To the Board of Administrators of Tulane University.

Gentlemen:--

Realizing the important aid which has been and is being, constantly rendered to my Child's College, by the certain number of persons hereinbelow mentioned, and wishing them to retain their positions, so long as they shall desire to do so, I hereby ask you to send me your resolution to this affect; viz, that it is understood and agreed that, unless through inefficiency or by their voluntary resigning, of their several positions, that Messrs B.V.B Dixon, J.A. Hincks, Miss Alice Bowman, and Mr Buhler be retained in the College and Dormitory as now; my desire is that none of them ever be removed except for reasons state above. – The uncertainty of life prompts me to make this request, which is made without the knowledge of any of the persons named.

> Very truly. (Sgd) JO L: Newcomb. Josephine Louise Newcomb.

J.L. H.,

N.O. La, Dec 8th/95.

Editors' note

This letter is a typed copy and not the original letter written in JLN's hand, the whereabouts of which is unknown.

A much later letter in Brandt Dixon's papers to the Board suggests this request carried with it an agreement of a lifetime pension for those mentioned, but that Dixon did not draw on that fund. However, neither the minutes containing the resolution approved by the Board, nor the letter of acknowledgement to JLN, imply the resolution carried with it a lifetime income.

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