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Prof. H. P. Judson
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Sir:

The Russian Revolution has freed a people and a race and has made more secure the foundation of liberty for all men. It is an event whose magnitude can hardly yet be estimated.

The birth of FREE RUSSIA has been celebrated throughout the United States and many messages of rejoicing and congratulation have been sent to those directing the course of the new government. But generous, liberty-loving Americans will welcome, we are sure, the opportunity now to encourage in some more substantial form those who in Russia are to-day facing the difficulties of making secure that which has been gained.

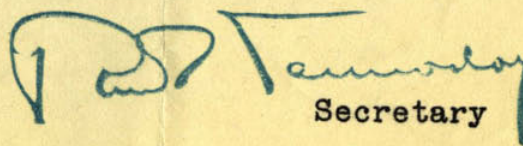
Accordingly, The Society of The Friends of Russian Freedom proposes to raise, as speedily as possible, a fund for those political exiles who, returning by thousands from Siberia, find themselves in temporary but pressing need of financial assistance.

Professor Paul N. Miliukoff, Minister of Foreign Affairs, to our offer to raise such a fund to be administered by a committee in Petrograd to be appointed by him, has cabled: "Thanks for the suggestion. Accept most heartily".

We believe that this plan will meet with immediate and generous response from a very large number of Americans and that thus may be shown some small measure of the great esteem in which we in America, hold the survivors of that host of men and women who have sacrificed their all for the cause that has at last triumphed.

Checks and money orders payable to Hamilton Holt, Treasurer, should be sent to Paul Kennaday, Secretary, 70 Fifth Avenue, New York.

Yours very truly,


Secretary

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May 7, 1917.

Miss Inez Lapham,
President's Office,
Faculty Exchange,

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Samuel N. Harper

May 5, 1917.

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Chicago, May 9, 1917

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I appreciate the purposes of the Society, but I am so more than absorbed in existing activities that I could not take on anything else.

With best wishes, I am,

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