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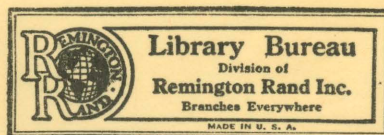
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March 16th, 1905.

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My dear Mr. Barton:-

Each one of these features constitutes by itself something and distinct. The whole building is to be a magnificent appreciation of the honor you have done me in calling twice to see me this past week, and also to tell you that your kindness has given me very great encouragement.

I do not know what the future has in store for me, but I do not know that whether I am to live a long time or short time a few things have been undertaken in connection with the University which ought to be finished. Perhaps I ought to say several things instead of a few, but among these no single undertaking appears to me to me more important, and nothing rests more heavily upon my mind than the question of the Divinity building. We have undertaken to raise \$100,000. in the denomination, believing that Mr. Rockefeller would give us the remaining sum necessary for the completion of the building, say \$150,000.; and in addition a sum to which would endow its maintenance, say \$50,000.

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March 18th, 1905.

Mr. Enos M. Barton,

239 S. Clinton Street, Chicago.

My dear Mr. Barton:-

I wish to express to you my very great appreciation of the honor you have done me in calling twice to see me this past week, and also to tell you that your kindness has given me very great encouragement.

I do not know what the future has in store for me, but I do know that whether I am to live a long time or short time a few things have been undertaken in connection with the University which ought to be finished. Perhaps I ought to say several things instead of a few, but among these no single undertaking appears to me to me more important, and nothing rests more heavily upon my mind than the question of the Divinity building. We have undertaken to raise \$100,000. in the denomination, believing that Mr. Rockefeller would give us the matching sum necessary for the completion of the building, say \$150,000; and in addition a sum which would endow its maintenance, say \$50,000. The effort to raise the \$100,000. has not proceeded very far.

We have probably \$35,000. definitely pledged. I think I can secure five subscriptions of \$5,000. each which would make something like \$60,000. It will require one or two larger gifts to bring the work to an end. It is understood that no gift is obligatory unless we secure the entire \$100,000. In connection with the proposed building there will be a very beautiful chapel, also a handsome library floor.

Each one of these features constitutes by itself something separate and distinct. The whole building is to be a memorial building.

No one knows better than I the very great number of calls that come to you, but I have supposed that sometime you would wish to make a contribution to the University of a substantial character. As a matter of fact the number of Baptists- and it is upon Baptists that we must rely almost antirely in this matter- who have any considerable amount of wealth is very small, and I have almost come to despair in this undertaking. But when I think of the absolute necessity of this building for the further development of the theological work, and also of the fact that Law is now provided for while Theology, which has been with us from the beginning, is really and truly neglected; and when I think of the significance before the denomination of our failure to secure this money if we should fail, I say to myself that not one of the many things needed at the University is so important as this particular thing. The general plans have been prepared and if we could get the \$100,000. I am quite sure that Mr.

We have probably \$25,000. definitely pledged. I think I can secure five subscriptions of \$5,000. each which would make something like \$60,000. It will require one or two larger gifts to bring the work to an end. It is understood that no gift is obligatory unless we secure the entire \$100,000. With the proposed building

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Rockefeller would take care of the remainder.

But now I have unbosomed myself and I am hoping that you will be willing to consider the matter. I beg you not to answer this letter but to give it your thought and when I come back in three or four weeks permit me to come down to your house some evening and talk it over with Mrs. Barton and yourself. There are some things in connection with the matter which I have not felt at liberty to express in a letter which I should like to have the privilege of saying personally.

Sincerely hoping that you will pardon this personal appeal in view of all the circumstances and grant me the privilege suggested above, I remain

Yours very sincerely,

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