## EXHIBIT I

Manchester Vt. May 18th. 1914.

Dear Thomas:

I am more than glad to learn of the very generous and timely offer of Dr. Mead and of course I wote to accept it and also heartily approve of the committee he has suggested. It is much better to have a good committee of three than a larger number as you can all get together at any time and know exactly what is wanted. I had been hoping that Gov. Mead would do something generous for the college as I understand he is abundantly able and this is a more fitting gift for a memorial than a dormitory would have been though that also is badly needed and will come in time. The outlook for the college is greatly differrent than it was fifty or even ten years ago.

IK Simonds

With great respect I am Truly Yours:

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