
 M. M.

My dear Dr. Harper:-

Dec 31st 1897

Goodspeed

To illustrate the necessity of taking all
 kinds of precaution with these
 most scrupulous European Post-
 office officials — your sending
 me the P.O. order for £100 is
 instructive! After your letter with
 the announcement that you had
 sent me the money had been in
 my hands two weeks and no
 money had appeared I concluded
 that something was wrong. So on
 the day before Christmas I went
 down to the Post Office here and
 inquired at the Money order de-
 partment. After some difficulties
 I found that whoever sent the order
 had sent it to G. H. Lausanne
 giving no street and number.

I have now obtained the money on
 proving my identity, unfortunately I cannot
 send it over to London as she did not think
 it wise or desirable to come here as
 for the time being.

The letter dept. & the money order dept.
 are distinct, the possession of my address
 by the former was of no service to the
 latter. Hence they had already sent
 back notice to America that I could
 not be found.

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 every stranger lives.

I have now obtained the money on
 proving my identity. Unfortunately I cannot
 hand it over to David as she did not think
 it wise on the whole to come to see us
 for the Xmas holidays.

I can send it to her if you wish. By this time
 I hope you have been able to get some trace of the
 money order. As soon as
 I have a chance I will
 write to you. I am
 very much obliged to
 you for the money order.
 I have now obtained the
 money on proving my
 identity. Unfortunately I
 cannot hand it over to
 David as she did not
 think it wise on the
 whole to come to see
 us for the Xmas
 holidays.

Dec 20th 1897

My Dear Dr. Harper:

Since writing you three days ago, I have pushed inquiries at Geneva with the following results:-

- 1° No office of the U.S. Express Co. has been found in Geneva. The agent of the American Express says that packages of the U.S. are sent on by mail from New York. It seems to me strange that the U.S. ex. co accepted a package to forward to a place where they had no office.
- 2° The P.O. at Geneva is in entire ignorance of any letter or package. My mother has been in Geneva for the last two months and has inquired for mail for "Woodward" at the P.O. but it is evident that they did not give her your letter.
- 3° If the letter or package reached Geneva, it remained this length of time in the office without being claimed.

some fate as the package. I have been from the post until a week ago in entire ignorance of the forwarding of the package to Geneva. Yet I wrote you that only the fact of a lost package could explain the state of things in which I have been during the last 3 months. The two letters received from you and that from "however" gave me not the least basis for the supposition nor did Dr Arnold's letter allude to it at all. Everything concerns the books which were to be shipped. 7. You can I think recognize that I am anxious about this file of manuscripts which represent some years of hard work and are the larger part of my working University material. Anything, therefore, which you can do at your end of the line to recover them, will be appreciated by me.

Yours very truly
J. V. Goodspeed

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the authorities say that they have been returned to New York.

4. Whatever may be the history of the past, these are the facts of the present. No letter or package addressed to me has as yet turned up in Geneva.

And it seems hardly ~~likely~~ ^{to be expected} that it is likely to be turned up in the future.

5. No one has told me what this package contained previously but I judge it was the entire contents of the ~~manuscript~~ Cabinet in the Recorder's office —.

It being sent before the special list which I sent on with the key arrives in Chicago.

6. It is strange yet, strange as it is, it is a fact that no hint or suggestion that such a package was sent to Geneva has ever been made in any letter either from you, or from any body cognizant of the facts, subsequent to the forwarding of the package. As the one letter accompanying the package was involved in the

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Enclosed 7.12
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CHICAGO

Sayner. Wis. Aug. 6 1898
Plum Lake

Beloved Doctor.

I was much pleased to receive your note telling me of the small number of delinquents left on last Monday morning. We all read with great interest of the Convocation & of the new gifts for the Elementary School & the Teachers College.

We have had a busy week, having transported lumber for a porch for the house  on Star Lake across two lakes & one half mile portage & built the porch which is 8 feet by 10 covered by a good roof. having also built a 30 foot fire. constructed a new bedstead, made a handsome couch for the parlor. laid a carpet on the parlor. screened all the right windows. put up the tent down by the landing place & made minor improvements in our surroundings.

We have had little time for fishing thus far. but have caught a few Bass & pickerel. These last we always return to the water for other fishermen to catch.

We are now tho' with our improvements & this

Week we shall fish, go after blue berries, & make
trips to the adjacent lakes.

The weather has been charming, much of the
time cloudy, during two days rainy & therefore
the more favorable for boating & fishing. We
have three good boats at our wharf, one on a
lake man by & a raft on Star. — a consider-
able fleet. On two other lakes Mr. Sayer
the landlord has boats which we can get at any
time.

I wish you could be persuaded
to try three or four days in this wilderness, but
suppose it is vain to hope for this.

Very truly yours,

C. W. Goodspeed

B. DOUGLASS,

P. O. BOX 1

שוב שנית משקקים:

TITUS 2:13.

Chicago, May 16th, 1889

Dear Dr. Harper:

Your favor of the 13th Inst. is at hand. I am sorry that I did not get the letter that you addressed to me last winter. I think you must have directed it to me at San Diego, while I was at the Hotel del Coronado, Coronado. I enjoyed my time there immensely and would like to go back to-morrow if I could; but I have about \$50,000 in my house and furniture here and I want to get rid of the house at least before I go. Then again I had a telegram last night from my son Will, who is in Boston, acquainting me with the fact that he had engaged himself to be married to a young lady whom we all know, so that this may detain me, and I rather think that I shall be here and hope to have the pleasure of meeting you next August.

I enjoy this lazy life that I am leading. I have just entered my 74th year, and I feel that I am entitled to all the rest that I care for. The time never hangs heavy with me, because I have my Hebrew bible and Greek testament as a resort. I commended two days ago reading Paul's letter to the Romans in the original and it is very delightful to me.

While I was absent I went very carefully through Jeremiah and the Lamentations, making my changes of translation, some of which I would like to talk to you about if you were here. Dr. Brookes continues to publish my

notes on Isaiah. I ran through the book very hastily in my leisure moments last summer, finishing them in about sixty days, and sent them to the Doctor. They are of course only useful to those who will take the trouble to refer to the bible and note the changes with some care.

Hoping to have the pleasure of seeing you before I return to California, I remain,

Yours very truly and always,

B. Douglas,
387 Ontario St.

Bible Study

Bangor Me. May 18 1889

Dear Prof. Harper;

I am pleased with Prof. Green's paper. Have not read it through, yet I sympathize with him very strongly with the opening pages. There is too much taken for granted ^{by most critics} and in fact the treatment of the text in the way the ~~the~~ theory needs to have it in order to carry the point. Nothing has so made me feel the ^{non}-inductive method as the treatment of the text by as sober a critic as Dillmann. I am almost tired of his commentary.

For several years I have told my students that probably the Pentateuch is a composite (but I have more than once felt that the work of the critics is rather barren work); I teach them too that I find no adequate reason to doubt that the ~~basis of the~~ Pentateuch is Mosaic ^{in origin} by whomsoever it was committed to writing, or put into this present form. The tradition which assigns to Ezra the reproduction of the entire O.T. under the inspiration of the Spirit of God contains and conceals, I think, a truth, but just what that truth is we can but conjecture.

This warm weather is very refreshing to me. I am planning to take a horseback ride for ten weeks this summer. I expect to be myself in the Fall and as bold as a lion for work.

Yours Cordially J. B. Denio

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A. B. Jones

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