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To *Dr. William R. Harper*

President University of Chgo

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I would esteem it an honor if you would be my guest either at Southern Hotel or Saint Louis Club while you are in St Louis.

A. J. R. Skiff

Received at Chicago.

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FIELD COLUMBIAN MUSEUM
CHICAGO.

Shiff.

Chicago, Ill., Nov. 30th, 1894.

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University of Chicago,
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By direction of the Executive Committee of the Field Columbian Museum, I have the honor to extend to you the facilities of this Institution for purposes of class instruction.

The Anthropological, Geological, Botanical and Zoological Departments are now thoroughly established and in charge of Curators of admitted ability and prominence in their special sciences.

It is the intention of the Trustees of this Institution to make the Museum peculiarly adapted for, and attractive to, the teacher and the student. Any of the exhibition halls or the lecture hall, may be at your special disposal, and any examples or objects, specimens or series of specimens indicated by you, may be taken from the cases for inspection and study under very simple restrictions.

Furthermore, if the Museum is notified in advance that a class or any particular number of students anticipate visiting certain Departments on certain days, I would take much pleasure in requesting the Curator of that Department or those Departments, to be present and render your officers of instruction any possible assistance.

You have probably been advised that teachers, scholars, officers of instruction, faculty members and students are admitted to the Museum free at all times, and I beg to assure you, it is the wish of the Founder and of the Trustees of the Institution, to supplement that privilege with all of the cordial co-operation it is possible for the officers of the Museum to manifest.

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St. Louis, Mo., U. S. A., **Sept. 30th, 1901.**

Dr. William R. Harper,
President of the University of Chicago,
Chicago, Ill.

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My dear Doctor:--

I beg to enclose to you the result of the fugitive and hurried attention I have been able to give to the form of the suggested arrangement under which the Field and the Chicago institutions may possibly be more closely associated.

I send this to you that you in turn may have it under consideration until Wednesday or Thursday morning when I hope to be in Chicago and subject to your convenience for a final meeting upon this matter.

I am, dear Dr. Harper, with highest esteem,

Yours very truly,

A. H. Staff

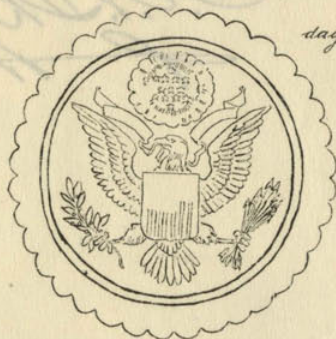


By the President of the United States of America.
A Proclamation.

Whereas notice has been given me by the Louisiana Purchase Exposition Commission, in accordance with the provisions of Section 9 of the Act of Congress, approved March 3, 1901, entitled "An Act To provide for celebrating the one hundredth anniversary of the purchase of the Louisiana territory by the United States by holding an international exhibition of arts, industries, manufactures, and the products of the soil, mine, forest, and sea in the city of St. Louis, in the State of Missouri," that provision has been made for grounds and buildings for the uses provided for in the said Act of Congress:

Now, therefore, I, William McKinley, President of the United States, by virtue of the authority vested in me by said Act, do hereby declare and proclaim that such International Exhibition will be opened in the city of St. Louis, in the State of Missouri, not later than the first day of May, nineteen hundred and three, and will be closed not later than the first day of December thereafter. And in the name of the Government and of the people of the United States, I do hereby invite all the nations of the earth to take part in the commemoration of the Purchase of the Louisiana Territory, an event of great interest to the United States and of abiding effect on their development, by appointing representatives and sending such exhibits to the Louisiana Purchase Exposition as will most fitly and fully illustrate their resources, their industries, and their progress in civilization.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed.



Done at the City of Washington, this twentieth day of August, one thousand nine hundred and one, and of the Independence of the United States, the one hundred and twenty-sixth.

William McKinley

By the President:

John Hay
Secretary of State.

P L A N N o. 1- Co-operation.

Confirming Field Columbian Museum privileges already at the disposition of the University of Chicago, as follows:

Free admission to the Museum upon pay days for all Trustees, officers, professors, lecturers and students of the University, upon the passes of the President of the University, or matriculation cards.

Access by professors and students of the University at all times to the Libraries, to the study collections, to the herbarium and laboratories of the Museum, and, under the supervision of the Curator of the Department, to all specimens on exhibition or in storage.

The privilege to the University of closing any exhibition hall in the Museum in which University class lectures upon material contained therein may be delivered to students.

The exclusive use, by the University, of the Museum Lecture Hall at any time during the hours when the Museum is open to the public, except Saturday afternoons during the months of March, April, September, and October, when the Museum Lecture Courses are in progress.

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The necessary carpenter and janitor assistance to be furnished by the Museum to open cases and handle specimens, upon the requisition of the University professors.

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P L A N N o . 3 - Consolidation.

Change the name of the Museum to the Marshall Field Museum of Natural History, of the University of C^{hi}cago.

Create a Board of seven Trustees; three from the present Field Columbian Museum Board, three to be named by the University of Chicago, and one to be the President of the University.

Curators to be appointed by the University of C^{hi}cago. Associate and Assistant Curators to be appointed from the present Field Columbian Museum staff. Other employes to be continued or supplanted by the new Board.

The present museums of the University of C^{hi}cago to be continued for demonstration only, additions necessary to extend them to greater efficiency to be drawn from the duplicates in the Museum.

The Herbarium, the Paleontological collection, and the Archaeology now on exhibition, or intended for exhibition at the University, to be united with similar collections in the new Museum.

Unite the printing and illustration section of the Museum with the University of Chicago Press.

Discontinue the Museum Lecture Courses and add the Museum to the list of University Extension stations.

All expense of mutually desirable field work to be divided between the University and the Museum, a representative from each institution participating, one for study and notes and the other for the collection of material.

The following figures are submitted in connection with the plan for absolute consolidation:

Valuation of Museum exhibits,	\$2,500,000.00
Valuation of furniture, equipment,	
and Library,	500,000.00
Cash and securities,	500,000.00
Capitalized income,	125,000.00
Total,	<u>\$3,625,000.00</u>
Cash to be further provided	
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P L A N N o. 2 - Affiliation.

The corporate and administrative organization of the Museum to be continued.

The President of the Faculty of the University to be elected one of the Trustees of the Museum.

The University to nominate honorary Curators of the different Departments of the Museum, subject to the confirmation of the Museum Board of Trustees. These Curators to be either superior or subordinate to the active Curators of the Museum as shall, in each case, be decided by the Trustees of the Museum.

Such privileges or rights to be granted to the faculty and students of the University as the honorary Curators of the Museum may recommend, subject to the approval of the Museum Trustees.

The libraries of the Museum to be theoretically united with the Library of the University and considered a branch thereof.

All expeditions within the scope of the Museum to be participated in by representatives of both institutions, if desired, with a division of expenses and material gathered, to be determined upon in each case.

The Lecture Courses of the Museum to be under the direction of the University, in order to best supplement the courses of study at the University.

A University Class Room to be provided in each Department of the Museum for the exclusive use of the University.

The publications of the Museum to be edited by the University and issued from the University Press.

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A University Glass Room to be provided in each Department of the Museum for the exclusive use of the University.

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Expend for new building,	\$1,875,000	
Endowment,	<u>5,000,000</u>	<u>\$6,875,000.00</u>

Annual income on \$5,000,000		
at 4%	\$ 200,000	
Admissions, members, and		
other receipts, annually,	<u>50,000</u>	\$ 250,000.00

Annual pay-roll in new building,		
reducing cost of labor,		
maintenance and protection,		
and increasing the scientific staff,	\$ 100,000	
Purchases, new installation,		
field work, and incidental expenses, per annum,	<u>150,000</u>	<u>\$ 250,000.00</u>

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Dated

St Louis Mo. Jan 28th 1902

To

W. R. Harper.

University of Chicago, Chicago Ill.

Please write me the different Countries Governments or places Ireland is to visit and what his other duties will be.

F. J. V. Skiff.



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To

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March 4th, 1902.

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St. Louis, Mo.

My dear Mr. Skiff:-

I am in receipt of your letter concerning the Paleontological department. I am very glad to know that you are in sympathy with the suggestion, and I should be exceedingly pleased if it were possible for us to bring this about sometime during the spring, in order that we might have Mr. Williston here next year. Do you think it would be possible to carry the point through the Executive Committee during the early spring?

Hoping that you are well, I remain


Yours very truly,

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CHICAGO.

St. Louis, Missouri, March 22, 1902.



Dr. William R. Harper,
President University of Chicago,
Chicago, Illinois.

My Dear Mr. President:-

Replying to your favor of March 19, I beg to state that the President of the Museum did not feel warranted in acting upon the suggestion with reference to Professor Williston without the sanction of the Executive Committee, more especially as such action anticipates the creation of a new department. Owing to the absence of several members of the Executive Committee it is, unfortunately, a matter of some doubt as to when a quorum can be found in Chicago. May I ask if I am to gather from your communication that the total salary of Professor Williston, in case the arrangement is made, will be \$3000.00, one half of which will borne by each institution with a division of time? This is a suggestion that I did not gather from your conversation with me at the Club, and my recommendation to the President was to utilize and pay for all of Professor Williston's services. The modified proposition might be more easy of accomplishment. Will you please set me right about this.

With high esteem, I am,

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Columbia University
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DEPARTMENT OF ANTHROPOLOGY

Feb. 3, 1914.

President Harry Pratt Judson,
University of Chicago,
Chicago, Ill.

My dear Sir,--

I happened to hear a short time ago that Dr. Berthold Laufer of the Field Museum of Natural History may be called away from Chicago. Director Bode of the Royal Museum in Berlin told me last summer that he wanted to get him for the Berlin Museum, and I understand that a foreign and an American university are trying to get him. Will you pardon me if I write to you in regard to this subject, which seems to be one of very great importance for American science.

It seems to my mind that the study of Oriental civilization is one of the subjects that ought to receive closest attention in our country. Apparently the subject is far removed from the ordinary interests of our every-day life, but I think to the student of the history of mankind it is perfectly obvious that a clearer understanding of the achievements of the people of the Far East and of their needs is of the very greatest interest to us. It is not only the knowledge of Eastern languages that we need, but we ought to understand also the rôle that Eastern civilizations

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Department of Anthropology
in the City of New York
Columbia University

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Since 1899 Dr. Laufer has been connected with various American institutions, -- with the American Museum of Natural History, Columbia University, and the Field Museum of Natural History. In Columbia he was a member of my Department, and not only myself, but all my colleagues in the Oriental Departments, feel even at this day the loss which we sustained through his leaving for Chicago. On two expeditions to China he accumulated an enormous amount of study material, with which he ought to remain in closest contact, because he is the life and the soul of these collections.

It seems to my mind a pity that a man of his calibre and interests should not be in a position to train students who might follow in his footsteps, and I venture the suggestion that the interests of science, and perhaps of the scientific institutions of Chicago, might be best subserved if Dr. Laufer could find an opportunity to resume his activity as university teacher. I believe that, owing to his presence in Chicago, you have an opportunity

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Henry Osborn

Laufer

Chicago, February 11, 1914.

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Your favor of the 3d inst.
is received. I am of course glad to have you
bring the matter of Dr. Laufer to my attention.
Unfortunately our arrangements for next year will
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I should be very glad to consider the matter.

Thanking you, I am,

Very truly yours,

H.P.J. - L.

Professor Franz Boas,
Columbia University,
New York City.

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Chicago, February 11, 1914.

Dear Professor Boas:-

Your favor of the 2d inst.
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bring the matter of Dr. Lanier to my attention.
Unfortunately our arrangements for next year will
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The University of Chicago
The Ogden Graduate School of Science

OFFICE OF THE DEAN

February 9, 1914.

My dear President Judson:

I think Dr. Laufer is a scholarly, sound man. His ideas and standards are German, and I am not sure that he would be successful with young students, but with mature students I think he would be likely to do well. The Department of Geography would be very glad to have such courses as he might give on China and the Chinese, the subject in which, I believe, he is best posted.

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R. T. Salisbury

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