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Mr. Geo. Brown, Architect,
 Secy. & Treas. A. S. A.
 Washington, D. C.

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Dear Sir: - I wish to offer an apology for not having replied to your favors of Jan. 30th and Apr. 24th, duly received, inasmuch as I have been (and am still so, practically) confined to my home by illness since Dec. last, from anemia of the blood which has been coming on for years. Am glad to report, however an improvement, having kept my office in operation night along by competent assistants under my supervision, from my room.

Much to my regret and loss I was unable to attend the first convention in The Nelson House last fall, but thank you for the kind invitation to make it headquarters when in the city and shall be happy to do so and as able to contribute to library, etc., among the collections.

Referring to Minnesota Chapter, A. S. A., and your inquiries as to it, I would try to say you will infer from the above condition of health that I am not able to take upon any active way, a re-organization of the body, which has simply been allowed to drop out of active service, much to the regret of a few of us who would like to see it re-instituted for good and profitable work again.

I would refer you to Clarence H. Johnston, Clare Gilbert or H. C. Whitney - all former Pres's also Secys of the Chapter - for desired information and reorganization, which I would be pleased to give and to take up, if my health allowed. Would suggest Mr. Johnston as formerly very active in the work.

With kindest fraternal regards, I am
 Sincerely yours,
 Warren H. Hayes.

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P. S. I think it must be about three years since our last meeting of the chapter in this city, Mr. Walter S. Pardee, then Secy; since that time he has been, I believe in employ of Mr. Halvingford, of Indianapolis, Ind, formerly of St. Paul, Minn. and member of A. S. A. as well as of Minnesota chapter; Mr. Pardee, doubtless has the Books of the chapter and could give you figures and dates, even though - as your list indicates - he be not a member now of A. S. A.

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