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Mr. William Randolph Hearst
137 Riverside Drive
New York, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Hearst:

When Mr. Slattery told me you wanted Mr. Chatfield to stay, I tried - and Miss Worn also - to see if the reasons for his contacts with Mr. Rossi could not be sufficiently lessened to make the position seem desirable to him again, but it only developed the depth of his feeling against Mr. Rossi. I am sorry, as changes are not for the good of the garden, and I am not too sure that Mr. Webb will be happy -- although he says he will be and that he will never "resign" again -- that you will have to personally "fire him" if you want him to leave the Hill. It will seem almost like a new place, and it will take him a bit of time to pick up the new scheme. I told Mr. Slattery Monday that he was available, and of your telegraphing to make the change (if it had to be made) as soon as possible.

Yours very truly,

JM-dem

*Mr Webb has no doubt but
that he will be
happy & capable.*