November 10, 1921.

My dear Mrs. Mercer:

Your letter of November 3rd is at hand. You will be allowed all necessary time to fill out eht blank before returning it. It will take me some time to write the two thousand sketches but for that very reason I am asking everyone not to delay getting up their material, and sending me the picture of their beloved dead. Please do not blame me if I do not return you the picture in several months as it will take at least that long to finish the book and have the engravings made so the photographs may be returned to the families so kindly lending them.

It is my hope to honor the men who died for us and I can only do this with the copperation of the next of kin and friends of the dead.

Thanking you for your help in this case, I am,

Cordially,

Director.

Mrs. Emma Mercer,

Demopolis, Alabama.