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Los Angeles, Cal., May 23rd, 1904.

Rev. Albert Osborn,
 Washington, D. C.

Dear Brother Osborn:-

I have been sending you letters at short intervals during the last few days. Hope they have all reached you.

Aside from two beautiful Sundays, which I have already spent with an Aunt and cousins, in Pasadena, whom I had not seen until coming here, for thirty years, I have had no other outing until Saturday afternoon.

I cannot tell you the joy these two Sundays in Pasadena with my dear Aunt and Cousins, has given me. The place is a perfect Eden. I do not believe there is a finer town in the world, and my Aunt and Cousins have one of the loveliest homes in all that beautiful City. A five acre knoll, a rambling house with great wide verandas, beautiful lawn, well kept, thousands of rose bushes full of bloom, pepper, eucalyptus, live oak and palms grew in rich profusion. Hundreds of orange trees, bearing at the same time

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A. O. #2.

the golden fruit and blossoms, scores of loquat trees, hanging full of fruit. Oh! I could go on for a hour about the beauties of the place and the talks which I have had with my aunt of the old days, have been most delightful and beyond all telling.

But I started out to tell you my trip. Saturday I went to Long Beach, where I had my first glimpse of the grand Pacific. Long Beach is a beautiful little City and has splendid bathing advantages. Had a steamer ride of thirty miles out into the sea to Santa Catalina Island. Sighted it at 10 P. M. was ~~grounded~~ ^{greeted} with a beautiful display of fire works and a illumination around the circle of the little land locked bay. It was like Fairy land.

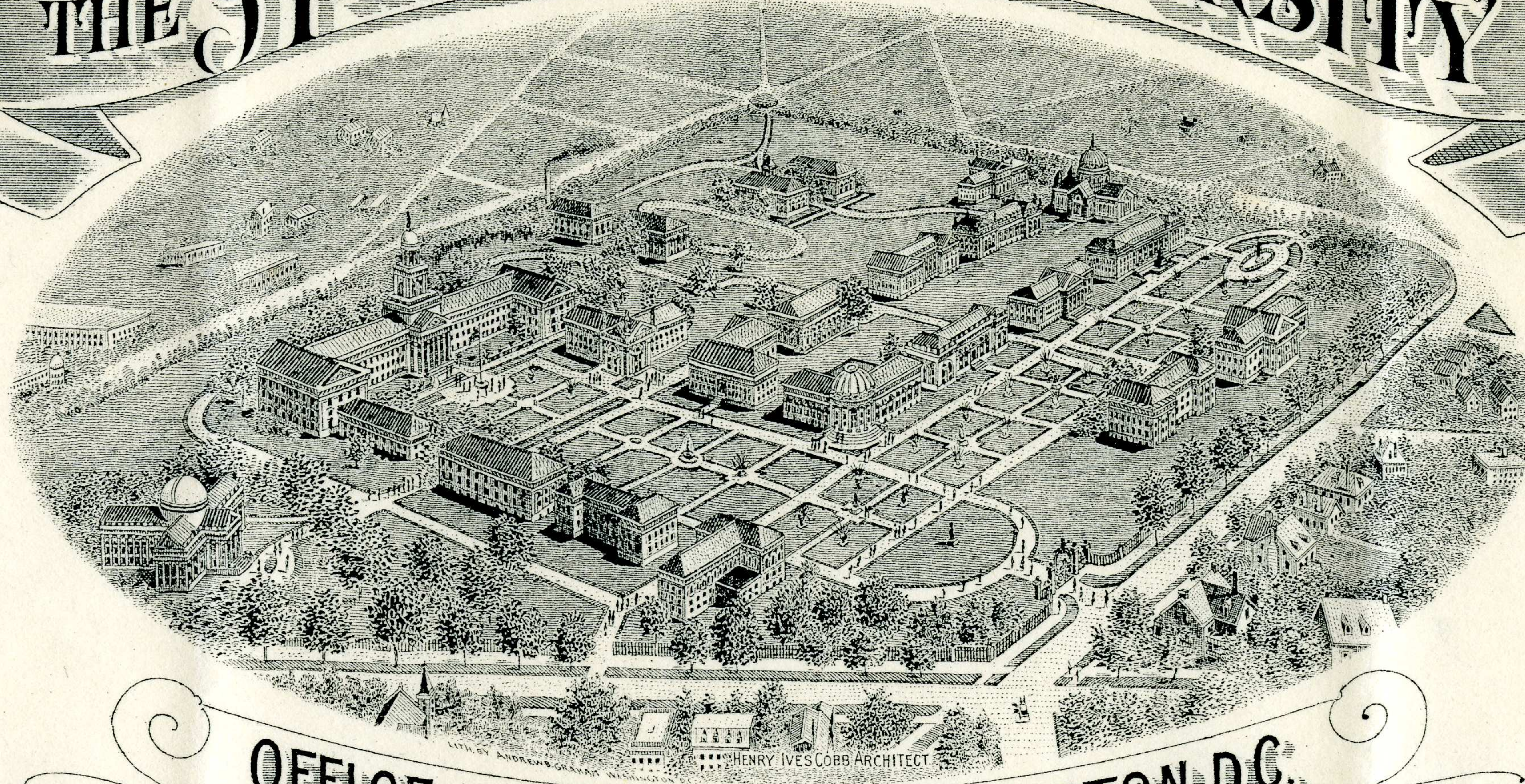
The Island ^{has} ~~is~~ 47,000 acres owned by three brothers named Banning, who paid \$150,000 for it. They have been offered \$2,500,000. It is a great mountain lifted out of the sea. Some peaks 1,000 ft. high, rugged and barren. Climate is wonderful and the appearance of the place never to be forgotten.

A wonderful feature of the Island is the ride over the

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A. O. #. 3.

Marine Gardens in the glass bottom boat. You can look along for 100 feet and see the crystal water. Great rock piled in riotous confusion covered with silver sheen. Sea Mosses and ~~grasses~~ ^{trees with} blossoms ~~ing~~ 60 feet in highth. Sea urchins and porcupines twenty varieties and fish flitting here and there, 100 of them often in the reach of your eye. I do not believe a finer sight could be found on the face of the earth. It is a great God made Aquarium.

Dr. Carroll was there with me, Dr. A. J. Palmer, of New York and many others whom I knew. Came home last night, rested from the journey and ready for the fight.

The Committee meets tonight and we hope to force an issue and get some relief for our cause. Will write you the result.

Hoping you are well, I remain,

Very sincerely yours,

*No Committee until tomorrow.
 This a sensational conference.
 Dr Day resigned after his
 election as Bishop.
 We are making his long back.*