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July 3rd 1897.

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Wm. J.C. Olmsted =

Dear Sir =

We were much surprised by the statement which you send us dated July 1st, 97. We never invited you to give advice as to architects plans. You offered that to the Committee, and they simply received it as a gratuity. I believe you were here several times in Washington, but at no time did we ask you to come to Washington in our interests, ~~=~~ We asked when you would be here, and a meeting was arranged when you were in the city. ~~arranged to meet you when here~~ Bishop Hurst says that he was under the impression that there would be no additional expense for this attempt to revise the work for which the University had already paid you. Further ~~more~~ Further, we have not been able to accept your schemes of revision, but have been compelled to work out the problem for ourselves, so far as it is settled.

Bishop Hurst ~~obliges~~ tells me to write you that if you will agree to deduct $10. from the first item and the Travelling Expenses of $37.25 we will pay the balance as a compromise. This will leave the amount $154.75.

Hoping that under the circumstances this will be satisfactory to you =

Yours Sincerely =

Samuel

Vice-Chancellor.