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Dear Doctor Allen:

The Backstop sent out to be tried in New England has rested at Worcester Poly and I have not had a chance to try it out here. Mr. Schabinger expected it to be sent on to us but so far we have not had it.

However as I saw it at Harvard and made mental notes I am ready to give my approval to the idea and especially to the idea of a smaller board which will give all the surface we need but will not needlessly interfere with the view of those sitting behind the board during games. Even if no change were made further than to reduce the area and keep a plane surface I feel it would be an advance over the present six feet by four feet flat face.

Perhaps even yet the board will be sent us from Worcester in time to really try it out.

Count me in favor of reduced size and ~~best~~ shape to best meet conditions.

Sincerely yours

Edward J. Hickox

