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said that they were so dependent for their amusements & other entertainments on the City and of evenings that they thought it would be an act of cruelty. The same opinion has been more than once expressed in regard to Christ Ch. Hospital, because the present situation deprives its occupants of home and perhaps a considerable extent of their social enjoyments, but it ought to be remembered that a single generation is but a small part of the history of such institutions, and that altho' some inconvenience may be occasioned for a time, yet in a little while the new locations will be the centre of large populations to give them all they ever had in social advantages whilst their enlarged grounds protect them from social evils. I am not surprised to find that during your wanderings good desires fill your heart. How it will not be your heart when they are absent from it.

I requested Dr Knight to day to send you the last report of the Hospital. You may well have been startled at the representation of its expenses which met your eye. They do not appear so as stated in the report. Mr Harrison's account as submitted at the annual meeting was carelessly read by the Reporter, who did often misapprehend facts. You will find that the actual expenses last year were about $39,000 exclusive of paying Huntingdon St., interest on the mortgage on the Creamy lot, & some other items, in all about $5000. Mrs Kinsey has long had a yearning to be among her own people, & addressed with me freely about her wish in regard to the Presbr Hospital. When

the weather I felt very anxious about the occupier. Dr Knight in the meantime, by the kind placed Miss Coleman as housekeeper of the Knight, in the position of housekeeper. Miss Coleman applied for the position of Matron. Thus was, with several of us, a rational reply to my to employ one so nearly connected with Dr Knight, but after looking around without meeting any one who seemed fitted for the post, I had several conversations with her, and a very confidential talk with the Dr. I then authorised by the Board, in compliance with the recommendation of the Com. of Arrangements, to take her on trial, she to fill both places, that of Matron & housekeeper. She has now been four months on duty, and seems to be fully equal to the post. If there had been a quorum to-day she would have been recommended for appointment as permanent Matron. The saving by this the wages & maintenance of a housekeeper & the maintenance of Mrs Kinsella daughter. The only contributions to the Hospital we have had this year are one of $10,000 in ground rents from Mr Isaiah V. Williamson. There has been some interest shown in the erection of the east wing. The only practical offer done is of an offer from Mr Harry Ingersoll to give $10,000 provided $90,000 more can be had. A similar offer from another friend of the Hospital. Miss Biddle has taken up her compassionate labors with undiminished interest and with great success. The Presbyr Hospital was opened about a month since with a little ceremony. Dr Jarvis, building on Mr Th. Kinsella altered & what is done, even to the business, at regular meetings of the Board are published in the daily papers. Every branch of