468 Hope Street, Providence, R.I. Dec. 6, 1910.

Mrs. Annie Morrill Smith, 78 Orange Street, Brooklyn, N.Y.

My dear Mrs. Smith:-

I wish I could tell you that I would undertake the duties of Editor-in-chief, for there is nothing that I should like better, but I really have absolutely no time that I could devote to it at present, and there seems little prospect of my having any for some time to come.

I hesitated quite a little before replying to Mr. Chamberlain's letter, trying to think of some solution of the matter by which I could feel justified in accepting, but the proposition seems insoluble, greatly to my regret.

I have already written Chamberlain in detail, and, as I judge from his letter he will see you before long, I hope you will pardon the brewity of this epistle. There is quite a stack of laboratory papers at my elbow that must be read and corrected before tomorrow morning.

I am very sorry that your arm still bothers you. I had supposed that you had entirely recovered from the effects of your fall long ago. You must have injured it much more badly than I was lead to suppose at the time I first heard of your accident.

Very truly yours,



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