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I have wanted to tell you something for a long time and I think this is the right occasion. We are nearing the end of our second term..... We have been in our theatre for the first time. It is sad that our dear Mrs. Elmhirst was not with us today, because this is the thing she has wanted to give us - the thing she has prepared with so much love - and we received it without her presence. If you will realize what we have received from her - not only our theatre, our studio, this landscape, but the possibility to work. So where in the world will you find such a possibility to work, such space, such air, such buildings, such harmony, such light. I think the time has come for us to give some evidence of our love and gratitude. Would you not all like to write some few lines to Mrs. Elmhirst?