April 4th, 1904.

My dear Mr. Ritchie:-

It will be necessary for me to go to St. Louis on the 19th and spend a week, and to receive several of the distinguished foreign visitors from Oxford, Paris and Kiel at my house in Cambridge the first week in September. As a member of the Appalachia and of the Harvard Travelers I should like very much to join the Congress in Washington, to say nothing of my genuine interest in Geography; but my editorial duties are so pressing and my work is so in arrears that I fear that the vacation will be all too short to enable me to get measurably caught up. I beg therefore that you will have the kindness to be assured of my sincere regrets that I cannot participate, and to communicate the same in due course to the Secretary of the Congress in Washington. CRysaman.

Yours very sincerely,

John Ritchie, Jr., President.

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