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President Harper,
Chicago University,

My Dear Sir:

There is a very important question now before our Board of Trustees. My inquiry of you is to throw light on our problem. Are you administering any branch school of any grade under your University Charter at a distance from Chicago? How you investigated the question as to whether under your charter you could locate and operate a school or special College at some other place than in Chicago where your University is located? If not, nevertheless what would be your opinion upon the question? Funds to establishing an Industrial College at Decatur, Ills., under the Control of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church and to be operated under the charter of Lincoln University, have been contributed. The question has been raised by

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some lawyers as to whether Lincoln University can operate a College now situated at Lincoln, Ills., where the seat of the institution must be under its Charter. The Charter was granted in 1866, and is a duplicate of the Charter of Northwestern University, Evanston, granted in 1855. Provision is made in the Charter for establishing Colleges in the University and a special provision for just such an Industrial College as is proposed to be established and equipped at Decatur under Lincoln University. The question hinges upon whether Lincoln University can establish said College at another place than Lincoln, under its Charter.

Any light you give me on the question will be most gratefully acceptable.

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Some days ago we received information
from a gentleman in Lincoln, Illinois,
that a College had been started at
Lincoln, Ill., where the seat of the institution
would be, under the name of "The Lincoln
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granted in 1865, and is substantially the
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University can establish this College at our
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