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Hon. Wm. H. Taft
New Haven Ct.

Dear friend,

Your favor of yesterday ^{is at hand} to you
would like more copies, of the Monumental re-
ports & it will be a pleasure to me
to send them. I am about to mail you my
latest copy of the Potomac Report and
want to you to read Dr. Hillis' address at
Gettysburg. It is fine.

I used that familiar expression as
it is commonly quoted & ~~not literally~~
with no "enemy" or about it. I had in mind
that little incident of the Surveyorship
which was a grievous disappointment to me.

I do not agree with you as to the
future of the Progressives. Unless the
~~Republicans~~ Stand. Pat Republicans
show a change of heart, ~~then~~ the Progres-
sives will again see their own can-
didat in 1916 - & give the election to
the democrats. Baumer & his ^{in our legislature} main matters
who voted solidly against measures which
Governor Hughes advocated ^{for} a fair
sample of what may be expected of

Twenty-third Assembly District Republican Club

31-33 Cruxton Street, Borough of Brooklyn, N. Y.

REUBEN L. HASKELL
EXECUTIVE MEMBER



until the discredited leaders are shown of
their power or eliminated entirely from
the party.

Sincerely yours

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WILLIAM H. TAFT
NEW HAVEN, CONN

December 18, 1913.

My dear General King:

I have received your copies of the Martyrs Monument proceedings. I am glad to have them.

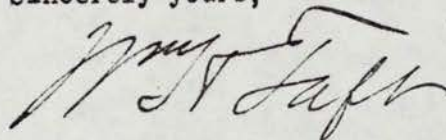
I could not think of taking the Presidency of the City College. I am not fitted for the place, and I don't care to live in New York. You say that thus you heap coals of fire upon my head. In Proverbs, I find, 25th chapter, 21st and 22nd verses:

"If thine enemy be hungry give him an opportunity to eat, and if he be thirsty give him water to drink".

"For thou shalt heap coals of fire upon his head and the Lord shall reward thee".

Your citation is just a little difficult to understand. Now I might have used the expression had the opportunity come to me, but it is a little difficult for me to see where your right to use the language comes in. Unless you are a "General" among the Progressives, you are likely to be back with us.

Sincerely yours,



General Horatio C. King,
44 Court Street,
Brooklyn, N. Y.