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Dear Mr. Vance:

I am recommending as a candidate for the Pictorial Review's 1928 award Dr. Florence R. Sabin.

Here is real achievement in a most important field, and a field which we have not before recognized.

I have a feel that the Award has not always gone to a top notch name. Dr. Sabin has that of course.

In the list sent me, my second choice would be Edna St. Vincent Millay; my third, Violet Oakley.

There are several names in the list of candidates recommended that do not seem to me eligible, although they are women that stand at the very top of our distinguished women. They are women whose achievements belong to a period before the one to which, I understand, we are committed — the last ten years. Such names are those of Jane Adams, Mrs. Ballington Booth, Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt. Am I wrong about this? At least, this is my understanding.

Sincerely yours