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Understanding c̄ Mason –

Told M. that I'd seen a librarian, ERE, + AF all leave the RF in a way that gave some basis for reflection as to the 1gr appointment. He said he couldn't speak for Trustees but personally he thought that being already 10 yrs in service and I could look on appointment to RF as Director in MS as being the equivalent or the superior of academic post. I said that further than that I had nothing to add, and that I realized he, + Spaeth and Day were in the same boat. He added that most of the men who had left the RF Boards landed extremely well.

Told him I felt a little immature and would have preferred as I planned to come to NY at 48. I said I would be impatient at neither guidance nor criticism and that the period of possible service before me was such that I felt an elasticity of time in the wealth of time – i.e. I would feel no tremendous rush to get through anything as the only reasonable or possible thing to do.