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July 13, 1898.

My dear Miss Adams:

I have been again reminded of your good heart, and of
 good and sweet you are by remembering me with your compliments and an
 invitation to Des Moines. If the institution were what it ought to be,
 nothing could afford so much pleasure than to be present and witness the
 exercises, and to participate in the joys and pleasures that fill the
 hearts of all Missisippians who were present on such occasions.
 But how changed things are! With the weight that hangs over my soul and
 the indignation of all, I do not feel that there is now any pleasure to
 be within its walls. I sincerely trust that the situation is not so
 desperate and hopeless as it now seems to be, but I confess that it
 looks dark and threatening to me.

If you will let me know if I shall ever be of any value to you, I shall
 be gratified. I know you will never need it, but if you should I wish
 you to know that it is cheerfully given, and if at any time I can aid
 you in any way, you have only to command me.

Faithfully your friend,

