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July 8, 1903.

Dr. N. J. Morrison,
c/o Crawford House,
Boston, Mass.

Dear Doctor:

Enclosed you will find a copy of the annual report which I have today sent to the Education Society and I also enclose to you a copy of my report of the non-current matters showing how I arrived at the endowment features in the annual report. The making out of the report has been a matter of a good deal of time and as to the values put upon the property I believe that I have been quite conservative and I have put these values after consultation with other members of the executive committee of course.

On the 29th day of June Miss Taft made a proposition to the executive committee that she would devote all of her time next year and assist in teaching german, literature and other branches needing an assistant all for the sum of Two Hundred Dollars, and after talking with Professor Isely the executive committee thought that under the circumstances it would be the best thing to do and I infer from what you told me before you left that you will think it a wise move.

We have had a great deal of trouble in coming to a contract with Professor Ellenberger. There were two features that we objected to very seriously. One was his desire to have on his part a life contract and the second was his desire that we should bind ourselves to furnish him everything needed, both rooms and apparatus. The consequence is that as yet no contract has been made and I want you to write your views fully on that subject. I do not believe that there will be a contract