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Distinguished Madam,

I have extremely pleasant recollections of an evening spent in your company at our old American School for boys in Concepcion. You spent a night with Helen Grace Murray as our guest. I have an excellent camera picture of you which I took the next day at San Vicente where we had "almuerzo" with you and your friends. I have always read with interest of you ever since that day and hoped you might return to Chile some time.

Since 1927 I have been a teacher in Santiago College. You visited the school, I believe, when I was home on a vacation so I've never had the privilege of meeting you since that day in Concepcion.

Your poem, "La Oración de la Maestra" is the one I love best. Perhaps because I am a teacher. I attempted to translate it into English in 1932 but it's a miserable attempt. There is one part that I don't quite understand. I wonder if I may dare

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