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Doctor Fred Rankin
Lexington, Kentucky

Dear Doctor Rankin: When I saw you enter the amphitheater yesterday, and advance toward Doctor Abell I was very happy indeed, and as you turned I noted the scroll in your hand and said to myself "Excellent, now we shall hear something worth while from one who knows our good and staunch friend Doctor Abell", and we were not disappointed. Doctor, we enjoyed your remarks very much indeed and could have listened to you much longer. Every word that you uttered meant so much to us who, likewise, know love and admire Doctor Abell.

The ceremony was simple and sweet, just as Doctor and those who know him best would have it. I cannot tell you Doctor, how very happy we were that you were the one called to give expression to his great and noble work.

We regretted that you had no time to come to St. Joseph Infirmary, for, at least, a little visit. Don't you think that at some future date you could take time out to spend a day or two with us? We would be delighted to have you, and the rest and change would be benefit you.

With all good wishes from the Sisters, especially those who know you, and myself, I am ever
Very cordially

Sister Mary Burroughs