Mnited States Senate,

Cleveland, Ohio.

August 21, 1902.

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Mr. William R. Harper,

University of Chicago,

Chicago, Ill.

My Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your letter of the 20th instant and note what you say of the Republican mass meeting to be held September 13th.

While I appreciate very much the compliment paid me in the invitation extended, it will be impossible for me to accept. I am not at all well, and fear I shall be able to do but little in the campaign this Fall.

We have an important contest in my own state and county, and what time I may be able to give to the campaign should be devoted to this state.

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