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Dear Miss Tarbell:

We are all disappointed that you can't be with us for the May meeting of the Board. We are glad, however, that you are taking better care of yourself. I had the feeling at the time of your last visit that you were drawing pretty heavily on reserve strength.

A letter has come from Miss Yost concerning the first addition to the Lincoln Collection, and the book has been received and delivered to Miss Rowley. We are glad to have the project under way. Students here are much interested and I think will contribute a number of the items needed.

Albert Hines is on this year's list of candidates for honorary degrees. I anticipate no trouble at our meeting Saturday, but some of the faculty members have raised the question as to the degree that is most appropriate for him. The general feeling seems to be that it should be a degree of master of arts rather than that of doctor of laws. Williams, Amherst, Yale, and a number of others use the degree of master of arts where there is some question as to the appropriateness of a degree in letters or laws. I shall be glad to have your opinion before the meeting on Saturday. Your word would carry a good deal of weight with the trustees. If it is not convenient for you to send a letter, you might wire me collect.

Sincerely yours,

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