CROSS REFERENCE SHEET

Name or Subject E. Fletcher Ingals File No.

Regarding Date

SEE

Name or Subject File No.

Gifts

Rush Medical College

File cross reference form under name or subject at top of the sheet and by the latest date of papers. Describe matter for identification purposes. The papers, themselves should be filed under name or subject after "SEE."

CROSS REFERENCE SHEET

Name or Subject E. Fletcher Ingals File No.

Regarding Date

SEE

Name or Subject File No.

Gifts

Rush Medical College

File cross reference form under name or subject at top of the sheet and by the latest date of papers. Describe matter for identification purposes. The papers, themselves should be filed under name or subject after "SEE."

70 State Street,
Chicago.

Mar 18 1892

W. R. Harper L.L.D.

My Dear Sir

I am greatly interested in your letter from Bro G Hopkins and I am sure that we are all much in sympathy with his views. I saw President Holmes last evening and drew him out a little. As I had already been

most important work & medical education & though it is humanity that I wish to occupy your leisure until we can devise a plan which is for the best.

Yours truly
E. Elizabeth Blackwell

P.S. What Dr Hopkins says about Germany is strictly true as to organized investigation in Physiology, Pathology & Bacteriology & does not apply to practice & experience. Both that & on the Hospitals & Colleges a note from Miss Ackworth. I will have it paid again in Eng.

Dear Sir & Mrs Jackson & you so my letting | be in hastily in your & you cannot spare 9 pm. Will return & on you only next Sunday & will take you out & on the Hospitals & Colleges a note from Miss Ackworth.

I shall be at home Saturday morning. Do let me know if you can but this subject is 9 pm

to go wrong as on the science of medicine.

I have full confidence that things can all be fixed.

Sincerely Yours

E Fletcher Ingals

70 State Street,
Chicago.

Mar 25 - 92

Pres. W. R. Harper

My dear Sir

Prof Haines this morning urged some very good reasons against vesting the appointing power of a medical faculty in the trustees of an institution apart from nominations by the faculty.

I call your attention to them in order that you may consider the matter from all sides. He cited two instances in which this principle has worked badly

within our own observation. One outside of a University president was that of Prince Bismark who appointed a charlatan whom he happened to fancy to a prominent position. Another was that of the University of Pa in which there is said to be the greatest dissatisfaction and even scandals at present because of the arbitrary will of the Provost.

You can understand that in future some president of peculiar ideas might appoint as dean such a man as Pratt which would be a lasting disgrace and a most bitter disappointment.

While you live it would be all right but even presidents of universities are not infallible and it seems as though there is nothing within the whole range of human thought upon which the laity are so liable

until April 5th I think it will be as well to defer a meeting of this committee with you & Dr Goodspeed until afterward; but as soon as possible thereafter I would like to bring you all together at 5 P.M. of some day, and I think it would be better to meet at my house for supper. Kindly arrange a date for this meeting and in the mean time let me have any suggestions that occur to you.

Yours sincerely
E Fletcher Ingals

DR. E. FLETCHER INGALS,
70 STATE STREET, S. W. CORNER RANDOLPH.
HOURS, 10 A. M. to 2 P. M.

CHICAGO, March 26 1892

Pres Wm R Harper

My Dear Sir

I sent you the paper today but had not time to state that the matter was gone over quite thoroughly at our faculty meeting. So many strong reasons were urged for the general plan suggested in the "Control" of the paper I sent you, that I feel very much in hopes that

you will also bring yourself to this way of thinking. You know if a union could be effected we would be as much interested in the University as you would in us in a word we would be <u>one</u>. During the course of what I had to say to the faculty on the subject I said to them. "We must build for the future, to us as individuals it is of no consequence for we will soon be off the boards". I was greatly gratified at the cordial acceptance of this sentiment and I believe all that was said regarding Control was actuated by this feeling only.

A committee was appointed to investigate and if possible to arrange the whole subject.

As the Lake Forest University does not have its meeting

P.S. It occurs to me that the members of the Executive Committee appointed by you annually from the faculty would be much more influential in this subordinate position than as dean.

507 West Adams Street.

Hagales
Rush

Mar 21 - 92

W. R. Harper Pres

My Dear Sir

On returning to the city this evening I find yours of 19th inst.

I am sorry the committee feels as it does and hope they may think better of it. The comparison of Rush with the

Thursday & Friday evenings of this week I shall be engaged. If I can aid your throat let me know

Yours truly

E Hulburd Fogals

It is also untrue so far as requirements are concerned unless the requirements have been changed very recently. I am free to state that my own statements to you regarding the two colleges would appear partisan on their face, but they were absolutely true.

I hope that you may be able to see me Wednesday or some other time very soon. Will you if possible name a time by return mail.

College of Physicians & Surgeons I can not understand upholding that the gentlemen making it had been so instructed by one of the members of the P.&S., for I never heard such a statement before and know it is absolutely untrue so far as the standing of the two is in the North West is concerned.

DR. E. FLETCHER INGALS,
70 STATE STREET, S. W. CORNER RANDOLPH.
HOURS, 10 A. M. TO 2 P. M.

aff

CHICAGO, Apr 23 1892

Pres Wm R Harper

My dear Sir

I have been asked by some of the faculty if you would be willing to consolidate Rush with the University on the same basis as that adopted by the Columbia University in taking in the College

of great interest on hand involving over a million which I have some hopes of bringing into the University. I will know more about it after a few days.

Yours Sincerely

E Fletcher Ingals.

P.S. Mr Jones estate is so tied up that I think we are completely shut out there.

of Physicians & Surgeons of City. He understands that great care was used in making that union & it may afford some practical points. I do not know the nature of their arrangement but have an impression that the nomination of faculty does not quite accord with your view. I have a matter

made to remove all dangers about Hospital providing it was properly managed.

Yours sincerely
E. Fletcher Ingals

DR. E. FLETCHER INGALS,
70 STATE STREET, S. W. CORNER RANDOLPH.
HOURS, 10 A. M. TO 2 P. M.

CHICAGO, Apr 8 1892

Dr Wm R Harper
My Dear Sir
I saw today the president of the Chicago dental college of which I spoke last night. It is the largest, & probably best equipped dental college in the world. Over 300 students. He is very anxious to effect a union with the university. I told

him that to do so two things must be accepted in the beginning viz high grade + University control. I pointed out to him some of the things they would have to do and found him in favor of it if it should be practicable.

I have asked him to do nothing just now because it is not well to good our friends. I believe the best plan for us

is to keep quiet until after the next meeting of their trustees + then to make a strong hard pull all together. In the mean time I will see Dr Lawrence + see if we cannot get the Baptists to endow a ward at the Presbyterian Hosp which would give them the very best hospital facilities at a small cost and could be

507 West Adams Street.

April 5th 1892

Pres. Wm R Harper

Dear Sir

The Lake Forest people held a meeting today at which they unfortunately did not say "Go & God bless you" but they seemed to appreciate our position fully. They are extremely anxious to retain the college which this year adds

over 600 to their roll of students & they are going to make an effort to raise a couple of million. I wish they would raise it & give it to the Chicago University.

We will have our conference Thursday evening and can I hope come to an understanding as to what may be done.

You can give us your views and find out what manner of men we are, and then if necessary we can wait a little while.

Yours Truly

E Fletcher Ingals.

RUSH MEDICAL COLLEGE,

MEDICAL DEPARTMENT OF LAKE FOREST UNIVERSITY.

Please address reply to my residence 507 W. Adams St.

Chicago

CHICAGO, May 11 1892

Pres Wm R Harper
University of Chicago
Dear Sir

On behalf of the committee appointed by the faculty, to inquire into the policy of the University of Chicago regarding a medical department, I wish to ask you to kindly inform me when and on what basis the medical department will be established.

As you are aware Rush medical college was the medical department of the old University of Chicago, but after the abandonment of that institution Rush entered into, and still holds, a similar relation to the Lake Forest University, a union, however, from which either party may withdraw on giving proper notice.

We feel that our allegiance is due the Lake Forest University, providing it is able to place the medical department in the first rank of medical schools, a position to which it is entitled by reason

RUSH MEDICAL COLLEGE,

MEDICAL DEPARTMENT OF LAKE FOREST UNIVERSITY.

CHICAGO, ... 189

of age and prolonged faithful medical education.

I have heard from several sources that the Trustees of Lake Forest University are liable to abandon their present University organization and advance the institution to a college of very high order.

If this is done we shall be free to seek new alliances. If the Trustees of Lake Forest University still wish to maintain a University organization I believe they will raise a sufficient endowment to place the Medical department on a proper footing, or failing in this will willingly release us from our present relations in the interest of higher medical education.

In view of this it seems to me that as the University of Chicago has regained new life it would be eminently proper that the Medical department of the old University, which has steadily maintained its usefulness and good character, should be adopted by the new & vigorous University.

Yours Respectfully
E Fletcher Ingals Registrar.

Ingalls

Venetian Building,
36 Washington Street.

Chicago July 16-92

My Dear Doctor Harper

I believe that with your aid we will before long have one of the very best medical schools in Chicago.

I think we will get financial aid. Dr Earle who has seen you a few times with reference to the P&S has accepted the chair of Obstetrics & diseases of children in Rush. He was the one really valuable man for us they had. They have two other very good teachers but circumstances prevent our taking them.

We have just bought
125 ft front on which to
erect a laboratory.

Yours Sincerely

E. Fletcher Ingals.

Venetian Building,
36 Washington Street.

Chicago July 11/92

Answ'd

Legalle

W. R. Harper Pres.

My Dear Sir

I wish to congratulate you and Dr Goodspeed on the splendid outcome of your untiring efforts. If you can only live on your natural expectancy we will all be proud of our city as an educational center

Yours Sincerely

E Fletcher Ingals

Vegetal Building,
56 Washington Street
Chicago

Chicago Jan 11 1892

Mr. Walter Gaw,
Dear Sir
I wish to
congratulate you and
Brotherhood on the splendid
success of your meeting
last. If you can only
have or your National officers
we will be proud of our
city as an educational
center

Yours very truly
C. Walter Hoyt

Venetian Building,
36 Washington Street.

(27) Legale

Chicago Oct 29/92

Pres Wm R Harper

My dear Sir

Next Tuesday after half past nine would be a good time for me to see you. I have to return from 8 to 9. Please let me know if this will do

Yours Sincerely

E Fletcher Ingals

Ingale

507 West Adams Street

Oct 3d 92

T. W. Goodspeed

(8)

My Dear Sir

As soon as you have leisure I want to talk with you a few moments to ascertain Mr Ryerson's attitude toward a Medical department and what is best to be done in the matter.

Kindly let me know at what time I can

conveniently see you.
I congratulate you and
Dr Harper on the auspi-
cious opening of the
University.

Yours sincerely
E. Hitchcock Ingals

Venetian Building,
36 Washington Street.

507 W. Adams
Ingale

Chicago, Oct 15-92

8

My Dear Doctor Harper

Yours of 13th rec'd. Unfortunately I have to go out of town this morning & will be absent until next Thursday morning.

At your early convenience thereafter I will meet you, at 1212 Chamber of commerce, or will come down to your residence

if you. I have to lecture at 8 AM Monday and Tuesday and at 2 PM Wednesday every week, and would much prefer not to interfere with these hours, though I could have them filled if necessary. I have pondered and prayed over this matter until I individually am prepared for anything that is best for medical education in general and the University. I think we can lay out some plan whereby the best thing may eventually be accomplished.

Yours Sincerely
E. Hilliker Regan.

P.S. Hope your time & health suit you.

but little below it now.

Harvard ~~will~~ required beginning this ~~next~~ year 4 yrs of study which should include four ~~terms~~ years of 36 weeks each in the college.

We have already announced for next year a requirement of four years of study (this is already demanded) to include three years of eight months each in the college. Our facilities in ~~many~~ some respects are better than those of Harvard and will I think next year be equal in all respects.

507 West Adams Street.

Oct 11 – 92

My Dear Doctor Harper.

I have just received your letter and feel encouraged to work in a cause upon which my heart is set. I want your advice about seeing Mr Ryerson. He like you is in favor of a high standard, and we are all with you in this respect, though our opinions differ as to how high it should be at first,

and how long should be given to reach the place you desire.

You have adopted Harvard as a standard for the University; but its standard for commencement of a medical education does not reach yours, indeed it is very little beyond that we already require. Would it not be best for a few years to be content with as high a grade as Harvards? I believe we could all unite on this. Harvards grade at present for admission is a trifle higher than that of any other medical school in this country unless it be Yale - that I do not know about, but presume it is no higher than Harvards.

We could easily reach Harvards grade for graduation in medicine, indeed we are

507 West Adams Street.

Knowing what you do, would you think it best for me to go over the matter with Mr Ryerson or is it better for me to see you first.

I know you are overwhelmed with work just now, and I do not wish to waste a minute of your time, but it will be necessary to keep track of a few men.

who should be seen,
and I think much quiet
work ought to be done
before Christmas.

You will be interested
to know that we have already
enrolled over 600 men this
winter and a finer class
of men cannot be found
in any medical college,
though the preliminary
education of some of
them is deficient.

I congratulate you
on the great success of
Your and Our University
and I hope for it and you
the greatest degree of
usefulness

Yours Sincerely
E Fletcher Ingals

would not be a good person to crowd among them; and certainly the majority of any faculty that the present board would appoint could be trusted to endorse the wise action of any subsequent board and not to obstruct for petty reasons.

Physicians know much better about the qualifications of medical men, social, moral and scientific which are fitted to make them proper instructors, than do the laity. This same argument might apply to other educators, but to few, if to any, with the same force as to medical teachers.

We must all look to the future in this matter. Dr Harper's ambition is to make this equal to the Universities of Europe. To do this in the medical department will require the aid and advice of thoroughly honorable and unselfish medical men; with such I

Ingals

Venetian Building.
36 Washington Street.

Chicago Nov 14th 1892

Wells

My dear Doctor Woodhead.

Our recent conference was so hurried that I was unable to present my case fully or to obtain your views on all points.

During the conversation Dr Harper suggested that if there was a sufficient amount of money in it, the trustees might make some conditions.

It seems to me that ~~for~~ clinical facilities that must be bad, and which could not be duplicated for more than a quarter of a million, and ~~for~~ that the long line of alumni whose influence would be secured, ~~then~~ are sufficient considerations for two conditions.

Conditions which it seems to me are due the trustees of the medical school & without which

I think the latter would be morally and probably legally unable to act.

1st The medical school should be forever maintained as a high grade school and the University diplomas should be issued to no other students of medicine.

2nd The trustees of the University should appoint no one to the faculty who was objectionable to a majority of that body.

The first seems necessary to maintain the integrity of our contract with the hospital, and to prevent the institution, under certain conditions, from becoming the fag end of a lot of others which by future changes in the board of trustees might be created.

What would be for the interest of the medical school in this respect, it seems to me would be certainly for the interest of the University as a whole, and I cannot see how a body of fair minded men could object to it excepting as stated further on.

The second condition seems necessary to the fulfillment of our moral obligations to the hospital, as well as to our alumni; and it appears also, at least an implied obligation, which our trustees owe to the state.

In this also the interests of the medical school are clearly those of the University. The faculty would be appointed according to your present rules: The check would only be needed to prevent some such future calamity as suggested in the hypothetical case I brought up at our last interview.

Certainly a person who for any reason was objectionable to more than half of any faculty

If the University is not yet ready to take up the medical department, could not some preliminary arrangement be entered into early in 93 which would secure a perfect union after 2, 3, 4 or 5 years when the necessary funds are secured, or by which time the college might already be on the high plane desired, with possibly even larger classes than now.

The aid I hope for and the favorable action of our trustees seem to me largely contingent on action within a few months.

Please consider these suggestions carefully with Dr Harper, and give me your combined best judgment on each and all of them.

Yours Sincerely
E Fletcher Ingals

Venetian Building,
36 Washington Street.
Chicago

am sure you would be dealing in the present case. I do not deem it selfish to work for the immortalization of an old and honored institution even to the exclusion of others. The University of Chicago will honorably work for its own interests against all others; and thus would we work for it and its medical school but none of us for personal interest.

The only objection I can discover to the 1st condition is that it would prevent the formation of schools organized to teach so called homoeopathy

hydropathy, eclectic or botanic medicine, christian science etc. etc.

The University cannot afford to adopt any narrow basis or espouse any pathies or new or old medical dogmas. The regular profession has for 2500 years adopted all that has proven good in the healing art, and during this time it has persistently refused to accept or adopt thousands of startling and fanciful theories which have often taken deep hold of some of the laity. This same course the profession will pursue in the future. But, you will say, there are many who believe in homoeopathy! So there are many who believe with their whole souls in christian science or the faith cure, but there is no need for a college on faith cure.

As to homoeopathy there is nothing distinctive about it outside of therapeutics. Its remedies are all borrowed from regular medicine, but there are some who with Hahnemann believe that the more minute the dose, the greater the effect. We do not think so; but in deference to those who believe better effects are obtained from small & oft repeated doses, I think it would not be specially objectionable to establish one chair of therapeutics which should teach their peculiar views, and I think the majority of the faculty could be brought to favor it if done in the proper way frankly and honestly.

Venetian Building,
36 Washington Street.

91

Ingale

Chicago Nov 24th 92

Dear Doctor Harper

For reasons which I will explain to you or which you may possibly hear from Dr E. it is probable that only seven of their directors would have to be retained.

Please let me know at your earliest convenience, what time we may have a meeting at the Union League club as suggested last evening.

I think the financial plan of which we talked last night will be accepted by Dr E.

He will try to see you within a few days. Their man who has made himself most obnoxious to us has also sorely tried them and it seems to me probable that he can be quietly dropped, though possibly it might be necessary to carry him awhile, I hope not.

Please destroy this & oblige

Yours Sincerely

E Fletcher Ingals

the same as for entrance to the sophomore year & the next a thorough sophomore education, but we are not particular about this. With that plan it would be higher than any other school in this country from the very first.

Yours Sincerely
E Hilton Ingals

P.S. Dr Goodspeed will give you some annulations to the figures I gave you & this I believe fully covers everything. Prof Hamilton of Rush is out of the city & cannot be seen but he will go with the majority. Prof Brown is in Europe & is anxious for the union all others are heard from.

Venetian Building,
36 Washington Street.

Chicago Nov 25-92

Ingals

Yes any

My Dear Doctor Harper

The last of the Rush professors whom it was necessary to see has been seen and I have to report that they are all in favor of this new project of yours.

The last reports from the P&S were equally favorable as might be expected. Dr Goodspeed this morning thought you wished to see me with Mr Ryerson and even our conservative President

recommends that we have our plans well formulated before calling the faculty together to meet you so that too much time need not be spent in talking. If we are wise and fortunate I have a hope that it may be definitely settled at that first meeting so far as the U of C & Rush are concerned. I hope Mr Ryerson can furnish the financial plan.

Next Thursday evening would be a good time to meet at the Union League at 7.30. Let me know early so that I can notify every one in time. The preliminary meeting between Mr Ryerson you & myself could be at any time excepting Monday or Tuesday morning. ~~or the~~ Tuesday afternoon would be all right.

Prof Holmes suggests that financially it would be much better for the University to require for entrance next fall the same grade as for entrance to the University. The following year

DR. E. FLETCHER INGALS,
~~70 STATE STREET, S. W. CORNER RANDOLPH.~~
HOURS, 10 A. M. TO 2 P. M.

REMOVED TO VENETIAN BUILDING,
36 WASHINGTON STREET.

Corgale

now

CHICAGO, Dec 2 189 2

My dear Sir

Rush college building is 16 yrs old & will stand for 75 years to come.

The P.S. part of it is 10 yrs old & part 6 mos. There is a clear equity of $100 000 in Rush & about $40000 or $50000 in the P.S. When you consider the 50 000 I

could bring with Rush
The good will it
will cost a new
institution many expensive
years to obtain. I
really believe that
$1000000 put in the
University today would
not be a cent more
valuable than the
two colleges. A medical
school is fed by
its alumni & they
would be great feeders

for the other departments. I have
already written you this morning
& have talked with Dr Parker. I
wonder that the laity cannot see
more the benefits of medical education,
but they probably never will. Secure
if possible very soon

Yours sincerely
E H Nelson Hoyt

which would never have
happened but for the
researches of the past
ten years. Think also
of the terrible diseases which
still devastate our homes
which may be prevented when
we know a little more,
of diphtheria, scarlet fever
and consumption, and surely
we cannot conceive of so
beneficent a work as that
to be accomplished by a
great & thorough medical
school with thorough opportunity
for original research. If you
can do this the problem is solved.

Yours Sincerely
E Fletcher Ingals.

Ingals

Venetian Building,
36 Washington Street.

Chicago Dec 2nd 92

My dear Doctor Harper

If you & Dr Goodspeed
with other friends of the
University could place
the matter before Mrs
Reynolds I have not the
slightest doubt she
would put her $250 000.
into the medical department.
$100 000. into laboratory &
buildings & $150 000. to endow
the chairs of Bacteriology
& Physiology.

A thousand lives a year saved to this city & the world would be a small estimate of the good to be done by this work.

Thorough & great discovery was made. Will you do them?

name the Laboratory & the chair for her.

The importance of this matter has never been appreciated. I saw a few days ago that 30 000 had been spent for books. I have seen your own precious library, but we all know they would not weigh a moment against the life of one of our children.

The men trained here today will in ten years be our active physicians in whose hands will be placed the lives of those we love best. Think of the millions who have been saved by Jenners thirty years of experimentation, of the hundreds by Pasteurs laboratory researches of the thousands by the antiseptic surgery which has developed along this line. and of our own escape from cholera

Ingale

Venetian Building,
36 Washington Street.

(96)

Chicago Dec 7/92

My Dear Doctor Harper

In lieu of a conference Dr Holmes would like very much to talk with you some day.

Last night he suggested inviting you out to lunch some day. I wish you would kindly drop him a note sending it to The Chicago Opera House Bldg stating what day

he could see you a short time. It is not with a view to pushing things now but that you may have an idea of his views of medical education which may be of value in future

Yours Truly

E Fletcher Ingals

E. FLETCHER INGALS, M. D. JOHN EDWIN RHODES, M. D.

DR. E. FLETCHER INGALS,

36 WASHINGTON ST., JUST EAST OF STATE, CHICAGO. 189

HOURS, 10 A. M. TO 2 P. M. TELEPHONE AT RESIDENCE. OFFICE TELEPHONE, MAIN-3834.

℞

The M. D., N. C. degree is suggested to me by some cards I have seen of foreign physicians as

John Smith M D Heidelberg

" " " " Berlin

The N would be sometime be dropped & it would be M D Chicago, but just now this term might be confounded with

FOR

Chicago Medical College which is
of the North Western University
E. F. I.

Ingals

Venetian Building,
36 Washington Street.

Chicago Jan 19/93

Dear Doctor Harper

Yours of 17th inst at hand but so late that it will be impossible to arrange for a meeting Friday. I will see Mr Kohlsaat again before anything is done about it & confer with you later. Hoping your usual vigor is restored I am

Yours truly
E F Ingals

Ingals

Venetian Building,
36 Washington Street.
Chicago Jan 10/93

My dear Doctor Harper

With a view to getting more definite ideas and a clear understanding of the possibilities of a Medical department of the University; but more especially to get the matter into other papers, Mr Kohlsaat & I have been planning a meeting at the Union League Club

again, receive a University diploma all others to receive simply college diplomas. List those who receive the University diploma after their names M. D. M. C. Then an probably from 30 to 50 in each division of the two schools now who have already the Bachelor of Arts degree & there would be able to get the M.D; M.C. The number would rapidly increase every year & yet the others would be getting instruction better than any other place in the west & equal to any in the east. After 1900 none but M. D; M.C. degrees would be issued. It seems to me this would be a constant stimulus to young men without being an unfair barrier to many who want to come here. All whose organization of (Harvard) could be demanded of all within two years without financial loss. Please reply to the early part of this letter

Yours & let me know what (might) you can be at liberty

Yours Sincerely
E Ellsworth Ingals

P.S. I believe there is some way whereby the school might be started without driving so many students away & yet with honor to the M & blessings to the largest number of mankind. The plan I suggested to Mr Ryerson may not be feasible but there must be some way. Think of the following. Make a Medical department with a grade nearly equal to that of Harvard & steadily pass onward & upward until in 1900 all students would be brought up to the high grade you desire. In the mean time let all those who have entered with ~~not~~ an education such as you & I now think should be had (to properly commence the study) & who take the longest course we would

have time (next week) my Wednesday Thursday or Friday. I want you, Dr Goodspeed, Mr Ryerson, Dr Parker, Mr Teed, Prof, & Mr Hutchinson & Mr Hollinrake & about twenty Physicians. My plan would be to have a supper about 6.30, & discussion afterwards with reports by stenographer. Then have electrophoros report carefully revised & furnished Prof Hutchinson & all the papers.

507 West Adams Street

Ingals

Venetian Building,
36 Washington Street.

Chicago Jan. 24/93

My Dear Doctor Harper

I understand that many of the Presbyterian Ministers are opposed to a union of Lake Forest with Chicago U — because they now have the privilege of educating their children free of tuition.

This comes to me from one of the professors at Lake Forest & probably for the next ten years it seems to me that you individually are trying to do too much. You cannot continue to work day & night as you now do with safety to yourself. The brain needs rest more imperatively than the body.

Yours very truly
E. Hulburd Ingals

will see to inviting a few physicians to discuss the medical school problem with a few of your board. I question the wisdom of a promiscuous discussion but think the report might be edited so that it would be safe. I wish to discuss with you some time the plan I have imperfectly outlined to Mr Ryerson; also the one I wrote to you. I can discover no valid objection to something of the sort and can see how it would be worth $2000 to $3000 per year to the University

has some foundation. The article which has been published in two of the medical journals here, by what authority I know not, but I presume that the ~~our~~ the rulers were working the rulers accidentally & that our effort from the other.

Will you kindly let me know if you have a plan ready the coming week. I will then or if Mr Hincks still wants a meeting & if he does I

Ingalls

Mean

507 Adams Street, West.

Feb 1st 1893

My dear Doctor Harper

I have just heard that an effort is being made by some persons to get the P&S to enter the North Western University with the Chicago Medical College. I do not think they can succeed, therefore, do not feel at all uneasy about it. I

report it to you merely to keep you posted.

Mr Medills letter is certainly encouraging.

I saw Dr Goodspeed yesterday and from talking with him and others I think Mr Kohlsaat's suggestion about a meeting had not better be acted upon at present.

Yours sincerely

E Fletcher Ingals

The most strict preliminary examinations for admission to any American medical college are about equal to the minimum requirement for registration as a medical student of the General Medical Council of Great Britain, and are far below the standard of the countries of Europe.

The Royal Infirmary, which has made the Medical School of Edinburgh a brilliant success, had cost, between 1869 and 1886, over half a million sterling; the University of Pennsylvania has paid over more than a million and a half dollars during the past twenty years in order to control clinical teaching for its advanced medical students.

At Columbia they have practically abolished the Senior year of the college department for medical students, permitting them to take the last year of

through it, found the gray matter thin and composed entirely of pigment cells. Down near the Island of Reil, however, I found a few brain cells proper. In one I saw, with my microscope, the Declaration of Independence, and in the others titles of Sunday School books. The Cerebellum was largely developed, as was the Medulla oblongata. Under the Medulla and living close to the magnum I found a physician's certificate to practice, but in so crumpled and discarded a condition that I came near overlooking it entirely. I could just barely make out that it had been given by the Iowa State Board of Examiners, the balance was obliterated, Since making the above examination I have inquired much about this peculiar animal and have found that they are quite common. In fact nearly every young doctor

Venetian Building,
36 Washington Street.

Ingals

Chicago March 23d 93

147

Dr Wm R Harper
My Dear Sir

You will be interested in the inclosed showing the cost of providing clinical material. Yet our facilities are much better than those of the U of P in many respects if not in all for clinical work for example, it is reported that very few of their students have any opportunity

to obtain personal instruction in ~~gy~~ clinical gynaecology or obstetrics which every one of our graduating class has. They usually see many of the former cases and all attend (with the obstetrician) at least one case of obstetrics. This last we would not boast of in Vienna but it is here a cause for sincere congratulation.

Yours sincerely

E Fletcher Ingals

P.S. Receiving your kind invitation to the Spring Convocation and promising orchestra but fear I will be unable to attend

E.F.I.

Ingals

507 W. Adams St

Venetian Building,
36 Washington Street.

Chicago March 28/93

46

My Dear Doctor Harper

Yours received yesterday. I am anxious to see you to talk over this subject of a medical school and I hope to keep you firm in the faith as to what we already have. Some suggestions I have already made I think will

bear close investigation and I am very anxious to go over the pros & cons with you.

This week is full of commencements. Next week if you can give me an evening I will call on you at your residence, unless some unforeseen emergency should prevent.

I inclose a slip which is accurate with the corrections made by me.

Yours sincerely

E Fletcher Ingals

Ingals

(N)

Venetian Building,
36 Washington Street.

Chicago Apr 28/93

Dr Wm R Harper

My dear Sir

If you are to be at liberty next Thursday or Friday evening I would be glad to call on you for a conference.

I wish to keep you off the breakers toward which you intimate that you are drifting; and to confer with you on a plan which I have already

suggested) for a Medical
School. Please reply early.

Yours Sincerely
E. Fletcher Ingals

Ingals

Venetian Building,
36 Washington Street.

Chicago Aug 4-93

My Dear Doctor Harper

The following copied from the constitution of the Massachusetts State Medical society regulating admission of members is the stand of the regular profession and is the proper basis for a medical school

xxx "Every candidate must by proper credentials and examination satisfy the censors xxxx that he does not profess to cure diseases by, nor intend to practice spiritualism, homoeopathy, allopathy, Thomsonianism, eclecticism, or any other irregular or exclusive system".

This I think places the matter in the clearest light that I have seen, and it is what the educated and honorable members of the regular profession throughout the world demand. Them constitute 7/8 of the whole body of doctors in civilized countries.

Yours Truly

E Fletcher Ingals.

P.S. I tried to see Dr Goodspeed about water taxes. The city authorities had decided that the Chicago University must pay, but I hope we have given them a quietus.

that our great prestige may be utilized for the benefit of a great university and we might be correspondingly aided in elevating medical education to a higher plane.

If you can see your way to giving me an hour or two some Wednesday between 3 and five let me know.

Yours sincerely

E Fletcher Ingals

Venetian Building.
36 Washington Street.
Suite 1209-18

19

Ingals

Chicago. Sep 30/93

My dear Doctor Harper

I received an invitation to your Fall convocation which I greatly regret I am unable to accept because my college work has begun and I cannot spend the evening out, before a lecture.

I wish you could find some time to look over our new laboratory. I would be greatly pleased to show it to you some Wednesday afternoon & I am confident it would interest you.

From your general interest in education you will be glad to know that notwithstanding more stringent preliminary requirements and a demand for three full years of eight (instead of six) months each in the college besides a fourth year of study we have the largest class in our history. We have added many younger men to our teaching force and divided up the class into comparatively small sections when they are getting very thorough training.

I want to talk to you of a plan for the medical department. I know there is no money now & probably will not be for some years; yet there is a way which I believe feasible to get things in shape so

P.S. I enjoyed the ball game very much and hope often to see similar contests, which must do much to develope the esprit de corps of the institution. I did not remain quite to the finish because of another engagement, but it appeared that the Michigan boys weighed too much for us.

In considering the matter of my letter do not overlook its far reaching influence, not alone on medical science, but for the weal of the 20 000 000 people in the North West, all of whom need the best physicians they can obtain, but the great majority of whom are unable to secure the highest grade

that would be produced.

My letter explains to you a part of what I meant by saying that something must be done within a few months.

E.T.J.

Confidential

We dedicate our new laboratory building Monday and I think all of the Presbyterian ministers in the city have been invited.

We have been at work in the building for several weeks but delayed the dedication to the anniversary of the first lecture in the college.

Ingals

Venetian Building
36 Washington Street
Suite 208-18
Chicago

229

8 PM
Nov 30/93

My Dear Doctor Harper

I have today received a promise of $50000.00 for the college providing I obtain its permanent union with one of the Universities. If the plan I recently suggested could be carried out I believe this would be but the beginning of great things.

Yours sincerely
E Fletcher Ingals.

Ingals

Venetian Building,
36 Washington Street.

Chicago Nov 17-93

My Dear Doctor Harper

In reviewing my hurried conversation with you last night, it is suggested to me that I must have appeared to you rather in the light of an advocate than as one simply stating facts; but I wish to assure you that all I said had been thoroughly thought over many times, excepting the hasty computation regarding the cost of a hospital. Even in this I do not think I was wrong. The Presbyterian hospital here is one of the best managed institutions of the kind I know of but notwithstanding that about all experience. You will go on until suddenly, without warning, the cable of your life breaks or you will be left with a brain unfit for your work. Your individuality is of too great importance in this great undertaking to excuse such a sacrifice. I am not given to predicting calamity but I know of what I now speak & in the realization of my own danger which was happily averted, only by circumstances, I feel keenly your need to heed this warning.

Each of us believes that such warnings properly apply to others but that we individually can stand it. If you go on thus the world will lament your early loss, the institution you are so ambitious for will not be able to adequately fill the place, and in place of the honor due you even your weeping friends will be forced to say, what a f—!

Yours Sincerely
E. Kelton Ingals.

5/6 of its beds are constantly filled with pay patients, brought there mainly by the reputation of its staff, who pay from $8 to $30 per week. The Superintendant told me recently that there was a large annual deficit that had to be made up by donations. If my memory serves me, this was about $60000. per year which would be 5 % on a large sum. Of this I am sure - when the hospital was organized it was estimated that $5000. would properly endow a bed but the Supt. told me a few weeks ago that the interest on that sum at 6 % was not sufficient to pay the expenses of one bed for a year.

You can easily estimate what 300 beds would cost, what a building would cost, and you find not more than $200000. left from the 2000000.

The interest on this sum would certainly be and every year for incidentals even if a deficit did not occur on each bed.

But laying aside what I said about schools - as a friend and physician I beg of you not to take on new burdens, but to lay off some you now carry. I do not see how you can get eight or nine hours rest daily with your present duties and I know you cannot endure without this much. I have seen Professors Knox and Parkes go down in this way. Earle is now on what may be his death bed and I have known many others who have suicided in like manner. Your vigorous frame will bend, but worse than all, your keen intellect will cloud under this strain. You may stand it 2 or 3 or 4 yrs and you think you will stop in time; but this is contrary to

Ingals

57

Venetian Building,
36 Washington Street.
Chicago. Nov 5/93

My dear Dr Harper

Can you not arrange so that I can see you sometime soon, as suggested by you at luncheon, or otherwise. While it would appear that nothing can be done now, I believe something could be at practically no cost to the University and yet add between 600 & 700 students to their annual lists. Of course I, in saying this, look forward to endowments within five years that would pay the teachers. I would not trouble you about it now

if I did not have grave
misgivings for fearing that
a delay of a year or more
will render it impossible to
accomplish what I wish.

I firmly believe that
$2,000,000.00 and thirty years
would not place you in ~~the~~
as good a position for medical teaching as you
could assume next year if
your trustees would assume certain
reasonable responsibilities and make
certain equally reasonable pledges,
that would cost them nothing.

I am Yours very Truly

W. Hitter Sequels.