

New Orleans La April
15th 1898.

Mr. Jos. A. Hincks,
My dear Cousin

For several years past, as you are aware, I have resided very much of the time here, making my home — a most welcome and agreeable one — with the pupils of the Sophie Newcomb College for young ladies, a department of the Tulane University of Louisiana, founded and named in honor of the memory of my lamented daughter. I have now concluded to make my permanent home here, because on each succeeding day of my life now drawing to a close, I am the gratified witness of the successful development and steady growth of this noble Institution, which now engrosses my thoughts and purposes and is endeared to me by such hallowed associations. — In order that here may be no occasion for misapprehension hereafter, especially in any matter touching the settlement of my

estate, I desire to have it known by my particular friends that I have elected to make the city of New Orleans my place of domicile and permanent home, although of course, I may occasionally visit or reside in other places.

And I request that you will kindly remember and preserve this as my declaration of the above effect.

faithfully yours
Josephine Louise Newcomb.

In another hand:
Recd. April 16th 18998
Jos AHincks (signature)

Envelope:
Mr. Jos. A. Hincks.
addressed.

Editors note

This is a nearly identical letter written to James McConnell of the same date with differences only in punctuation and capitalization.