

BLOOMINGTON, IND., April 2. 1889.

To the Honorable Board of Trustees of the Indiana University.

Gentlemen:

At the joint-meeting of the Board of Trustees and the Faculty of the Indiana University last June several members of the Board of Trustees stated that no member of the Faculty would be removed from his position by action of the Board unless definite and specific charges had been brought against him and he had been given time and opportunity to answer them. At two meetings of the Board last March at which I was present by request of the Board, these same statements were reiterated. At the same time I was repeatedly informed by members of the Board that there were no charges whatever before against me before them. About a week later the Board met again at Indianapolis and I am to-day informed by the President of the Board that, at ~~this~~ meeting, the Board, without informing me

that they were about to take action in regard to me or of the grounds for such action, decided to demand my resignation. The Chairman of the Board tells me that he has no authority to state the reasons which induced the Board to take such action. Since I must consider a demand for a resignation virtually the same as a removal, I respectfully request to be informed, in writing, of such definite and specific charges as may have been brought against me, ^{so} that I may be able to vindicate myself in the eyes of my friends.

Respectfully

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