Lexington VA: 21 Jany 1870

Dear Sir

I regret that indisposition will prevent my attending the funeral of Mr George Peabody. I have been indisposed for several weeks & am unable in my present condition to undertake the journey.

I am notwithhstanding very much obliged to you for your offer to meet me on my arrival in your State & regret that I shall not have the pleasure of seeing you

Very respy your obtservt

R E Lee

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