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Newton Centre, Mass.
July 17th 87.

Dear Brother:—

I received both of your letters and return the agreement duly signed as soon as possible.

The more I think of it the more I would prefer the Yale position next year. I wish that you would bring to bear on Edgren all the pressure you can to have me released.

I have already had Beecher's Hebrew Lexicography three times. I had little time for preparation but took up that part of the work

which Beecher could not and would not, vs. the Cynades, esp. the Assyrian. I was almost worked to death for those three days, having 5 hrs. each day in the recitation room.

Everything is going along very nicely. The Intermediate are down very well and the Assyrian speedily will.

I received the 2d part of Smith's Suburban Pastorate last night. It is not any too valuable.

The weather here is rather cool just now — in fact has been ever since you left.

I have heard from Jim three times since he is getting along very nicely at his new boarding house.

I suppose that you will be here Thursday or Friday.

Your brother,

Frank.

Give my kindest regards to Ella & the children

3. Upper Bedford Place,
June 11th 1892. Russell = Square.
London. W.

Dear Brother:-

I have not heard from you for over a month. Neither have I had any papers. I have heard, however, of Capps' appointment. I am very glad of this. He is a good man. Also of Tarbell's. Is he head-man? He is rather an archaeologist than a classical scholar, is he not? Also of Pres. Chamberlain of the Univ. of Wisconsin. I don't know him, but he must be a great catch. Robertson writes that the dormitory and the lecture hall are about finished — that the $1.000.000 is ours, etc. This is splendid.

I have seen a great deal of Griffin of late, and the more I see of him, the more he impresses me. He is a splendid fellow and a great success here. He has written you, but he gave little of his history, so he tells me. I asked him to send me some history and it came this morning. It was not intended for you. I was to take some points from it, but I have decided to enclose it.

He has the most magnificent slides I have ever seen — and by the thousand. He could easily make his salary.

He tells me that he would want £500 $2500

guaranteed. He had about $560–580 this year. He has a wife & two children. My advice is simply this. I would take him. He is pleasant, willing and desirous to do any amount of work. He has things which no other man on earth has and which we did get. He is really an American with all the enthusiasm of an American. He has splendid recommendations, and he can make his salary for the Univ. Of course, your letter to him was very indefinite. He tells me that he has written plainly about money. He will go for less than he is getting here, because he sees a future in the work. And lastly, he is the son of the most important Baptist layman in England and the election would be popular here. He is just the kind of man that you like, and I have no hesitancy in vouching for him.

My work is coming on. It will be out July 15th, but Part II. must go through also. I will see Luzac on Monday and write you on Wednesday.

What about Luzac & Co. for the London agents? They are the best. The U. of P. has made them their agents. They take a personal interest in everything and they are the coming publishers. They represent the India Office and they keep up a monthly bulletin after the style of Trübners, to which firm they originally belonged.

I sent a review of W. Raul. last week. Will send another of "The Tell-el-Amarna Tablets" by next post.

My book is advertised for the 15th of July. I send you the bulletin. Budge is on my side now — also Bezold, Strassmaier, etc. I am invited everybody at the Museum pooh-pooh at present.

Decide about Luzac soon. I see by Academy that D.C. Heath & Co. have been made Univ. publishers.

When does the Univ. run officially? on Sept. 28th or Oct. 1st? You ought to have the President of the U.S.A., the governor of Ill., senators, mayors etc take part. It could be worked.

The Oriental Society meets here on the 7th to 12th of Sept. I have not joined. I am afraid that it will be a farce. Will not join until success is guaranteed. If I do join, I would like to have official papers as U. of P.'s delegate.

The Amer. Congress is sure to be a failure. It seems that Haupt, Gottheil & Jastrow are the chief men — as at least Hilprecht writes to Bezold. They would kill anything. I won't join till later, if ever. None of the Assyriologists will have anything to do with it and very few of the other Semitic men. They don't take it seriously here. I am sorry that you did not see Gore's Iraq Blake had out. It

would have been a success then.

Haupt will receive very cold treatment here from Bruce, Byrd, Strassmeier, etc. He has been talking about you. You are "no scholar" and he has "you under his thumb", etc., etc. I am simply waiting for him. I have a grand exposé in readiness for him, if he says anything more about me. It is all planned and the Br. Mus. will help the affair through. He is a disgrace and people should know it. He has talked a great deal about you, but to no effect, as he is not taken seriously here or anywhere else, except by Ward, G. F. Moore, etc.

Let me hear from you. Please send those two or more about which I wrote last week. I will need it July 1st to arrange for my steamer. Do tell Robertson to send me the papers. Have not had one for over a month.

Response posted.

Your brother,

Frank

Griffin does not care about title. He will be content with assist. Professor.

Dear Brother

I have written to Arnolt about his Courses as follows:

"I am glad that you are to have the promotion. With regard to Courses let me speak plainly.

1) Goodspeed has History and Religion.

2) Price has Sumerian, Lexicography based on Assyrian, O.T. and the Monuments.

3) You ask for O.T. and the Monument and Geography

4) This leaves me who am supposed to have the chair of Assyriology

with philology only and only a part of the philological work.

Things stand so. I shall feel at liberty to offer anything in the Assyrian line with the exception of History and Religion. The field is mine. So it has been in the past.

With this preface and I write plainly so that there will be no mistake in the future, I am willing that you offer the courses suggested by you. In fact, I shall be glad to have you do so.

Why not give your courses when I am away? However, whatever you arrange with the president will suit me."

I have quoted my letter to Arnolt, i.e. the part about his Courses.

I am glad he is to have promotion and I am willing for him to have almost anything he wants. There will always be something left. I do feel, however, that the whole field is mine as the whole field of Egyptology belongs to Breasted. If others wish to enter the field I do not object.

I shall have some Notes for July Hebraica. Also the Johns' article about which I wrote.

I have some big schemes to discuss with you when I come back. We must do a lot of work at Chicago in Semitics.

I suggest that Arnolt review Johns and Thompson. It should be done at Chicago.

Your brother

R.F.

March 20.

N.B I have a new Series with Legacies. I want a volume from you later on in this Series. They will take anything Cuneiform, texts, etc. etc.

I am not at all disturbed at the Kent=Sanders and the Jastrow=Grotthiel Series: The B.M. has a Series on too but this is confidential. They will republish all the historical texts in cuneiform.

I believe in letting these outside men shift for themselves. We at Chicago should not do their work.

When they get their plans we must and can go them one — about a dozen — better. These men are simply anxious to edit other people's work. Let them do their own work. Both Zolkiel and Jastrow are careless philologically.

April 15th, 1902.

Dear Arnolt

I was glad to hear from you and I hasten to reply.

1. I had a letter from Jastrow ten days ago asking for a copy of the Appleton book and wanting to review it for AJSL. He did not mention his Series.

My advice for both you and Smith is this: If you care to do the work, do so, but do not make any contract which would keep you from doing similar work in another Series. In other words, during the next ten years we

must all work together get the U. of C. and for the U. of C. I shall want both you and Smith to help me in the McMillan Series and I shall give full credit for it in every way possible. With the Faculty which we have at C. we can turn out an immense amount of work of the best kind. In a word, if you can do the text for Jastrow on the side, very well, but I would not bind myself not to do it again. If you are not anxious to do it, I think I would not. You will have a Chance in a better Series where you will receive more consideration and recognition. All this Applies to Smith also.

2. Am glad that you are to review Thompson and Johns.

3. Part VI is in the bindery, and will reach Chicago in about a month. Of course you are to have a copy.

4. Part VII is nearly finished in MS. Before this reaches you all of it will be in the printers' hands, and 80-90 pp. in type. It will be off the press about June first.

5. Part VIII is in hand and will appear about September first.

I have a lot of schemes for next year. The B.M. people will work with us and us only.

Hoping you are well and with kind regards

Very sincerely yours

R. F. H.

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But, I do think that we men at Chicago should stick together for Chicago. We have our own work, and we can organize more. Let us do our own work under our own auspices and let other people in other places do their own work and not edit ours. It is the same old story of Kent and Sanders. They wanted me to edit — do the work — for their series. They cannot do it themselves. Gotheil knows no Assyrian. I turned down a lot of money and a good publisher (Scribners) in refusing to have anything to do with K. & S. I believe in sticking together at Chicago. We have not done it in the past but there is still a future. I have learned this from the B. M.

April 15th, 1902.

Dear Brother.

I received your letters yesterday and I hasten to reply.

1. I have been talking with Dr. Budge about a subject for the Decennial paper. We have not definitely settled on a subject but it will not be Letters and I shall have texts, transliterations translations and notes. I shall decide within two weeks and let you know at once. I shall want the time limit (about September first I understand) in which to prepare my work.

2. Capps' scheme about separate volumes seems to be a good one if you can find ten good volumes. I shall be very glad indeed to furnish one if it is desired.

He wrote me at length about it but it will be necessary for me to know definite details very soon.

3. Part VII is almost finished. The printer has 100 of the 120 pp. and 50 pp. are in type! When the MS. reaches you all the MS. will be in the printers' hands and 80-90 pp. in type. It will be off the press June first.

4. Part VIII is in hand. I have 25 plates ready. It will be a beauty and will make complete the letters of all the scribes in the other Parts. VIII will be the Volume I shall give to the Capps' scheme if it goes through.

5. I hope that you have already sent the order for VIII. I must have it and if you have no order for it, just make one. I shall begin to hand in copy in three to four weeks. I explained in my last letter that I thought the $800 for VI and VII would go a long way towards paying for VIII.

6. About Semitic Series:

1) Sanders & Kents' does not bother me in the least. It is on a different plan from ours.

2) Arnolt wrote me about a Semitic Series by Jastrow & Gottheil. This also does not bother me. Neither one of these men is a careful philologist or a writer of decent English. I have no objection to Arnolt and Smith writing for this Series. I have written Arnolt at length. Ask him to show you the letter.

I want to make my Assyr Series broad enough to take in anything Edgar Goodspeed may wish to publish—Ethiopic, Syriac, etc.

We must pull together as a Semitic faculty at Chicago. They are doing it Elsewhere and even in the Museums—British, Berlin, etc.

7. Mathews told me that his Series in the Biblical World would run pretty well through the year.

I cannot furnish the prayers and hymns now for two reasons

a) the texts with corrections and additions are about to appear soon from the B. M. (This is confidential)

b) I must wait for Jensen's treatment in KB. which is also any work.

In other words if I used my Appleton translations it would not be right as the whole text is being reworked textually and with commentaries.

I shall give this series next year when I can do them well and republish them in pamphlet form.

Let me hear from you plain

Your brother

R. F.

people. They stick together and they turn out lots of work and in their own Series and not edited by other people who cannot do the work themselves.

This year has made me more loyal to Chicago than ever. We should not scatter our efforts but work to a plan. While I have absolutely no objection to Arnold's or Smith's working for Jastrow, I think it would be better for them and us all to do our own Series and volumes and articles Etc., Etc.

Francis Harper writes from London of his activities in Europe. Wants to know where "Pa" will be when he returns to America. Has "a thousand things to tell" W. R. H.

H

1894?

Harper

London, c/o Luzac & Co.,
46, Great Russell St.
W.C.

Dear Brother:-

Your letter of Nov. 8th came this AM. I was glad to hear from you again. Was also glad to hear that things were going on so well at the Univ. during my absence.

(1) The casts have been ordered & some of them will be shipped DEC. 1st. Miss Arnott suggested the purchase of some casts of cylinders. I had already given an order for the 100 best casts of cylinders — weeks before his letter came.

(2) I have ordered about $70 worth of books — a fine lot. They are being bound. Most of them are ready now. A box of them will be sent about DEC. 1st.

I have a fine little working American library.

I have spent a great deal of time over it. A great many things were hard to get.

(3) What about the Library (Naples)?

(4) 108 — out of 112 pp. — of my second Part are in type and 24 run off. I am preparing the indexes. It will be a fine thing.

(5) I have a 20-22 p. article — 18 of text in the next no. of Bezold's Zeitschrift. — also 3-4 p. review of Winckler's latest text. In all probability, Strassmaier will also review my letters. — In fact it will be a R.H. no.

(6) Have some material also for Hebraica.

(7) The Baptist Publication Society rejected my MS. Am glad of it. Lazar wants it very much. May send it to him.

(8) Bezold & King of the Museum are to cooperate with me on the Series of transliterations & translations.

(9) Will sail about Dec. 9 — at the latest the 16th.

Where will Pa be then — at home or Chicago?

(11) Send you Lyacs list. It has big ades. of Biblical World & Hebraica.

(12) Many thanks for advancing Dec salary.

(13) I have a thousand things to tell you. Have learned more this trip than I ever knew before.

In haste as the mail goes in an hour. Your brother

Hanks.

privileges.

10. Part VII will be out June first. I have almost completed my texts and shall begin proofreading in a few days.

Let me hear from you very soon and send the order so that there will be no delay. I shall need all the time possible

Your brother

R.F.

N. B. What about the departmentals and my part in the Decennial? If I do anything I must start it as a side issue at once.

April eighth, 1902

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Dear Brother

1. I send you by this post the first copy of Part VI of my Assyrian Letters. I finished my work on it two weeks ago, but the printers were delayed on account of the rush of Easter work. It is a good volume, I think.

2. I send also the second part of John's article for the July Hebraica.

3. I have now 30 pp. of the proofs of Part VII. Before this reaches you another 30 pp. will be in print.

4. I am going ahead with Part VIII. I can finish it nicely by Sept. 10th which is the approximate date on which I shall sail for America.

5. I wish you would send me at once an order for Part VIII. It should read like the others for VI and VII, copies of which you have in the office. They were made between the 15th and 25th of August 1901.

6. This order for VIII will not come due until October 1903, and the money voted for VI and VII ($400 each) will pretty nearly cover the deficit on the three (VI., VII and VIII) It is necessary, however, to have such an official order to show to the printers, Messrs. Harrisons.

7. I must say that my work has come on well. I am mightily encouraged tonight and I was glad to get the sheets of VI. I have never worked harder. It is day and night now. The weather is good; my colds have about left me and my eyes seem better. In other words, I am keen to move ahead.

8. Stevenson comes about May 15th. I think that I shall give him a section of Letters — a class, the so called anadinan class — for the first Volume of my Suzae Series. I shall send you a lot of names for this series in a week or two and I should like your suggestions as to title.

9. I shall give you the results of a long talk with Budge and King in my next. They are very good to me. In fact no one else here has any

N.B. I have received the 2d part of Johns' article on Proper Names. He has some fine things in it. There will be time to send me a proof of it, as it is for July no. I am sending MS. by this post.

Dear Brother

(1) I have seen Mr W.H. Hudson (not Holden as you wrote) and he will write you in a few days. Your letter to him was on the Etruria and only reached him today. I think he will come and I mentioned $2000 with which sum he seemed perfectly satisfied. He seems to be a good fellow. If he does not come on $2000, $2500 will bring him. He did not mention more than $2000.

Publication

(2) Volume VI comes off the press tomorrow. I shall send you the sheets when I get them. It is a good part and I am glad that it is finished.

(3) I have Part VII well in hand. I have given the printers 60 pages. I hope to finish it – through the press – by June 1st at the latest the 15th.

(4) If Stevenson were not coming over I think I would return July 1st or 15th and go to the country. The influenza, bronchitis, eyes and weather have pulled me down. I have worked hard and am tired. However I shall feel better in a few weeks. The weather is better even now.

(5) What about Decennial work in our Department?

(6) I shall go on with Letters after getting VII off but do not think I can see VIII through the press. I may be able to do. I should like to do it.

(7) Stevenson's thesis is being printed in book form. I have the proofs to read. Am just returning a lot of them to him.

(8) One of Delitzsch's students – a Canadian – is here. He cannot do anything. I am sorry for him but he should not have gone to Germany.

(9) I have not written Pa and Ma frequently of late because I knew they were with you. Tell them I am well now. I shall write soon to them.

(10) No! I do not get the University Record. You might order it sent. I could make good use of 3-6 Annual Registers. I could place them well.

Let me hear from you frequently

March 20th. Your brother

R.F

Dear Brother. ✓

I. I have heard from Mr Capps and Mr Miller about the Decennial Volumes and I shall try to carry out their plans.

II. Part VIII is coming on well. 119 of the 120 plates are in type and 115 are corrected for the first time. I hope to finish by Aug. 16–20.

III. I see no chance for a paper (Decennial) from this side of the water. I shall have no time and if I had I could not work. In other words my eyes are played out and I

V. Miss Dudley, W.B. Owen and Mrs Owen, Barton of Bryn Mawr, Dyer of Harvard, Mitchell of Boston, etc. are here. Clay of Pennsylvania was here two weeks ago.

VI. I am too tired to write more. I seem to be down today. I have a cold and a bit of low fever. The weather is cold enough for fires. Chicago weather is charming compared with that of London. I shall write again soon when in a better mood physically & mentally. I want to get this off 1) to tell you that Part VIII is practically finished & 2) that official notification should be sent to Hamburg & to me at once. Your brother

July 29. R.F.

am getting too tired mentally to do good work. If Part VIII were not practically finished I would let it go.

IV. I think it unnecessary from a University standpoint for me to go to Hamburg, and from a personal standpoint I have no desire to go. However I shall go and will you send the Congress authorities official notification that Breasted and I are to be Delegates from the U. of C. and will you also send me an official note — giving full titles etc. — appointing me a representative. Unless we go in state so to speak the Univ. will receive no benefit. These should be sent by return mail as it is getting very late.

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THE UNIVERSITY CLUB,
INDIANAPOLIS.

Jan 20 '06

My dear Com. Harper:

If some of us have not given expression to our sympathy in these last days, it is not because we have not felt it. It is perhaps partly because all expression seemed superfluous, but we have been silent. For the whole community seemed to be mourners. So I am sure that no word is

inspiration, we all see and strive that he has done for us and what he has been to us.
It is fitting and well that we gather
here today for this service.

Let us pray.

Almighty God,

needed to tell you how we all
sympathize and sorrow with you.

Our sorrow is both personal and
official. Probably no man, in our
time position, ever enjoyed the
confidence, and the personal regard of
his faculty, to a greater degree
than you both. Though we have
long known the inevitable, we have
not become reconciled to it, and
in spite of the general feeling of loyalty
to the institution which pervades our
ranks, it seems difficult to think
of our institutional life without his
guidance. Even when we have
learned to go on without his

I know how sad the whole University atmosphere will be now, and I am so sorry for you all.

But it is wonderful, isn't it, that in such a short lifetime, a man can make such a place for himself, that a whole country feels it impossible to find any adequate successor.

You have my deepest sympathy - and I wish I could show it more actively - Very sincerely yours

Rhoda Jeannette Kepp

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Thursday

Dear R. F.

I have been thinking of you ever since the news came last night of your brother's death. The loss comes very close to us all, and I feel deeply, for that one of my most valued friends had been lost. I don't know whether the personal interest of Pres. Harper

has the effect on many of the
clients that it did on me - but
I have always felt that he
really cared for me and that
I could honestly claim my
share in him. I had a
most beautiful note from
him this Christmas, in answer
to a Christmas note I sent -
I was so surprised and
touched that he should make
the effort to answer it.
I feel that it has been a
great loss and shock as he
was had such an ex-
cellent, and from
I know the memory of his
career, a well-rounded and
beneficent, will always be a
pride and power of faith
and comfort.

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50 Windsor Ave., Hartford, Conn.,
Jan. 12th, 1906

My dear Professor Harper.

Will you permit me to express to you my most sincere and respectful sympathy in the great loss that has befallen you and your University?

President Harper and I met very seldom, but in different matters always we had a good deal of intercourse and it was intercourse that I valued very highly. I learned to know his kindliness and helpfulness towards those who were entering on the scholar's path and that appreciation which he was so quick to extend and which is not always to be found

by the beginner. Of his work and place as the founder of a great University I need not speak. Unless all analogies and dejus are broken history will care for that. Nor of his courage and endurance in these latter sad days. He truly had put beneath his feet strepitum Acheronti avari. — Yet it will always remain with me that with his ebbing strength he had patience to answer my letters.

Again with most hearty sympathy Yours most Sincerely.

Duncan B. Macdonald.

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717 Amherst St.
Portland, Ore

Mr. Robt. F. Harper, Ph.D.
Chicago, Ill.

My dear Dr. Harper:—

The evening papers bring us the distressing news of the death of President Harper this afternoon. With multitudes of others who have had the privilege of being his students, I mourn to-night as one who has suffered a personal loss. Now I should prize the opportunity of joining the throng who shall pay the last silent tribute to his memory by following his bier to the tomb. As this is impossible I crave the privilege of giving to you, his brother, and also my honored instructor, some expression of the depth of my emotion at his loss, and of the deep debt of gratitude I feel for the intellectual

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freedom which through him has become
my inheritance. Much will be said about
the magnificent achievements of his life, but
none can those who came into personal
contact with him as a teacher will fully
know his patience, fairness, thoroughness, humility
and deep earnestness in meeting every intel-
lectual problem of his students. For all this
I not only esteemed and honored him, but
loved him. May his mantle fall upon a
worthy Successor.

Most sincerely yours

Chas M. Gault.

OLD TESTAMENT AND SEMITIC STUDIES
IN MEMORY OF
WILLIAM RAINEY HARPER

EDITORS
ROBERT FRANCIS HARPER
FRANCIS BROWN
GEORGE F. MOORE

B Harper R F

The Presidents Secretary
The University of Chicago

Dear Sir:-

I have written Professor Breasted and requested him to send or Ohand to you a "Report of this year's work of the Oriental Exploration Fund (Egyptean Section) of the University of Chicago - based on last year's Report and not to exceed one page".

I think that it is much better for this Report to come from Professor Breasted. It should be addressed to me as General Director and sent to the President with the same introduction as last year. Of course I shall see a proof of it.

I am sorry to have been tardy in the matter of this Report, but it should reach you about the 15th.

Very truly yours
Robert Francis Harper

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Harper R.F. Harper Volume

Dear Dr Judson, Harper

Thank you for your letter, which I am very glad to have. I do not understand it, but I sent to you two letters about Harper last autumn, and they ought to have reached you; but they have not done so .This is not my fault though. Before I make my statement to you I want to say one thing. Had Harpers wishes included the idea of any contribution form Mr King I should have been only to happy to have pressed King to have written it. As it was Happer at the mention of Kings name by me as a helper of Waterman said, No, I wont have it. King is only civil to me when he wants me to write him a testimonial. Now for the statement.

Harper said to me one day, Have you any suggestions as to the ending of my edition? I said Yes One. Your work is defective as regards palaeography. Said he, how is it to be righted? I told him by a vol of Ioo plates done by autotype, and including the best specimens possible of letters of all ages, so far as Babylonia and Assyria are converned. Said he, Judson wont pay Said I, he will. Said he, Judson does not like me, and then I told him of your kind words about him when you had that talk with me. Then we talked more. These 100 plates and the descriptions were to form the last vol, and it was to contain nothing but plates and descriptions. All the other matter which Prof price wants to put in the vol belongs to the translation, whenever it comes, or whoever does it. We often talked of this book (Inscribed Plates) and we spoke to Harrison and the Oxford Press about it. When Harper fell ill we talked once very carefullt about it, and I am sure that he knew he would never do it. It was then the name of King turned up.

Said Harper, No, Waterman shall do it, and whatever credit there is attached to it he shall have it. The last morning I saw him alive when he still had all his wits about him he again said that Waterman was to do it, if you would help him I mean you, Dr Judson, And then he added, "You (I E me) have been at my back all these years and have helped me to shove the thing through; will you say a few words about the merits of the book, if you think it has any, as an old friend?" I promised him that I would help Waterman to do what he wanted so far as it lay in my power, and said that I had many good things to say of the book, if he was not able to say them himself. He was quite pleased, and there was more talk of Judson, and of how he was afraid, in fact knew, that Judson did not like him, and might "Turn him down"; all of which puzzled me greatly "Very well, said I, "I will tell Dr Judson all you wish"; and i did so, but you did not get the letters.

There is the whole thing in a nutshell. One hundred collotype plates by the Oxford Press, who prepared the specimens which I sent to Prof Price, with a competent description of each object on the plate by Waterman, and a short introduction by him. This to appear with Harpers name on the title page Harper. And on the fly leaf, inside, three lines saying that Waterman has written the descriptions of the plates which Budge suggested to Harper. Before Watermans Introduction to come my little appreciation of Harper and his work signed "an old friend "as Harper wished. That is quite simple I think you will say. If your Press Likes to make a Memorial Vol well and good; and let everybody that likes write in it. But the plates muust go as Harpers work and form a vol in his series with the rest, and his name be the only one on the title page and cover.

Yours,

It is not a question of what I like or do not like, I am only anxious to see donn what Harper wanted to have done. If you, Budson, will do this, as you can, I will give Waterman all the help I can, for Harpers idea was "to boost him along" as he said. If you will not , then I just disappear fromthe business entirely. I liked Harper very much, we were friends for many years, and the manner of his death in a strange land stirred all the symapthy that I have in me. Witness the time and trouble I gave to him before and after death. You are mislead if you think that I want to shove myself forward in the matter, or ~~whether~~ that I care who writes or does not write in a memorial vol I want to see Harpers wishes carried out, and I will not help to carry out what he did not want done. Meanwhile a whole year or more has been wasted, and all our best tablets are removed to a place of safely and are unavailable. Forgive this long letter, but I hope it will explain things to you. I hoped you would have passed through England on your way back and that I should have seen you.

Yours sincerely,

E.A. Wallis Budge

Muskingum College Auditorium

Sabbath, December the Sixth 1914

Two thirty o'clock



Memorial Service

in honor of

Robert Francis Harper

Professor of the Semitic Languages and Literature

The University of Chicago

Born in New Concord, Ohio, October the eighteenth 1864

Died in London, England, August the fifth 1914



The later Harper Home and Store, New Concord, Ohio.

Program

Organ Prelude, "Notturno", - - - Mendelssohn
Mr. Freeman

Psalter No. 247.

Invocation, Rev. W. F. Rotzler.

Psalter No. 278.

Scripture Reading, Dr. William Speer Harper.

Vocal Solo, "Fear not Ye, O Israel" - - Dudly Buck
Mr. Hosmer

Prayer, President J. Knox Montgomery.

Anthem, "He Watching Over Israel" - - - Mendelssohn

Address, Dr. Ira Maurice Price, Professor of the Semitic Languages and Literature, the University of Chicago.

Psalter No. 107.

Benediction, Dr. Ira M. Price.

Organ Postlude, March Relegeuse - - - Dubois
Mr. Freeman



House in which the late President William Rainey Harper of Chicago University, and also Robert Francis Harper were born, Main Street, New Concord, Ohio.

The William Rainey Harper Memorial Building to be erected on the Campus of Muskingum College will incorporate this house.

Muskingum College
NEW CONCORD, OHIO

J KNOX MONTGOMERY, D. D., PRESIDENT

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Harper R. F.

Nov. 21/14.

Dear Mr. President:

I am thinking of the memorial service in your institution tomorrow and still regretting my inability to be present. We are planning for a like service here either Nov. 29 or Dec. 6 as may seem most suitable.

I am writing to know if it would be possible for your University to be represented on either of those afternoons in an address appropriate to the occasion. We would be most pleased to have you, but I do not presume to suppose that possible, but anyone who was associated with Dr. Francis Harper and who could speak of him and his work from personal knowledge would be very acceptable.

Should it not be at all possible for anyone of your faculty to come could you send me any printed report of your meeting tomorrow or any other printed matter telling of Dr. Harper's work in connection with the University etc. This would be much appreciated and would add interest to our service.

You may be interested to know that I have secured for Muskingum College the house in which Dr. W. R. Harper was born, and I suppose Dr. R. F. Harper was born in the same house, and we will move it to the college campus in the spring and rebuild it and add to it as a memorial building.

Hoping to hear from you soon and favorably touching the matters about which I have written,

I am,

Yours sincerely,

J. Knox Montgomery
Pres.

President Harry Pratt Judson,
Chicago Ills.

I should think it would be most acceptable if Price could go

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I can go for Dec. 6th if desirable, but shd like to know as soon as possible as I have another engagement pending for that day — Price.

Washington College
NEW CONCORD, OHIO

KNOX MONTGOMERY, D. D., PRESIDENT

Nov. 27/14.

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I am.

Yours sincerely.

President Harper's Trust Judson.
Chicago, Ills.

Chicago, November 25, 1914

Dear President Montgomery:-

Your favor of the 21st inst. was duly received. I am greatly interested in your plan for a special service in honor of Dr. R. F. Harper, and also in what you say about the house in which Dr. W. R. Harper was born. The only one available in our faculty to be with you on occasion of the service to which you refer is Professor Ira M. Price, of the Semitic Department, who took part in our service on Sunday last. He could go December 6th, but not on the 29th next. If your service is set for the former date kindly inform me, so that I can let Professor Price know.

With sincere regards, I am,

Very truly yours,

H.P.J. - L.

President J. Knox Montgomery,
Muskingum College,
New Concord, Ohio.

Chicago, November 25, 1914

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President J. Knox Montgomery,
Muskingum College,
New Concord, Ohio.

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R. F. Harper

The University of Chicago
FOUNDED BY JOHN D. ROCKEFELLER
Office of the President

Chicago, November 6, 1914

Dear President Judson:-

The committee you appointed on a Memorial Service in honor of Professor Harper recommends a service of music and brief addresses at the Vesper hour, four o'clock, Sunday afternoon, November 15th.

Mr. Stevens will provide the music and Professor Price will select the speakers and subjects.

If you approve this programme we will proceed to carry it out.

Yours respectfully,

Charles R. Henderson

C.R.H.-D.

President Harry Pratt Judson
The University of Chicago.

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FOUNDED BY JOHN D. ROCKEFELLER

Office of the President

Chicago, November 6, 1916

Dear President Judson:-

The committee you appointed on a Memorial Service in honor of Professor Harper recommends a service of music and brief addresses at the Vesper hour, four o'clock, Sunday afternoon, November 19th.

Mr. Stevens will provide the music and Professor Price will select the speakers and subjects.

If you approve this programme we will proceed to carry it out.

Yours respectfully,

Shailer Mathews

C.R.M.-D.

President Harry Pratt Judson
The University of Chicago.