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Gentlemen,² Will you pardon me
for addressing a few lines to you
on the subject of my admission
as a student into the Medical School
of this Hospital.

I have heard today of your decision
to memorialize the lecturers against
the admission of women students.
The personal courtesy I have always
received from you, makes me
venture upon the unusual step of
begging you to reconsider that decision
or at least to delay for a time sus-
-ing up the memorial.

I am fully aware of the weight
such a memorial would have with

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the lecturers, and this request to delay it, arises from a fear on my part, lest you should use your power somewhat cruelly from not recognizing its extent.

If my presence ~~at~~ would really prevent the lecturers from giving their usual course of instruction, you would have a right - that of ^{possession} ~~vested interest~~, at least - to object to any change followed by such a result. But surely if the lecturers would guarantee that there should be no change whatever in their lectures, all legitimate ground of objection would be removed. Certainly I should object as strongly as any other

student to any omission being made in the necessary & usual course of study, in consequence of my presence; and I would most gladly sign a memorial asking the lecturers not

~~to~~ make the slightest change or omission in their lectures in consequence of the admission of women.

I would also suggest that those students who now think of signing the memorial, never can have me or any other women studying with them, as the lectures I attend now are extra ones, & those students who would be in the same term with me, were I admitted at the next winter session, are not now

in the Hospital. Therefore the Memorialists
are not depending themselves from
a contingent loss, but others, who
would probably not find it to be such.

In conclusion I would submit
that this question is of far ~~more~~ greater
importance to me than to any fellow
student; * and probably all thro' your
lives you will not ^{get} have such a
choice between helping & injuring
any one, as you now have in my
case.

I remain gentlemen

* Yours respectfully

I may unwillingly E. Farrett
make you lose
some teaching, you certainly can shut me
out from all.