

3rd August, 1911.

Mr. James Frederick Dawson,

Baltimore Hotel, Kansas City, Mo.

Dear Mr. Dawson:-

I thank you very much for your long letter of the 26th instant. I was very sorry to have to put the burden upon you of negotiating the alteration and completion of our plan with Allen and Goodhue, but I could not see what else to do. Allen was not employed for designing the plan of the grounds or for the planning of the exterior effect of the buildings, so I do not think we need to pay very much attention to his ideas in these matters, but we do need to pay attention to what Goodhue has to say in matters of design, so it is unfortunate that he is so much inclined to ignore our ideas. I feel, however, that he will come round to such of our ideas as commend themselves to the committee, so that while the process will be unpleasant the result will be reasonably

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satisfactory.

I am sorry I made more trouble for you by writing to Goodhue. I did not realize until afterward that it would have been better to confine my correspondence to writing you as long as you were there. I have, as a matter of fact, pursued that policy in the case of Allen, as it was clear to my mind that I had no need of discussing matters of design with him, as long as you were there at any rate.

Yours truly,