

R O M E, 6 th August 1926.

Rev. Ozato Davis,
The University,
Chicago. ILL.

My dear Dr. Davis,

You will pardon me for writing you without a letter of introduction. My name however may be familiar to you, and if it is not, I can refer you to Miss Janet Adam, to Mr. Walter Fisher, and Mr. William Boyden. I could give you many more Chicago references, but I am sure you will think these sufficient.

My reason for writing you is that I want to emphasize the qualities of Dr. Vitterio Macchiore of the University of Naples who I understand has applied for a Chair in the Chicago Congregational Theological Seminary.

I have just come from Naples where I spent considerable time with Dr. Macchiore and his friends. I have rarely found in a University a personality that I felt so fit for inspiring teaching. Of Dr. Macchiore's scholarship of course I need tell you nothing. His writings, his power to stimulate, to lead firmly through difficult labyrinths of thought is unusual. I am confident from my observations of teachers that an open minded institution would find in him a rare addition to its force.

No doubt others far better fitted to judge than I am of his acquirements have written you, but I wanted to give you my angle: -his power as a teacher.

In case your own Faculty is arranged for the coming year and you know of any position fitted to a man of his calibre, I am sure he would appreciate it if you would write to him, or if you would advise those in authority to do so.

Trusting that this letter is not an imposition on your good will

Believe me, my dear Dr. Davis,
Very sincerely yours,