Mr. E. Dudley Parsons 645 Northwestern Bank Building 620 Marquette Avenue Minneapolis, Minnesota

Dear Mr. Persons:

I was happy to get your letter praising my work. I think your own work admirable. You suggest that we exchange copies of our latest books. As I already possess a copy of your book, you will excuse me for not taking up your offer.

I think your comment on Neihardt's work very just. I should be pleased to see anything of yours you care to send me.

My work here makes it very difficult to get away for such a long trip as to Chicago, and I could not afford to come for a sum less than my expenses. I have had so many calls of this nature that, in fact, I have made it a rule to refuse all of them unless the trip would show a profit. The least sum above my expenses which I could accept would be twenty-five dollars. I mention this because I know the expenses to Chicago mount up so. If I came I suppose I should fly.

In any case I shall look forward to meeting you whenever fate brings us together, and I assure you that I am very much pleased at your interest in my work.

Yours sincerely,

Stanley Vestal.