Med. School Endowment

Plan suggested to
Judge Brown

Thencey (Aug. 1896)

Some suggestions - in
brief form, were made on
my return to New York,
and others.

O came from it!
Aug. 17.****

I was interested in your letter yesterday and shall endeavor to finish as
and much as possible an opinion on the very
important question which you suggest
whether the hope of an
Endowment of $500,000 is not ful-
filled within a short time, it would
be wise for the Trustees to ask
specific contributions which
might or might not surpass in
the aggregate the sum named.

The success of the Emergency Fund
which was entirely owing to your
initiative and urgency in the

Thackerey, but I am sorry to say that the dear Doctor is
at present suffering from an
attack of illness to which at
times he is liable. He is better

I have thought much of the
important question submitted for my consideration.

I agree that "on first duty is to get an endowment; then we can adjust all minor differences."

I am surprised however that you think so much of $800,000, will be necessary for in my ignorance I judged that considerably less might suffice, but this was merely an opinion on a subject of which I am ignorant as about which I had not obtained information.

However as you suggest that some of the trustees are not aware hope that some individual will give the entire amount required for an endowment as this associate his name with the institution and I can only pray that the hope is well founded.

The plan of the ladies, in their general circular to raise the sum of $700,000 and as much more as profitable was, I think unfortunate and the real salt has been that the sum mentioned has not yet been raised. The movement however has had a wide and powerful effect in calling attention to the importance of giving the best medical education to women.

Although the J.U. University has made no reply to the claim of the ladies it is well known stood by the public at large that it is prepared to open its doors to the education of women to the Medical School of
I do not think that our good friend the Woman's Committee will be in haste to face action upon us; particularly as they will know that the University will require a much larger sum than $100,000 before the Medical School can be established. I incline to the opinion that an organized effort on the part of the Trustees to obtain the endowment fund from individuals would not be so likely to succeed as if the matter were undertaken by yourself personally and un-
face of difficulties in the Board itself, admonishes me not to be 
peared in a case like this however 
formidable it may at first ap 
pear. We do not know what 
The French would think of 
The plan and, not improbably, 
there would be as great oppo 
sition as occurred on the 
previous occasion, and very 
probably much greater.

On the whole it seems to 
me that the subject had 
better wait until the begin 
ing of the term when we can 
gently and perhaps more 
briefly, decide what is the 
best course to pursue.