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January twentieth,
Nineteen thirty.

TRANSFER

Mr. B. A. Garside,
150 Fifth Avenue,
NEW YORK CITY.

Dear Mr. Garside:

Did you see the despatch in the press ten days ago reporting that Shantung University had closed owing to a strike? The following is what appeared in a Toronto paper:

> "Officials of the Shantung Christian university at Tsinan, capital of Shantung province, have been compelled to close the university and its hospital and order the evacuation of all patients to their homes owing to a strike which has left the buildings without water and light. Patients too ill to evacuate remain bedridden, attended by American and British doctors, who are doing all that is possible to provide them with necessities, including food."

It may be, of course, that it was not a strike designed to affect the University, but simply a general strike; but on the other hand one would not expect it to be cabled abroad, if it were not a strike intended to injure the University. I would suppose that a cablegram would reach you from Tsinan. Have you heard anything, or have you any interpretation of the despatch?

Dr. McClure is here having returned from taking a short special course in London. He intends to sail for China next month, unless the University is closed, and advice comes that he should not return at present. This matter also makes it somewhat important that we should know the facts in order that we can advise Dr. McClure.

With kind regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

A. E. Armstrong

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Shantung Christian University

TRANSFER

January 21, 1930

Dr. A. E. Armstrong,
299 Queen St., West,
Toronto 2, Can.

My dear Dr.Armstrong:

We have your letter of the 20th quoting the despatch recently printed in a Toronto paper concerning the situation at Cheeloo.

From your inquiry I assume you had not yet received a copy of the letter sent to all members of the North American Section on January 14. I enclose, therefore, a copy of this letter.

This general letter contains about all the up-to-date information we have received from Tsinan. Our post recent letters from the campus were mailed just before Christmas, so do not contain any of the new developments taking place during the last month. Several dedpatches have appeared in our New York newspapers during the last fortnight, the latest being one in the New York Times a few days ago stating that registration had been refused the University; the announced reasons being unsatisfactory standards and the presence of a theological school on the University campus. I am not sure that this newspaper despatch means, however, that any final action has been taken in the matter of registration. For several months our correspondent from the field has reported that the provincial authorities of Shantung have been delaying action on the University's application for registration, giving among others the two excuses mentioned in the despatch. The fundamental cause of this delay has apparently been an attitude of unfriendliness on the part of the provincial authorities and the desire of a group of governmental educators to obtain the University property for a government institution.

Without question the University is now passing through an extremely serious crisis, during which almost anything might happen. We all sincerely hope that this is merely a temporary outburst of the anti-foreign and anti-Christian agitation which has already come and gone in South China and in Central China.

I certainly hope that Dr.McClure carries out his original plans of sailing for China next month, unless definite word comes from the University advising postponement of his sailing. The greatest danger at the University just now seems to be that of the University's work being suspended and the campus left partially or wholly unoccupied

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so as to provide hostile groups with a pretext for taking over the property. If the University can be kept going even on a restricted basis, for a few months, I am confident that the present emergency will pass by without any lasting harm.

We will probably be holding a meeting of the Executive Committee of the North American Section sometime during the next few weeks. Will you by any chance be making a trip to New York City at any time in the near future? If so, we would try to arrange a meeting at a time when you could be present.

Very sincerely yours,

B. A. Gerside

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January twenty-fourth,
Nineteen thirty.

TRANSFER

Mr. B. A. Garside,
150 Fifth Avenue,
NEW YORK CITY.

Dear Mr. Garside:

I acknowledge with thanks copy of letter from Dr. Li Tien-lu of December 3rd. I shall read this carefully.

I am enclosing a copy of what we are sending out to some of our Honan missionaries on furlough, though of course it contains nothing new to you for most of it came from you.

By the way I have not received back the letter of Dr. R. A. Mitchell dated Nov. 27th which on Dec. 31st I sent to you with the request that it be passed on to Dr. Warnshuis, and that he return it to me. He dealt with conditions in Shantung in the latter part of November.

Sincerely yours,

A E Armstrong

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RE SHANTUNG CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY

Early this month the following despatch appeared in the Press:

"Shanghai, China, Jan. 9.- Officials of the Shantung Christian university at Tsinan, capital of Shantung province, have been compelled to close the university and its hospital and order the evacuation of all patients to their homes owing to a strike which has left the buildings without water and light. Patients too ill to evacuate remain bedridden, attended by American and British doctors, who are doing all that is possible to provide them with necessities, including food."

Mr. B. A. Garside, Secretary of the North American Section of the Board of Governors of Shantung Christian University, wrote January 14th as follows:

"We have just received from Dr. Randolph T. Shields a cablegram reading as follows:

'Workmen have gone on strike. Hospital temporarily closed. Arts College closed. Medical School open. Situation is improving.'

The autumn semester would normally be closing within the next week or so for the Chinese New Year vacation. I assume, therefore, that the Arts College has closed up its work somewhat earlier than usual as a result of difficulties already reported to you. It is gratifying that the Medical School has been able to continue its work and probably will be able to round out the autumn semester in due course.

As you know, practically every section of China has at some time during the last few years passed through a time of anti-Christian agitation. The people of Shantung have a reputation for being rather conservative and slow to adopt new ideas. That may be an explanation of why they are now passing through a stage other sections of the country went through a year or two ago."

On January 21st Mr. Garside wrote as follows:

Our most recent letters from the campus were mailed just before Christmas, so do not contain any of the new developments taking place during the last month. Several despatches have appeared in our New York newspapers during the last fortnight, the latest being one in the New York Times a few days ago stating that registration had been refused the University; the announced reasons being unsatisfactory standards and the presence of a theological school on the University campus. I am not sure that this newspaper despatch means, however, that any final action has been taken in the matter of registration. For several months our correspondent from the field has reported that the provincial authorities of Shantung have been delaying action on the University's application for registration, giving among others the two excuses mentioned in the despatch. The fundamental cause of this delay has apparently been an attitude of unfriendliness on the part of the provincial authorities and the desire of a group of governmental educators to obtain the University property for a government institution.

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(Dr. McClure is now in Toronto, and plans to sail on the "Empress of Canada" from Vancouver, February 15th, to resume his work in the Medical School at Tsinan.)

Dr. George T. Scott, Secretary of the Presbyterian Board, New York, wrote on January 21st commenting on letter he had received from Mr. F. H. Hawkins, Secretary of the London Missionary Society. I quote the following extract from Dr. Scott's letter:

"Mr. Hawkins' letter shows clearly the deep anxiety which is quite justly felt in England, and which is reciprocated on this side of the Atlantic. Until the receipt of Mr. Hawkins' letter, we had not so fully appreciated the possibility of the plant of the University being taken over by the local Chinese educational authorities for the establishment of a government institution. Such a desire on the part of the Chinese could very largely account for the recent strikes and other disturbances on the campus. We entirely agree with Dr. Hawkins that matters should not drift until the confiscation of the property becomes a fait accompli, and that it would be much easier to keep the Chinese out than to get them out.

The situation was outlined to our Presbyterian Board at its meeting yesterday, January 20th. After discussion the following minute was adopted:-

> "The Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions expressed concern over the present disturbances at Shantung Christian University and it is gratified to learn that the latest cablegram states "Situation is improving." The Board assumes that the official bodies of the University are taking such appropriate emergency measures as may be advisable for the protection of the valuable plant and earnestly hopes that before long the constructive service of this notable institution may again proceed unimpeded. Toward these ends the Presbyterian China Council and Shantung Mission are requested to offer their assistance to the University Administration.'

I would suggest that Mr. Garside, as an Administrative Secretary of the Board of Governors follow up the situation in the last paragraph of Mr. Hawkins' letter in regard to the possible desirability of taking the matter up with the China Bureau of the State Department in Washington. Mr. Garside has a full copy of Mr. Hawkins' letter."

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February 17, 1930.

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Mr. B. A. Garside,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York,
N.Y.

Dear Mr. Garside:-

Dr. Armstrong has handed me your letter of the 14th inst., which deals with the date for the holding of the Shantung Governors' meeting in London.

You say that either July 2nd or July 8th will be agreeable to the British Section. Inasmuch as we are holding for the time being July 3rd to 7th for the meeting of the Board of Governors of the West China Union University, it would seem somewhat precarious, would it not, to hold the Shantung Governors' meeting in London on July 2nd, especially as the West China meeting is at Selly Oaks. I presume that following the usual practice there will be a meeting of the Executive of the Board of Governors of the West China Union University immediately prior to the meeting of the Board, so perhaps the 3rd of July is only required for the Executive meeting and that we would begin the other on the 4th. However, you know just as much about this as I do, and I think it would be, on the whole, a good thing if both of these meetings could be handled within the dates July 2nd to 7th. I expect to leave Liverpool on the 11th and, therefore, could attend the Shantung meeting if it were held on the 8th. On the other hand I have been requested to serve as a delegate at the meeting of the International Council of Congregational Churches, to be held at Bournemouth, July 1st to 8th. If I go to Bournemouth at all I must go on the 1st or the 8th.

Inasmuch as you are required, for important reasons, at both the Shantung and the West China meetings, we should be guided very largely in the selection of the actual dates of these meetings by what would suit your convenience. I wonder if you have taken up the question directly with Professor Anderson. You might then jointly lay before the British brethren your views.

Very sincerely yours,

James Endicott.

June 27 Friday
" 28 Sat
" 30 Monday

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Shantung Christian University

February 25, 1930

Dr. James Endicott,
299 Queen Street, West,
Toronto 2, Can.

My dear Dr.Endicott:

Let me acknowledge receipt of your letter of February 17 and also your wire of February 18.

About the same time that I received your letter of February 17 I also learned that Dr.James L.Barton expects to attend the International Council of Congregational Churches at Bournemouth from July 1 to July 9 and would, therefore, not be available for a Shantung meeting during this period. Apparently, however, June 30 is a satisfactory date for both of you. I, therefore, sent a cablegram to Dr.Weir, the Chairman of the British Section of the Shantung Board of Governors, proposing June 30 as the date of the Shantung meeting, if this date were satisfactory to the British Section. I have this morning received Dr.Weir's reply stating that June 30 is satisfactory to the British Section. I presume, therefore, we can count on June 30 as the date when the Shantung meeting will be held.

We are very happy indeed to know that you will be able to represent the United Church of Canada at this annual meeting of the Shantung Board.

Very cordially yours,

B.A. Garside

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Shantung Christian University

March 10, 1930

Dr. A.E.Armstrong,
Toronto, 2,
Can.

My dear Dr.Armstrong:

We are enclosing herewith various circular communications to members of the North American Section and of the Executive Committee.

You will note that we are calling a meeting of the Executive Committee at 12:30 P.M., Tuesday, March 18. I have today been in telephonic communication with Mr.Moss of the Committee of Reference and Counsel. He tells me that the Committee will be meeting both morning and afternoon on March 18 and both morning and afternoon on March 19. The only possible time so far as he could see when you will not be attending these meetings is the luncheon period on March 18. I understand that you will be Chairman at the morning session March 18 but will not have to preside at the afternoon session. We hope, therefore, that you will be able to come to this Shantung Executive Committee meeting at 12:30 and will be able to remain at least until the afternoon session begins at two, possibly a little longer if necessary.

We understand also that Dr.Arnup is planning to attend these Committee of Reference and Counsel meetings on March 18 and 19. We sincerely hope that he will find it possible to attend the Shantung Executive Committee meeting also. I am writing him a letter to that effect.

I have been in touch with Dr.Ernest F.Hall as suggested in your letter of March 4 to see whether the Chosen Board and the Cheeloo Board can meet at about the same time so as to enable you to attend both meetings. We discover, however, that it seems impossible to have these two meetings during the same week. Dr.Hall tells me that the replies he has received from the present Chosen Board make it necessary for him to arrange a meeting not later than April 18. For our Cheeloo Governors, on the other hand, the week of April 21 to April 25 is by far the more desirable, except for Dr.Brown and yourself we can probably get practically the full membership of the Section on April 25. The preceding week is unsatisfactory to a large number of members as is also the succeeding week. It seems, therefore, that we have no other alternative than to hold the meeting on April 25.

We look forward to seeing you and Dr.Arnup on the 18th.

Very cordially yours,

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April seventeenth,
Nineteen thirty.

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Mr. B. A. Garside,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

Dear Mr. Garside;

I enclose copy of my letter to Professor Harkness, for you ought to know of the cablegram that has come and what I am doing about it. I hope that when our Board meeting is over it will be found possible to send Harkness back to Tsinan.

I wish very much I could be with you at the meeting on the 25th, and especially as there is an all day conference on China matters on the 24th, but you will understand that with our Board meeting coming on the next week it is practically impossible for me to go.

Yours sincerely,

A. E. Armstrong.

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Encl.

April sixteenth,
Nineteen thirty.

Prof. H.W.Harkness, B.A.Sc.,
McGill University,
Montreal, Que.

Dear Prof. Harkness:

A cablegram was received from Licheng on April 14th which decoded reads:

"Inform H.W.Harkness Arts Science School reopens probably Autumn. Can you return ? Reply by telegram. Shields."

Now I have to raise with you the question of our financial situation. By order of the Finance Committee we reduced some $60,000 in our expenditures last year, and we are under instructions to reduce by the same amount or more this year. The reason for this further cut is that last year the Church gave the Missionary and Maintenance Fund (from which fund support is derived for all the work including Foreign Missions) $300,000 less than was necessary to pay for the work of 1929. Therefore we carried forward a deficit of $300,000 into this year, and we have to add to that the balance of an old deficit of about $100,000, or a total of $400,000 on the entire work of The United Church.

The Finance Committee of the Church has decided that it is not wise to spend more this year than an amount equivalent to what we received last year. That is to say, they decided to reduce the expenditures to $2,700,000 in 1930 as compared with $3,000,000 in 1929. This Department is ordered to cut down its expenditures from Missionary and Maintenance Fund by $120,000; but from other sources than the Missionary and Maintenance Fund we think we will be able to reduce this amount to about $80,000. This, however, is serious in view of the cut of last year by which the fields pared down to less than was adequate to take proper care of the work. Now to make a further reduction will mean reducing some of the work. Naturally we ought to assist the fields in making the reduction. That is to say, it does not seem fair to say to Honan, for example, that they must reduce by a certain sum, perhaps $5,000 this year, when they have already reduced

from $90,000 to $80,000 in 1929, and would normally require $100,000 if all the missionaries were at work, and then to add to their expenditures by sending out new missionaries or even sending back missionaries who are on furlough and thus entailing transportation.

We are asking Mr. Bompas to stay for another year at his work at Settlement House, Regina, where he is on salary with the Social Service Department.

The question arises as to whether or not we should arrange for your return. Shantung University greatly needs you, and you know how much you are appreciated by your fellow-missionaries. Moreover you have been away for a prolonged time and have acquired further equipment, so that you ought not to stay away longer but should return this year. There is the further fact that the Presbyterian Board is likely to send back two members of the School of Arts and Science, and being a partner in the University we ought to send back you as our one member on that faculty.

But to do so would mean replacing you on our salary list and paying transportation for yourself and family. You will therefore see the problem that is created. I feel somewhat embarrassed at raising it with you because you ought not to have to consider the question, yet I think you will appreciate my motive, which is one of desiring to be frank with all the missionaries affected at a time of financial difficulty such as the present.

It would not mean adding your total salary to the Honan budget, (because we have been paying $1500 in lieu of your absence from the staff) but $1,000, the difference between your income and the amount of the grant in lieu of your services, plus your transportation which would be approximately $1600.

Now if we could find this extra amount ($3100) from some interested friends there would be no question at all as to our asking you to return. That is to say we are being encouraged to find money outside our appropriation to make provision for certain very essential things to be done. I am writing to ask if you have any suggestion to make. If you were the missionary of some large city congregation we might approach friends in that congregation to undertake at least the cost of your transportation in addition to their allocation, but that is not the case, and so I wondered if you have any practical suggestion to make regarding possible sources from

which we might secure this extra amount.

I may be in Montreal about the middle of May, but I ought to send a cablegram withint the next few days to Dr. Shields. Please write me frankly stating what you think. Please do not misunderstand this letter. It is in no sense to be taken as indicating that we would feel relieved if you were to resign from the staff of the Shantung University and remain in Canada. It would be very poor business indeed for us to lose a good man who has had the experience you have had, and now has extra equipment. At the meeting of the North American Section of the Shantung Board of Governors awhile ago two members of the Shantung Faculty were present and they and Garside and others present praised you highly and insisted that you return to your work as head of the Physics Department. I told them of your feeling that a Chinese should be in charge, but they said for a subject of that kind there was no Chinese fitted and the Chinese themselves would prefer that you resume charge of the Department.

I hope you will be able to write me within the next few days, and especially in view of the annual meeting of our Board, April 29th, when I must report on all matters of this nature.

With kind regards to Mrs. Harkness and yourself, I am

Yours sincerely,

A.E.A.

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Mr. Ilsenroy

Dear Mr. Hetherington: We of Bell Telephone Laboratories have made a test of the Lilienfeld patents and have found that the Lilienfeld patent does not cover the use of a grid in the space between the cathode and the anode. Please do not consider this as an opinion on it as it is based on a mere cursory reading of the patent. If you find it convenient to do so, we will be glad to have you return the patent to us.

Yours very truly,

Frank Hetherington

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Shantung Christian University

April 21, 1930

Dr. A. E. Armstrong,
299 Queen Street West,
Toronto 2, Can.

My dear Dr.Armstrong:

I am grateful to you for sending me a copy of the latter you wrote Mr.Harkness on April 16. I am enclosing herewith a copy of the letter I have sent him today.

As I have stated in my letter to Mr.Harkness, I certainly hope that he will be able to get back to the University this summer. I recognize the seriousness of the financial problems involved in your board's sending him back to the University this year, but even so, I believe that this special effort would be amply justified, from a purely financial standpoint alone.

During the three years I have been here in New York I have known several instances where Mission Boards facing pressing financial difficulties have allowed invaluable members of the staff of some one or another of our Universities to slip away. In such cases they have saved one or two thousand dollars, but at the same time they have lost an investment of ten or fifteen thousand dollars and many years of training which have gone into the development of a staff member who has thus been allowed to drift out of Christian e educational work in China just at a time when he has reached his maximum usefulness, and just at a time when his return to the field was most urgently needed. Where such cases occur not only does the institution affected lose an extremely valuable member of staff, but all the other missionary personnel who learn of such cases are inevitably forced to ask themselves whether they may not be the next victims of such a short-sighted policy. The loss of a few such men always seriously shakes the morale of an institution which has been depending upon their return.

I know that you fully appreciate the strength of all these factors and that you are very anxious to have Professor and Mrs.Harkness back on the Cheeloo campus at the earliest possible date. I am a little uneasy lest Harkness, who is always supersensitive to any statement which might be construed as indicating an unwillingness to retain his services, may feel that a statement of financial difficulties of your Board of Foreign Missions may, after all, be a polite way to avoid sending him back to China this summer.

I certainly wish that you could find it possible to attend the meeting here on the 25th. We know, however, how difficult it is for you to

come all the way from Toronto for such a meeting, particularly at this time of the year when you are unusually busy with your own board problems.

Very cordially yours,

B.A. Garside

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Shantung Christian University

May 9, 1930

Dr. James Endicott,
299 Queen St. West,
Toronto 2, Can.

My dear Dr.Endicott:

I am enclosing herewith a copy of a letter addressed to you by Dr.Hugh H.Weir, the Secretary of the British Section of the Shantung Board of Governors, giving you formal notice of the annual meeting of the Board in London on June 30.

At this time I am writing to all members of the North American Section, passing on to them the formal notices from Dr.Weir as to the date and place of the meeting and asking all members who do not plan to attend the annual meeting to prepare a written proxy designating someone to represent them at this meeting. I have suggested that for convenience, as well as to enable our office to ascertain that all members fill out proxy forms, all proxies be mailed direct to our New York office. I will either hand to you in advance of the meeting, or will report at the beginning of the meeting, as may be found most satisfactory, a list of proxies made out in your name by members of the Board. For your own personal information I will send usuch a list to you as soon as we have heard from most of the members of the Section.

If there is anything I can do to assist you in preparations for the meeting in London please let me know. I am enclosing herewith a copy of the minutes of the meeting of the North American Section held on April 25 so that you will be able to familiarize yourself with the actions taken by the Section preparatory to the annual meeting. I expect that within a few days we will receive from London copies of the minutes of the British Section held on April 24. As soon as this material arrives we will send you a copy.

Faithfully yours,

B. A. Garside

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Mr. B. A. Garside,
150 Fifth Avenue,
NEW YORK CITY.

Dear Mr. Garside:

Thanks for your letters of the 21st enclosing copy of yours to Harkness. I am very glad you wrote as you did. I have received the following letter from Harkness as answer to mine:

> "Your letter of April 16th was received. Pardon this brief reply as I am very busy completing my work for the spring. In view of what you say in your letter it seems very unwise for me to consider returning to China this autumn. Will you, therefore, please accept my resignation? I trust you will cable this to Dr. Shields.
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> "I shall be fulfilling a research appointment at Yale University during the month of May so I shall not be in the city when you are here."

I have written him again, and made it clear to him that we can not accept his resignation, if it is at all possible to send him back, and have pointed out what you say, namely that it would be very foolish of a Board to be so wasteful as to lose a good man, and especially when he has added to his equipment, and also in view of the fact that a qualified man in a Department of Physics with the necessary missionary spirit is not easily found.

Now Harkness, you will see, is to be at Yale throughout May, and as you had expressed the hope that there might be a gathering of Cheeloo men, you may wish to communicate with him since he will be so near to New York as New Haven, and urge him to come to New York. I do not even suggest it, but if you find it convenient to run up to New Haven and talk things over with him, it might help, for I am a little afraid that he may stick to his resignation, as I have all along had a hunch that he might welcome an opportunity to stay in this country, in view of the insistence for more Chinese in positions of importance in institutions in China.

Sincerely yours,

A. E. Armstrong.

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Copy for Mr. Garside's information

May seventeenth,
Nineteen thirty.

Dr. Hugh H. Weir,
22 Furnival Street,
London, E.C. 4, England.

Dear Dr. Weir:

Thanks for your letter of April 30th, enclosing minutes of the last meeting of the British Section and copy of letter to Dr. Shields.

I, of course, concur in the sentiment you express to Dr. Shields regarding his fine service as Vice-President (and also as Acting President). I can quite appreciate his wanting to give his time wholly to the work for which he was prepared, namely the deanship of the Medical School. But I wonder where the University will get a head at least temporarily, though far better if they could find the right man as permanent president. In this connection our troubles began when Dr. Balme left, for if he had remained in charge there is every reason to believe that MacRae would not have broken down, and we would not be experiencing one difficulty after another in the matter of a chief for the institution. If W. B. Djang were a few years older he would, I think, make a good president, or at any rate he would be well worth serious consideration. You probably do not know him. He is connected with the English Baptists and spent four years here and gave evidence of being a very strong man. He won favor with all classes, business men, professors and students, and besides was an excellent speaker in English and much in demand for addresses. He is one to think of for the future and perhaps the near future.

I am also pleased to note the emphasis in your letter to Dr. Shields on the significance of the word "honorary" . It is well, as you point out, that we and they be careful, very careful, in these days of national aspirations that we do not jeopardize the real purposes for which we are carrying on Shantung University, namely higher Christian education with emphasis upon the word 'Christian' by admitting to 'honorary' membership those who are not wholly Christian in life and in attitude.

I am sorry that I was unable to attend the

last meeting of the North American Section, and of course very sorry that I cannot be with you at your meeting in London this summer.

I have two items of news, one good and the other not good. Dr. J.D. MacRae is making real improvement. The following is the report of the Medical Superintendent of the Hospital of a month ago:

> "There has been considerable improvement during the past few months in the condition of the Rev. Dr. J.D.MacRae. He now talks much more freely, and his conversation is much more normal than it has ever been. In addition to this he is looking very much better, and he says himself that he feel he is on the road to recovery. We are hopeful of continued improvement. I think it might be well for some of those who know him intimately to make the occasonal visit."

I expect to go to Whitby to see him shortly. Mrs. Ross, one of our missionaries from China, called to see him and he conversed with her quite rationally. This is the first time he has conversed at all with any visitor for more than two years.

Professor Harkness has resigned and does not care to withdraw his resignation, though we requested it. Our Board at its recent annual meeting declined to accept his resignation, but left it in the hands of myself and our Sub-Executive to see if we could retain him, for of course it is practically impossible for us to find a man to take up that highly scientific and technical work and who would have the Christian spirit and aim. I perhaps did wrong in making it appear easy for him to resign as I wrote him, as I had written other missionaries on furlough, stating our financial position which necessitates our retrenching somewhat this year. I, however, made it clear to him that we did not want to lose him and that he was very high esteemed by his colleagues and by us. I thought I gave him opportunity only to say whether or not it would suit his plans to remain another year in Canada, but I also stated that the financial situation in his case was not particularly serious as we were already making a grant to the University in lieu of his being on the field and it would add, therefore, not more than half a missionary's salary and transportation to send him back. Harkness is very reticent and not easy to know well, and I fear he may not consider withdrawing

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his resignation. We shall continue to urge him to return, backed up by our Board's action.

I am sending a copy of this letter to Mr.Garside for his information.

With kind regards, I am

Yours sincerely,

A. E. Armstrong
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May twenty-ninth,
Nineteen thirty.

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Mr. B. A. Garside,
150 Fifth Avenue,
NEW YORK CITY.

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Dear Mr. Garside:

I enclose copy of my letter to Prof. Harkness. I have no hope whatever that it will accomplish anything. I corresponded with his father, and have a letter from him from which one infers that Prof. Harkness has been for a year or more contemplating accepting a position in this country, and I understand has accepted a post in Acadia University, Wolfville, Nova Scotia.

It was, therefore, not my letter about our financial situation that caused his resignation.

I am sending to Dr. Shields a copy of my letter to Mr. Harkness, and also copy of my letter to you.

Of course I am very sorry that the Arts and Science Faculty loses its Professor of Physics, and I hope they can find some Chinese who has been abroad and specialised in that Department who can take on the work. I suppose it will be very difficult, however, to secure a capable man.

Sincerely yours,

A E Armstrong

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COPY FOR MR. B. A. GARSIDE'S INFORMATION

May twenty-seventh,
Nineteen thirty.

Prof. H. W. Harkness, B.A.Sc.,
c/o Rev. R. Harkness, Ph.D.,
R. R. #1,
CORNWALL, ONTARIO.

Dear Prof. Harkness:

Our Board at its recent meeting did not want to accept your resignation, and left it with me to endeavor to secure from you promise to return to Shantung Christian University to continue as our representative on the staff of the School of Arts and Science.

I need not write at length to assure you of what you already know, and which I have mentioned in former letters, namely the complete confidence which the Board as well as the University has in you. Nor need I emphasize the very great difficulty it will be, if you do not return, to secure a man who can take charge of the Physics Department.

You will understand also how great an expense it is to a Church to maintain a man on the field until he acquires the language and other preparation to fit him for his best work,as well as the cost to the man himself of securing all this equipment. This all emphasizes the wisdom of keeping a man like yourself so well fitted for the work, instead of sending out an entirely new man who might prove to be less satisfactory, and who in any case would have to spend years to become similarly qualified.

I am writing, therefore, simply to let you know that we want you to consider that we are very keen indeed to have you return to Tsinan this year. I have already pointed out in explaining our financial situation that we would not have to add to our expenditures the total amount of your income, as we are already contributing to the University in lieu of having a representative on the School of Arts and Science staff.

May I hear from you at your early convenience indicating if you will withdraw your resignation after having given it further consideration, and in the light of the very great need

Prof. E. V. Harness, B.A.Sc. May 27, 1930.

at Tsinan? I am assuming that you would prefer to continue the investment of your life in the missionary service to which you dedicated it when you first went to China.

With kind regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

A E Armstrong

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Shantung Christian University

June 6, 1930

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Dr. A. E. Armstrong,
299 Queen Street West,
Toronto 2, Can.

My dear Dr.Armstrong:

Let me acknowledge receipt of your letter of May 29 with its enclosed copy of your letter to Mr.Harkness.

The day before I received your letter I received also a brief note from Harkness accompanying a a longer letter which he had just written to Dr.Shields setting forth the reasons why he feels it will not be possible for himself and Mrs.Harkness to return to Tsinan.

Harkness does not say whether or not he is sending you a copy of his letter to Dr.Shields so I have had a copy prepared and am enclosing it herewith for your information in case he did not send you a copy direct. It seems to me that this letter from Mr.Harkness is an unusually fine presentation of some of the factors that are now operating to keep many of the most valuable members of our University staffs from returning to the field. Harkness has written to Dr.Shields in rather guarded terms, and from the brief note he sent me I am convinced that there is much one might read between the lines.

In his brief note to me Harkness makes the following comment which he will perhaps not thank me for passing on to you, but which I think reveals the immediate reason for his resignation:-

> "To have it suggested that I might have some ideas about raising my own salary after two years of training at my own expense in which all my capital has evaporated was too much for me."

Since I first heard of Harkness' resignation I have had a feeling, based on what I learned of his characteristics while we were together on the Cheeloo campus, that his action was the result of some personal attitude which he would not be likely to reveal in any official correspondence he might have with his Mission Board or with the University. Everyone recognizes that Harkness is a temperamental chap who sometimes acts like a sulky small boy, but the longer one knows him the more one admires and respects him, both for himself and for the invaluable Christian services he is rendering at the University. I have never known him to fail in the end to take a sane and reasonable viewpoint on any question affecting his personal interest.

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I am not sure that there is anything more that you or the Foreign Mission Board of the United Church of Canada can do in Harkness' case. It was absolutely proper and in order for you to discuss with him all the financial problems involved in his return to China. All of us who are contemplating return to the field have these same questions discussed with us by our Mission Boards. I know that under the Presbyterian Board practically all of us are assigned to individual churches and are expected by the Board to make and retain friendly relationships with these churches at all times, so as to insure the continuity of interest and support on the part of the church to which we are assigned.

I suppose it is quite necessary and proper also for our Mission Boards to let the missionaries see the difficulties, and sometimes the grave uncertainties, of securing continued support for the work being done. None of us would wish that missionaries be sent back to the field under any false illusions as to the permanency of their position or of their support. We must recognize, however, that most of the younger men who are asked to return to China in these days are facing a terrific problem. It is hard enough for them to decide infavor of return to a country so filled with confusion and uncertainty as is China today. Any of them, regardless of the quality or sacrificial spirit of their work, may find themselves displaced at any time, due to interference from without, to petty jealousies within, or to over-confidence on the part of their Chinese colleagues that they no longer need the cooperation of Western colleagues. It is more than we have any right to ask of a man with a wife and small children to support, to request him to go back to China under such conditions as these, for we know that he is facing the probability that at some date in the future when he is older and less able to make a place for himself here in the West he may be left without employment of any kind. I have a warm admiration for all the men who are accepting the responsibility and going back to China under these conditions.

But our Mission Boards are placing, perhaps inevitably, a still further problem before their missionaries who contemplate return to the field. Practically all the Boards are saying to their missionaries quite frankly that they have for several years been facing a steady decline in income and have no assurance that the future will be any brighter. Again and again our office has dealt with cases where men whose return is earnestly desired, and who are themselves willing and anxious to go, are kept in this country because their Mission Boards have no funds to send them out. The situation is the more disheartening because it is usually the most experienced and most valuable men who are thus lost to the work just when they are in their prime of usefulness. They usually have children who are just at the most expensive age both to their Mission Boards and to themselves, so their salary and travel expenses are considerably higher than in the case of new appointees. Yet their value to the work is infinitely greater than that of any new appointee could possibly be. It is a disheartening spectacle to see year by year new appointees going out to try to replace the veterans who are thus lost to the work and to realize that among these new appointees who survive the rigid tests of the first and second terms will in turn be lost to the work just when they have reached their maximum value.

Cheeloo has been particularly unfortunate in this regard during recent years. Dr. Adolph, the head of our Chemistry Department, was lost to the University as a direct result of the short-sightedness of his Mission Board in not continuing his support during the summer of 1927. In

June, 1927, when Adolph had only three months more furlough, and when the University was urging his return in September 1927, his Mission Board advised him that, because of the financial difficulties they were in, and because of their uncertainty as to whether the University could continue its work in the fall, they would encourage him to seek some temporary employment in the United States so as to relieve the Board of his immediate salary and of the further responsibility it might have if return in the fall were impossible. Adolph, after several weeks of uncertainty during which I pleaded with his Board to adopt a different attitude in his specific case, finally accepted a teaching position here in the United States, and when in the fall the University did open up and want him to return, found that he was tied up for the year. The final outcome was that he did not return to China for two years and then went back to another institution. As a matter of fact, he did ultimately go back to the field under his own Board although he did so very reluctantly and only after he found that another source of support which he thought would be available when he made plans for return proved to be impossible.

One might refer to several other valuable men Cheeloo has lost during the last few years, but you are as well acquainted with the situation as am I.

I am profoundly distressed over the impending loss of Harkness because it is not at all improbable that his loss may be the final blow in producing a serious disruption of the work in the Colleges of Arts and Science. These two colleges have been in grave peril during the last year and we have all staked our hopes for their re-establishment this fall upon the expectation that Harkness, Carson, Lair, and Smith would be returning this fall. Smith almost certainly will not go back and there is some doubt about Lair and Carson, though I hope that both of them will return. If we lose Harkness we will have at best only two of the four men whose return has appeared to us to be absolutely imperative if the work in the Arts and Science is to go forward. I do not see where the field can for another man, either Chinese or Western, who can carry on the work in Physics as Harkness could do. With the experience he has already had on the field and with the benefit of these last years of special preparation here in America, he would be an invaluable asset to the University.

As I said earlier in this letter, I do not know that there is anything more any of us can do. I am writing Harkness a personal letter, but I am not at all optimistic of the result.

I sincerely appreciate the difficulties which you, as all other Mission Board secretaries, are facing these days in dealing with such a difficult problem of finance and personnel. I have no intention of defending Harkness' temperamental characteristics and I realize how difficult you in the Board Room must find it in dealing with such a temperamental genius. On the other hand, I cannot lose sight of the urgent need for Harkness at the University and the grave loss it will be to the work if he does not return.

Very cordially yours,

B. A. Garside

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Macdonald Physics Laboratory
McGill University, Montreal
May 30th, 1930.

Dr. R. T. Shields
President Cheeloo University,
Tsinan, Shantung, China.

Dear Dr. Shields:

Due to pressure of work I have postponed writing to you in detail regarding my resignation. I think it only fair that I should make my reasons quite clear to the University. Dr. Armstrong has no doubt communicated my resignation to you.

In the first place I hope the University will clearly understand that my resignation has nothing whatever to do with present or future chaotic conditions in China. That has never appreciably affected the matter. I have not lost my interest in the School, but on the contrary I believe as much as ever in the future possibilities of Cheeloo and other similar institutions. Indeed you know already that it is the only type of missionary work in which I believe. It is to me a matter of great regret that I shall not be associated with the future development of the university. I have perhaps put into Cheeloo the best years of my life, I found it practically without a Physics department at all and I left one of the best teaching college laboratories in China. I do not need to refer to the other phases of the university development with which I have been associated. So much of my life has gone into Cheeloo that I know you will believe that I do not take my present action without very serious consideration.

During the course of my correspondence with the University since 1927, I called particular attention to the unsatisfactory relation existing between the University and the missions. In my own case this resulted in an impossible situation in the spring and summer of 1928. I pointed out that unless this situation was rectified I did not care to return. Now the University has not encouraged me to think that anything will be done to improve matters.

Another point is that I returned to Canada in 1927 determined to put myself into the best possible position academically with the feeling that up to that time I had been deprived of fair opportunities of study because of my overgenerous consideration for the wishes of the university administration in 1922. I was also aware, as indeed the university was, that the standard of the staff at Cheeloo (Medical as well as Arts and Science) was much lower than it should be in view of registration with the government. It was too low from every point of view. This has been poignantly demonstrated in your failure to secure complete registration. I was particularly sensitive about my own shortcomings and both the university and the Board admitted the advisability of my remaining at home to study. But in 1928 the only support the Board offered was their pious resolutions. At the China end the C.M.B. refused point blank, upon no clear grounds, to grant me a fellowship. Appeals at home to Church and Y.M.C.A. organizations for assistance or work were met in a way which was just short of rudeness. This, in addition to my correspondence with the university and the Board should convince anyone of my wish to retain the closest relation with China.

Upon the otherhand, I have had the heartiest support from Canadian Schools, McGill University and through them from the National Research Councils. It is rightly pointed out to me now that I have obligations to education in my own country. I foresaw this in 1928 and the University and the Board should have foreseen it. I ask you to seriously consider the position in which I find myself.

Finally and perhaps not the least of my reasons is associated with the unsatisfactory position in which Westerns in educational work in China are placed today. There is no reason why I should go into detail, you know the situation as well as I do. It is right and proper, that when competent Chinese can be found they should be given positions in preference to Westerners. This means that no member of the staff can consider himself a fixture. His duty is really to make himself dispensable as soon as possible. This is the doctrine which has been preached by administrators in China for the last five years, at least. One must then face the possibility of a return, either by graceful retirement or ignominious expulsion, to the West at any time within the next decade let us say. The worry of this is crippling the work of many on the staffs of colleges in China today.

Over a year ago I wrote fully to Mr. Garside about this situation and spoke quite frankly of my own reaction to it. He replied by a most considerate and thoughtful letter in which he showed his complete knowledge of the situation. Yet Mr. Garside felt that the Boards would or could do nothing about it. How can men work contentedly and effectively upon less than a living wage with the possibility of a necessary permanent return home in five, ten or fifteen years. They would return without capital and out of touch with institutions at home. I write with feelings! I have just been through the experience of regaining, in part, my position at home and it has been most unpleasant. We have all suffered, perhaps Mrs. Harkness most of all.

In addition to the possibility of one's period of usefulness in China terminating, there is the precarious financial position in which the mission boards are today placed. I do not believe that this is temporary. I have lived for three years in an atmosphere quite apart from churches and missions and I have learned something of what intelligent people think. There is not any interest or confidence in missions as present popularly understood, practiced by the churches. These are all thoughtful and charitably minded people with wide human interests which are fundamentally Christian. I am not quoting from the crank or the cynic. The people whose opinion I refer to are interested in China, in internationalism and in the welfare of the world from a truly Christian point of view. They are keenly interested in institutions such as Cheeloo and Yenching when they understand what we are doing through these for international Christian understanding and service. If these institutions are to survive and retain the confidence and interest of the West they must make a new and an independent appeal based upon a programme of education - we have had enough propaganda of half truths - in which some of our Chinese leaders should play a prominent part.

To sum up, the reasons why I feel I cannot return to China, now at least, are:-

(1) The unsatisfactory relations to missions on the field. This involves the uncertainty as to movement and responsibility of the staff, makes regular furlough for study at periods of four or five years uncertain and tends to keep salaries at too low a level to live at Tsinan.

(2) My clear obligation to the institutions which have assisted me during the last three years.

(3) Fear of the future in view of the termination of one's period of usefulness in China and lack of confidence in the Boards at home.

If anything I have said will help to emphasize the necessity of action which will relieve, the western members of the staff from unnecessary worry because of the uncertainty of their future I shall feel that my resignation has been worth it.

Please believe that I shall do what little I can to interest people in Cheeloo.

Convey to the staff my sincere good wishes and profound admiration.

Ever sincerely yours,

Harold W. Harkness.

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June eleventh,
Nineteen thirty.

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Mr. B. A. Garside,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New Year City.

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Dear Mr. Garside;

I have your letter of June 6th with copy of Mr. Harkness's letter to Dr. Shields. He sent me a copy of his letter, accompanied by the following; "I am herewith sending you a copy of my letter to Dr. Shields. Yours sincerely " .

There is much that I would like to say about his letter to Dr. Shields, and also about the sentence you quoted from his letter to you, but I suppose it is not worth while taking my time or yours now since he has evidently settled the matter. I was in Wolfville, Nova Scotia, last week and you will be interested in knowing that he has accepted appointment to a position in Acadia University there. It is a University run by the Canadian Baptists. He is the second of our missionaries to join the staff, the other being Parker M. Bayne of our West China Mission.

It may be that you will desire to have Dr. Shields write you concerning what Mr. Harkness mentions as apparently the chief reason of his not returning, namely "unsatisfactory relations existing between the University and the Missions" (to quote from Mr. Harkness's letter to Dr. Shields) and which he says in his own case "resulted in an impossible situation in the spring and summer of 1928, and led him to point out that he did not care to return "unless this situation was rectified" .

If it were not for the great need of Cheeloo and of Professor Harkness's undoubted professional qualifications for the Physics Department I would not regret his not returning. Looking at it ~~however~~ from the point of view of the chief aim of Christian Missions to China, it does not appear that he has the essential qualifications for the fulfilment of that aim.

Besides while he complains that the relation

between the University and the Missions is not satisfactory, (whether or not he is right I cannot say) he certainly has not maintained proper relations with either his Mission or his Board. Had he returned to China I would not have said anything about it, but now that he is not returning I am free to say that his treatment of me as Honan secretary of the Board of which he was a missionary has been almost curt. This I think is borne out in part by the brevity of his letters, which brevity has almost amounted to discourtesy.

However, I am not saying anything to him about it but am on the other hand extending my best wishes in his work at Wolfville, of which by the way he has not informed me at all.

I do sympathise with him in the matter of the uncertainty about the future. It has to be admitted that if he returned to China he might be there only another term and not be required any longer, and our Board would be in a predicament as to what to do with him if it could not find a position for him in some other institution. Not being an ordained man, he could not return to Canada and take up work here. I think that Harkness has raised a real question which ought to receive consideration, though I do not see any solution for it.

With kind regards, I am

Yours sincerely,

A. E. Armstrong

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Copy for Mr. Garside

June eleventh,
Nineteen thirty.

Prof. H. W. Harkness, B.A.Sc.,
Macdonald Physics Laboratory,
McGill University, Montreal.

Dear Professor Harkness:

I acknowledge receipt of the copy of your letter of May 30th to Dr. Shields, and note the matters you raise in connection with your resignation from the staff of the School of Arts and Science of the Shantung Christian University.

I have heard from Mr. Garside that he has also received a copy of your letter, and it may be that he will raise the question discussed by you concerning what you think to be "the unsatisfactory relation existing between the University and the Missions" at the annual meeting of the Board of Governors to be held in London next month, or by requesting Dr. Shields to have the matter discussed and reported on by the Field Board of Managers.

I appreciate the uncertainty of tenure in which one finds himself on the staff of Cheeloo, or for that matter on any other Christian University in China, in view of the likelihood and desirability of Chinese stepping into the positions now held by foreigners whenever they are capable of doing so. You are not in the position of an ordained man who could come home and take a pastoral charge, and it might not be easy for you to return a few years hence and secure a satisfactory position in your own special line.

I do not find myself in agreement with you in what you say concerning the attitude of people with whom you have associated towards missionary work. I am not questioning the accuracy of your statement or your estimate, but I would simply remind you that there never was a time in the last hundred years when a great many well meaning people have not had the same attitude. I think knowledge of and interest in foreign missions have greatly increased in the last quarter century since I have been associated with the work. The present financial situation is I am convinced but temporary, though I note you think otherwise. The

people of the United Church gave 14% more than the three Churches gave in their best year before the Union. There was a decrease last year in the givings of the people of the United Church over the givings of 1928, but that was due to a combination of circumstances unprecedented in the last twenty years.

While in Wolfville the other day I was talking with Professor Evans, and I now extend to you my best wishes for your work in connection with Acadia University.

With kind regards to Mrs. Harkness and yourself, I am

Yours sincerely,

A E Armstrong

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With kind regards to Mrs. Harmons and your-
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Shantung Christian University

June 14, 1950

Dr. A. E. Armstrong,
The United Church of Canada,
Toronto 2, Can.

My dear Dr.Armstrong:

Let me acknowledge your letter of June 11 in regard to Mr.Harkness.

As I wrote on June 6, I am afraid there is nothing more to be done in Mr.Harkness' case. Let me assure you very heartily that I sympathize keenly with your viewpoint and recognize the difficulties you have had in dealing with Professor Harkness' case and the prolonged and earnest effort you have made to secure his return to the University. I clearly recognize the fact that I am very partial to Harkness, for during the three years I was with him on the Cheeloo campus I came to have a profound admiration and a warm affection for him. This is in spite of the fact that, after one or two encounters with him, I felt for a while that hanging would be entirely too kind a fate for him.

Very cordially yours,

B. A. Garside

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Shantung Christian University

October 9, 1950

Mrs. H. R. Inksater,
148 Lawton Blvd.,
Toronto, Can.

My dear Mrs. Inksater:

Let me acknowledge receipt of your letter of October 5.

I am very much puzzled that the administrative officers at Cheeloo were not more prompt in submitting to the Council of your Woman Mission the University's request for an annual appropriation of Mex.$2,000 from the Woman's Missionary Society. Possibly some part of the correspondence between the University and the Mission went astray; or else the unusual difficulties under which the administrative officers of the University have been laboring during the past year may have caused this item to be overlooked.

There can be no doubt whatever as to the urgent need of the University for all the financial assistance it can secure. I have just received from the office of the Vice President very urgent letters asking that we plead with the various cooperating Mission Boards to maintain and to increase their contributions to the University this year because of the acuteness of the financial problems with which it is now struggling. We earnestly hope, therefore, that even though there may be difficulties or delays in completing the technical procedure involved, the Woman's Missionary Society will this year give the University the maximum possible contribution.

The annual meeting of the Cheeloo Board of Governors in London instructed Dr. Weir and myself "to consult with the various cooperating Boards and agencies as to the amounts of their appropriations to Cheeloo, and to advise the field of any corrections, which shall then be so incorporated into the budget by the field as to maintain the balance between income and expenditure". I would appreciate it if you would supply, or would ask the proper person within your Society to supply, this information as to the appropriations the Woman's Missionary Society is making to Cheeloo for the fiscal year 1950-51. The information I am seeking from the various cooperating Boards may be divided into the following subheads:

(a) Staff. Names of staff members, amount of salary and allowances, and way in which salary is paid (that is, in gold, in Mex. at Prevailing rate of exchange, or in Mex. at flat 2 to 1).

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Let me acknowledge receipt of your letter of October 5.

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There can be no doubt whatever as to the urgent need of the University for all the financial assistance it can secure. I have just received from the office of the Vice President very urgent letters asking that we plead with the various cooperating Mission Boards to maintain and to increase their contributions to the University this year because of the acuteness of the financial problems with which it is now struggling. We earnestly hope, therefore, that even though there may be difficulties or delays in completing the technical procedure involved, the Woman's Missionary Society will this year give the University the maximum possible contribution.

The annual meeting of the Cheeloo Board of Governors in London instructed Dr. Weir and myself "to consult with the various cooperating Boards and agencies as to the amounts of their appropriations to Cheeloo, and to advise the field of any corrections, which shall then be so incorporated into the budget by the field as to maintain the balance between income and expenditure". I would appreciate it if you would supply, or would ask the proper person within your Society to supply, this information as to the appropriations the Woman's Missionary Society is making to Cheeloo for the fiscal year 1950-51. The information I am seeking from the various cooperating Boards may be divided into the following subheads:

(a) Staff. Names of staff members, amount of salary and allowances, and way in which salary is paid (that is, in gold, in Mex. at Prevailing rate of exchange, or in Mex. at flat 2 to 1).

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(b) Cash in lieu of vacancies. Number of vacancies for which Mission Board is providing cash grants, amount of such grants, and method by which payment is made.

(c) Cash appropriation toward general University budget. Amount of such appropriation and manner in which payment is made.

(d) Any special items of appropriation, with necessary details and explanations.

(e) Fiscal year. Date of beginning and end of Mission Board's fiscal year for which the above appropriations are made.

I believe that the Woman's Missionary Society will not have any items to report under some of the above sub-heads, but for the sake of uniformity I am giving the full outline of information being asked from the various boards. As soon as this information has been received from the different Mission Boards I will transmit it to the field.

A meeting of the North American Section of the Shantung Board of Governors should be held sometime this autumn. As yet we have not reached any definite decision as to the date. I would appreciate it if you would drop me a note at your convenience indicating in a general way when it would be most convenient for you to attend such a meeting of the section.

Very cordially yours,

B. A. Garside

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TRANSFER

October 10, 1930

Dr. A. E. Armstrong,
299 Queen St. West,
Toronto 2, Can.

My dear Dr.Armstrong:

Let me acknowledge receipt of your letter of October 6.

Our office has sent direct to Rowell, Reid, Wright and McMillan the University's check for the amount of their fee for professional services rendered last year.

You will probably remember that it was at the annual meeting of the Board of Governors held on April 8, 1929, that the Governors, in electing the officers of the Board, (undoubtedly influenced by the thought that your duties both as Recording Secretary and Treasurer of the Section were much too heavy) divided these responsibilities by continuing you as Recording Secretary and electing Mr.Henry J.Cochran as Treasurer of the Board. The same slate of officers was continued by the annual meeting of the Board held in London. At the present time, therefore, Mr.Henry Cochran is presumably the one who is the presiding financial custodian of the Board's funds. As a matter of fact, the position of Treasurer of the Board is as yet a purely nominal one since the Treasurers of the two Sections, Mrs.Shaw in New York and Mr.Judd in London, handle all the University funds. We are paying this particular bill for professional services from the fund of the North American Section. The item is so small it would hardly be worth while to ask our British colleagues to reimburse us for their share of the expense.

You will have noted that the Governors at their meeting in London directed Dr.Weir and myself "to consult with the various cooperating Boards and agencies as to the amounts of their appropriations to Cheeloo, and to advise the field of any corrections, which shall then be so incorporated into the budget by the field as to maintain the balance between income and expenditure". For the last two months I have been trying to compile from the statistical information we have received from the field an intelligible and fairly complete statement of what each of the cooperating Mission Boards is expected to contribute to the University this year. I have discovered, however, that it is impossible for me to prepare any satisfactory statement from the very meagre information we have received from Tsinan. I am forced, therefore, to ask each of the North American Mission Boards cooperating in the University to compile for us the details of this information.

I should greatly appreciate it if you would ask the proper offi-

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ours of the Foreign Mission Board of the United Church of Canada send us information on the following facts relative to your appropriation to Chee-loo for the fiscal year 1930-31:-

(a) Staff. Names of staff members, amount of salary and allowances, and way in which salary is paid (that is, in gold, in Mex. at prevailing rate of exchange, or in Mex. at a flat 2 to 1).

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I am anxious to obtain this information from the various Mission Boards with as little delay as possible, as the current fiscal year at Cheeloo is already well under way and it will be increasingly difficult to make any modifications necessitated by the information we may receive from the various Boards.

Mail has just arrived from Tsinan bringing the welcome information that the University began its work in September under reasonably satisfactory conditions and with a fair enrolment. This is more than we dared hope for. I trust that the coming months will see North China gradually becoming more peaceful, and that the University will be able to conduct its work during this academic year with a great deal less disturbance without and within than has been the case for several years.

No progress has been made, so far as I know, in the manner of securing additional foreigners for the staff at Cheeloo. This is one of the extremely urgent problems the University is facing. Any new staff members would certainly have to be appointed and supported by the various cooperating Mission Boards for the University has absolutely no available funds for securing additional staff members under the general University budget. If your Board is able to find anyone who might replace Harkness in the Department of Physics I hope you will get into touch with the University immediately, looking toward appointment. I have had no recent information from Tsinan as to what vacancies in the foreign staff they consider should be filled first. This is a point on which I am now making inquiries.

There should be a meeting of the North American Section sometime this fall. As yet we have not reached any decision as to the date. I would appreciate it if you would send me at your convenience a note indicating in a general way when it would be most convenient for you to attend such a meeting.

Very cordially yours,

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June eighteenth,
Nineteen thirty.

TRANSFER

Mr. B. A. Garside,
150 Fifth Avenue,
NEW YORK CITY.

Dear Mr. Garside:

I thank you for your letters of June 6th and 14th regarding Mr. Harkness, and especially for the former which was so long and full.

There is nothing more to be said on this matter. We are losing an able man from the academic point of view especially.

What is the next step in connection with the very difficult situation Cheeloo is facing, I do not know, and I hope the Annual Meeting of the Board of Governors will reveal something that will spell progress for the institution.

Sincerely yours,

A. E. Armstrong

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Oct. 6, 1930.

Mr. B. A. Garside,
150 Fifth Ave.,
NEW YORK, N.Y.

Paid 10/8/30

Dear Mr. Garside:

I enclose bill for professional services of Rowell, Reid, Wright & McMillan which you will remember is in connection with the matter you asked me to consult them about last year.

I am not sure whether I am still supposed to be Treasurer of the Board of Governors or not but in any case I have been as inactive in that capacity as in the other capacity of Recording Secretary. Nor do I know what funds, if any, you have on hand for the Shantung University but hope you will find some way of paying this legal bill of $15.00.

When writing me perhaps you will be good enough to let me know if there is any progress being made in the matter of securing foreigners for the staff, particularly in the Physics Department. I have of course the Minutes of the Board of Governors' Meeting in London in June. Has there been anything of importance happened since? Will there be need for a N.A. action meeting this fall?

With kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

A. E. Armstrong.

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November 1, 1930.

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Mr. B.A. Garside,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

See also Armstrong's letter of November 11, 1930

Dear Mr. Garside:

In your letter of Oct. 10th you ask for information on certain facts relating to the extent of our connection with Shantung Christian University. The accompanying page will, I think, give you the information you desire.

It would seem as though, so far as our information goes, ~~that~~ our Honan Treasurer, Mr. Hugh MacKenzie, may not have paid all that was due the University in lieu of Prof. Harkness, and also possibly in the matter of Augustine Library. I may be wrong about this, because I would expect the Treasurer of the University would check up with Mr. MacKenzie, as of course that is the proper way to handle it rather than through this office after we have made our appropriation for the year.

It may be, of course, that when a cut in the appropriation to our Honan Mission was ordered that the Mission applied part of the cut to Shantung University and hence possibly the reduction inthe amount paid in lieu of Prof. Harkness. As you know, it is always a difficult matter to make a reduction in the appropriation to an institution, and yet it does not seem fair when retrenchment is ordered that the Mission Council should, in considering reducing its expenditures to the reduced amount voted by the Board, be in effect estopped from making the cut applicable to a cooperative institution.

will enquire

You also ask if we can do anything to replace Harkness in the Department of Physics. I have not been looking for anyone for two reasons - first, because of our financial position, and the other, because I was not aware that the University wishes us to make an appointment. I thought they were looking for a man in China, possibly a Chinese. I do not think I have had any word that they wished us to send a man from Canada.

Yours sincerely,

A E Armstrong

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(a) STAFF: Dr. William McClure $1500

Dr. E. B. Struthers 1950 + $550 Children's allowance

*Rev.R.A.Mitchell,M.A.,D.D. 2150

$6150

* temporarily serving on the Theological Faculty in Rev.Dr.J.D.MacRae's absence.

Regulation re Exchange

"In case the Chinese Silver dollar or the Japanese yen falls below the value of fifty cents,gold, salaries and allowances shall be paid at the current rate; otherwise, at the fixed rate of $1 gold =$ 2 Silver or Yen 2."

(b) Cash in lieu of vacancies

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In 1929, $1311 was paid in lieu of Prof. H.W.Harkness, who was on extended leave of absence; for the period January to June, 1930, the Honan Mission Treasurer shows only $291 as having been paid on this account.

(c) Toward the general University budget - $1500.00

(d) Special items of appropriation - In 1929, $600 was paid toward the maintenance of the Augustine Library. In the January-June,1930, financial statement, Mr. MacKenzie reports $500 as having been paid on this account.

(e) Fiscal Year - Calendar year

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November fifth,
Nineteen thirty.

Mr. B. A. Garside,
Dr. H.H.Weir,
New York City.

Dear Mr. Garside and Dr. Weir;

I am sending each of you this letter because I am worried about the financial situation of Cheeloo. You know it of course as well or better than I. A letter has just come in from Dr. Shields and I take it you have received one also, or at any rate the statement of the financial condition of the School of Medicine which accompanied it. With the price of commodities advancing it is of course mathematically impossible for them to carry on with the same number of Mexican dollars when those dollars have fallen so greatly in value.

Am I raising an impractical question when I ask could not the Boards authorise their Missions to pay their appropriations to Cheeloo in gold instead of in Mexican? I think this is reasonable and we ought to do anything we can to help our missionaries in China in view of the present very low rate of exchange. Our Board has always considered our appropriation to be in gold.

Yours sincerely,

A. E. Armstrong.

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Shantung Christian University

November 5, 1930

Dr. A. E. Armstrong,
299 Queen Street, West,
Toronto 2, Can.

My dear Dr. Armstrong:

Let me acknowledge receipt of your letter of November 1.

We are grateful to you for supplying the information contained in this letter relative to the appropriation being made by the United Church of Canada to the work at Cheeloo during the current fiscal year. I find, however, that at one or two points I need somewhat fuller information before I can make an accurate report to the North American Section and to the field:-

1. Are the figures of $1,311.00 paid in 1929 in lieu of Professor Harkness, and the $291.00 paid during the first half of 1930 for this same purpose, gold figures or Mexican figures? If they are in gold, was payment made in gold or in Mexican? If in Mexican, was the rate of exchange used a flat rate of 2 to 1, or the prevailing market rate.

2. Is the appropriation of $1,500 toward the general University budget a gold figure or a Mex.figure? If a gold figure, is the appropriation paid in gold or in Mexican? If in Mexican, is a 2 to 1 rate of exchange used, or is the prevailing market rate used?

3. Are the figures of $600 paid toward the maintenance of the Augustine Library in 1929, and $500 for this same purpose in the first half of 1930 gold amounts or Mexican amounts? If gold, were the payments made in gold or in Mexican; and if in Mexican, what was the rate of exchange used?

I am sorry to have to ask these further questions, but we have found that the procedure used by the various Mission Boards is so diverse that we are never quite sure just what a figure with only a dollar sign in front of it may mean.

The inquiry in my letter of October 10, as to your attitude toward finding someone to replace Harkness in the Department of Physics, was intended simply to ascertain how the matter stands at present. I have had no direct word from the field on the question, but wrote to them some weeks ago and am hoping for a reply in the near future. I presume that no further steps are necessary at this end until we have ascertained the wishes of the field.

We note from the copy of your letter to Mr.Moss that you were considering the possibility of attending a meeting for Dr.Tagore and Mr.Andrews here in New York around the twentieth of November. Mr.Moss tells me, however, that Dr.Tagore's recent illness, necessitating the cancellation of all his engagements, has made it impossible to plan such a meeting at any time in the near future. I am afraid, therefore, that there is no hope of your being drawn to New York for this purpose. A few days ago we sent you a preliminary inquiry as to your availability for a meeting of the Cheeloo Board during the latter part of November. We would be very happy indeed if we could secure your attendance at such a meeting, though I am not sure that matters now pending are of sufficient importance to justify your taking the time for a trip from Toronto for this one meeting alone. Are there any other meetings here in the city which you may be attending either during the latter part of November or the early part of December? We might be able to shift ourCheeloo meeting to correspond.

Very cordially yours,

B.A. Garside

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November 11, 1930.

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Mr. B. A. Garside,
China Union Universities,
150 Fifth Ave.,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Garside:

I have your letter of November 5th asking with reference to my letter of November 1st re appropriations to Cheeloo.

The figures I quoted are all in gold. Payment in each case was made in Mexican at the guaranteed rate of two to one.

I raised with you the question as to whether or not the co-operating Boards should not now pay in gold in view of the higher cost of commodities and the very low rate of exchange. Dr. Egbert Smith states that his Board will consider it and I am prepared to have our Executive this week consider it, and I hope act favourably upon it. I hope this answers your queries.

Re Department of Physics, I note in a recent number of the Bulletin that a Chinese has become the head.

Re meeting of North American section, I note that the matters are not of sufficient importance to justify my making a trip from Toronto. At present I know of no other meeting there that is likely to call for my attendance unless you find something from Moss.

Sincerely yours,

A. E. Armstrong.

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November 14, 1930.

TRANSFER

Mr. B. A. Garside,
China Union Universities,
150 Fifth Ave., New York City.

Dear Mr. Garside:

I have your note of November 12th accompanying the notice of meeting of the North American section of Shantung Christian University at 1:45 P. M., 25th instant.

Dr. Arnup will be in New York that day attending the World's Sunday School Association Executive meeting. He will divide his time between that meeting and yours, and will plan to be with you at 1:45. Like Dr. Endicott, he will bring to bear upon matters affecting Shantung University his knowledge of West China Union University, and the experience of a recent trip to China. You will, therefore, please excuse me from attending as I have no other reason for going to New York; and I judge the matters to be dealt with are not sufficiently important to justify a special trip which I would gladly make if advisable.

Perhaps you have received from China the information that Dr. William McClure wishes to retire at the end of February. Our Executive Committee this week complied with his request though we shall retain him on our list of missionaries for some time after the end of February. A resolution regarding the life and work of Dr. McClure, who was one of the founders of our Honan Mission in 1888, was endorsed. As you know, this does not create a vacancy for us as Dr. E. B. Struthers is our representative on the Medical School staff of Cheeloo. Dr. McClure was extra. I may add that Dr. Struthers' family are here, but he started only this month from China and will spend some time attending a Medical convention at Bangkok and taking a short course in the School of Tropical Medicine in Calcutta, arriving here next spring.

With kind regards.

Sincerely yours,

A. E. Armstrong

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Shantung Christian University

December 5, 1950

Mrs. H. R. Inksater,
146 Lawton Blvd.
Toronto, Can.

TRANSFER

My dear Mrs.Inksater:

Let me acknowledge receipt of your letter of November 20. We sincerely regret that you found it impossible to attend the meeting of the North American Section on November 25, but we appreciate the fact that it is extremely difficult for those of you who live in Toronto to make a trip to New York simply to attend a single meeting of this kind.

The fact that yourSociety has approved the grant of G$1,000 for the University for next year is indeed encouraging.

I am enclosing a copy of the minutes of the meeting of the Section. You will notice that there is appended to the minutes a table summarizing the contributions of the various Boards. I have not as yet received detailed information of the contribution your Society is making to the work at Cheeloo, so I have put down Gold $1,500 as the approximate figure we generally use to cover all expenses of salary and allowances for a single member of the staff as representing your contribution in supporting Miss Brodie on the nursing staff of the University; and have also shown your cash contribution as G$1,000. I would appreciate it if you would give us these figures more exactly at your convenience.

I feel that we had a very successful meeting of the Section. It has been followed up by a meeting of our Committee on Promotion, which has taken some rather constructive steps toward relieving the critical financial situation just now confronting the University. I most earnestly hope that the various cooperating Boards will find it possible to accede to the earnest plea of the Section that contributions normally made in local currency be given, for this year at least, in gold values at a two to one rate of exchange. I believe this request does not affect the contribution of the Woman's Missionary Society which is already stated as Gold $1,000. Since this contribution is stated in gold we understand that the University will receive either the gold amount or its actual equivalent in local currency at the prevailing favorable rate of exchange.

Very sincerely yours,

B. A. Garside

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Shantung Christian University

December 13, 1930

Dr. A. E. Armstrong,
299 Queen Street, West,
Toronto 2, Can.

My dear Dr.Armstrong:

Several days ago we mailed you a copy of the minutes of the meeting of the North American Section held on November 25, but I have been delayed in writing you this letter commenting on the meeting and the actions taken.

I trust that the minutes are, on the whole, self-explanatory. You will note that the Section cleared up a substantial quantity of business, and I hope that the work was fairly well done. We were very much gratified to have Dr.Arnup present with us, but regret that neither you nor Mrs.Inksater found it possible to be present.

The problems which occupied the center of the Section's attention were those relating to the financial situation at the University. More than half of the time of the meeting was spent in a discussion of these important matters. The minutes will show you the decisions reached by the Section as to the steps which seemed most lokely to produce beneficial results.

In particular I would call your attention to action NAS-259 which reads as follows:

> "VOTED that in view of the exigencies of the present time and the urgency of the financial crisis confronting Shantung Christian University, the cooperating Mission Boards in North America which make appropriations to the University in Chinese local currency be asked to revise these appropriations on a gold basis; this policy to be subject to restudy by the Mission Boards whenever the situation becomes relatively more stable."

Appendix B attached to the minutes shows in tabular form the amounts being received from the various cooperating North American Boards, and the manner in which these payments are made. You will note that a majority of the cooperating Boards are paying their cash grants to the University on a Mexican basis rather than a gold basis. We earnestly hope that these Boards will agree to the payment of these cash appropriations, for the current fiscal year at least, on a gold basis, and for amounts in

gold equal to one-half the figure set forth in Mexican. Your letter of November 11 indicated that you favored such an action by the Board of Foreign Missions of the United Church of Canada. We sincerely hope that it will be possible for your Board to accede to this request of the Section. We inferred from your letter of November 11 that favorable action might be obtained before this but as yet we have had no further word from you in regard to the matter.

With all good wishes for the approaching holiday season, I am

Very cordially yours,

B. A. Garside

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February 26, 1931

Dr. A. E. Armstrong,
290 Queen Street West,
Toronto 2, Can.

My dear Dr.Armstrong:

I have just received from Miss Maida Morton-Smith, the office secretary in the Cheeloo School of Medicine, a copy of the mailing list which you sent to the University in February 1926. Miss Morton-Smith asks us to make the necessary corrections in this list to bring it up to date. I find that our office records do not give up-to-date addresses for most of the people on this list. I note that a few addresses we know have now been changed, and I am sure that there are a number of other changes necessary to correct the entire list.

It seems that the simplest and quickest way to revise the list is to ask that someone in your office go through it and make the necessary corrections. If this is not asking too much we would greatly appreciate it if you would have the corrections made and would then return the list to us for passing along to Miss Morton-Smith. While your secretary is retyping the corrected list would it be convenient for her to make an additional copy for our files here in New York?

Very cordially yours,

B.A. Garside

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Shantung Christian University

March 4, 1951

Mr. A. B. Armstrong,
299 Queen St. West,
Toronto 2, Can.

My dear Dr.Armstrong:

Let me acknowledge receipt of your letter of March 2. We are grateful to you for sending the revised and enlarged list of persons in Canada to whom information may be sent from time to time by the Cheeloo School of Medicine.

I am enclosing a copy of this list to Miss Morton-Smith. I am also correcting my New York mailing list of Cheeloo friends so as to include all the names on the list and to bring addresses up to date.

This morning's mail brings me a copy of the letter Mr.Hawkins wrote you on February 23, together with a covering note to myself from Mr.Hawkins. We are indeed happy to know that there is a possibility that both Mr.Hawkins and Mr.Maclennan will be in New York during the first three weeks of September and would be available for attendance at the annual meeting of the Cheeloo Board of Governors sometime during the week beginning September 13. I have been in correspondence with Dr.Weir with regard to the date of the annual meeting of the Cheeloo Governors here in New York during the fall, but we have not reached any very definite decisions as to dates, chiefly because heretofore there has been little prospect of securing any attendance from the British Section at any time during the autumn. So far as I can see, there should be no difficulty in arranging a meeting of the Cheeloo Governors at some time during the week beginning September 13. This time may be just a little early for some members of the North American Section who are normally rather late getting back from their summer vacations, but I am sure that we should be able to obtain a satisfactory attendance. And with Mr.Hawkins and Mr.Maclennan available at that time we must by all means arrange the date to suit their convenience.

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Mr. B. A. Garside,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

Dear Mr. Garside:

We appreciate your offer of Feb. 13th to mail some copies of the Report of the School of Medicine of Shantung Christian University to any people whose names we give you. I think the report would be of interest to our Medical Board. I could, of course, give you other names of people in Canada who might be interested, but the following will be all we should ask for :

Dr.A.G.McPhedran	330 Medical Arts Bldg.,170 St.George St.,Toronto, Canada
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mailed 2/25/31

Yours sincerely,

A. E. Armstrong
per. b.

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March 5, 1931.

Mr. B.A. Garside,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York, N.Y.,
U.S.A.

Dear Mr. Garside,

You have received from Mr. Hawkins copy of a letter he sent me on Feb. 23rd concerning meeting of Shantung Board of Governers. I think the week beginning 13th September which seems to suit Mr. Maclennan and him will be satisfactory for me, but the week beginning September 20th would be much more suitable for the Committee of Reference and Counsel meets 23rd and 24th so that I would prefer it, say on the 22nd or 25th. I wonder if the 22nd would not suit our British friends. I shall, of course, accommodate myself to the earlier date if it is necessary but I naturally do not want to go to the expenditure of time and money to make two trips in two weeks to New York.

With kind regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

A.E. Armstrong.

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P.S. Perhaps you will know of someone else in New York who knows how long Hawkins and Maclennan can stay over.

A.E.A.

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June 12, 1931.

Mr. B.A. Garside,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York, U.S.A.

Dear Mr. Garside,

On Thursday evening next, June 18th, we are planning to have a dinner in honour of Dr. A.E. Armstrong, who is now completing twenty-five years of secretarial service. Were you nearer we should request your presence, but we shall be most happy to receive from you a few words of felicitation to be read on that occasion.

Very sincerely yours,

James Endicott.

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Shantung Christian University

March 11, 1931

Dr. A. E. Armstrong,
299 Queen Street West,
Toronto 2, Can.

My dear Dr.Armstrong:

Let me acknowledge receipt of your letter of March 5.

We have this morning received a further letter from Mr.Hawkins with which he encloses a copy of a letter he wrote you on March 3. this latest letter from Mr.Hawkins says that he and Mr.Maclennan will be in New York City during the week beginning September 20 and would be available for a meeting of the Cheeloo Governors on either September 22 or September 25, orthe two dates which you indicate as your preferences.

I am at this time sending a letter of inquiry to all members of the North American Section asking whether they would be available for a meeting on September 22. I am suggesting September 25 as a second choice and September 21 as a third choice if the other two dates are impossible for too many of the members. It seems, however, that either the twenty-second or the twenty-fifth should be quite satisfactory for such a meeting.

As soon as we have had replies from most of the Section I will write again.

Very cordially yours,

B A Garside

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SHANTUNG June 18, 1931

Dr.James Endicott
299 Queen Street West,
Toronto, Canada

Shantung Board of Governors and other friends in and around New York extend to Dr.A.E.Armstrong heartiest felicitations on his completion of twenty five years of distinguished secretarial service to ~~the~~ foreign missions and join in good wishes for long and happy continuation in the work

B. A. GARSIDE

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Mr. B.A. Garside,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York City,
U.S.A.

Dear Mr. Garside,

I have your letter of the 6th asking for a suitable date around the end of October for a meeting of the four C's Committee.

I have just received an invitation to be present at the 40th anniversary of the election of Dr. Speer at 156 Fifth Avenue at 3:00, Nov. 2nd.

I had intended writing you about the meeting of the four C's Committee that I would not be able to attend partly because of time and partly because of expense, augmented now owing to the heavy discount on the Canadian dollars However, I would like to accept the invitation in connection with Dr. Speer's 40th anniversary and at the same time avail myself of the privilege of being present at your meeting if it can be held on the same day or the next day.

Accordingly you will see that I have signed the card as favouring the morning or evening of November 2nd, especially the morning. Or the morning or/and afternoon of Tuesday, November 3rd, if you cannot have it on the morning of November 2nd. In fact the evening of November 2nd is no better for me than the morning and afternoon of November 3rd because if it is held on the evening of the 2nd I would have to be absent ~~present~~ for the whole of November 3rd also.

I hope that the fact that you had printed on the card the first few days of November as well as October 30th indicates that the 2nd or 3rd of November may be suitable to other members.

With kind regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

A.E. Armstrong

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Mr. B.A. Garside,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York City,
U.S.A.

Dear Mr. Garside,

I have your notice of Nov. 15th for meeting of North American Section of Shantung Board of Governors next Monday. I am sorry I cannot be there. I am booked for the Sunday and cannot possibly get the night train to New York.

I note that you speak of this as "an extremely important meeting." I presume you mean that the matter of one joint Board for the Colleges of China will be up for consideration. My opinion is that the North American Section should proceed cautiously in this matter and at this meeting merely discuss it and then communicate with the British Section without definitely committing the North American Section at this time. That is, I would like to see the matter left pretty largely for discussion at the annual meeting of the Board of Governors when both sections are present. I suppose that many other College Boards will not be able to take action upwards of a year and therefore the time element is not specially serious.

Regretting that I cannot be with you,

I am

Sincerely yours,

A. E. Armstrong

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Mr. B.A. Garside,
China Union Universities,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York, N.Y.,
U.S.A.

My dear Garside,

I enclose letter from Dr. Weir. I am sending it to you because of the last paragraph and especially the last sentence of that paragraph in which he expresses a doubt regarding any very important business. There may be other things that I could do profitably in the old country, especially study. I do not know of any Board meetings or conferences though of course if I go I may attend, in behalf of the United Church, certain annual meetings of the churches over there. Warnshuis mentioned to me when I was at the Committee of Reference and Council meeting last week that he hoped I would go to the International Missionary Council meeting at Herrnhut in case I go to England. I presume that would simply add to the expense of the trip, however, and the expense may be the determining factor in whether I go at all or not. If you have any further light to give me I shall appreciate it.

Sorry I did not find time to see you last week as I had hoped to do.

Sincerely yours,

A.E. Armstrong

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P.S. I can imagine how good you are feeling just now with regard to the set-back which the Nippon military machine is encountering. Here's hoping that it will help the peacably inclined Japanese people to achieve the overthrow of their militaristic regime.

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Shantung Christian University

February 26, 1932.

Dr. A. E. Armstrong,
220 Queen St., West,
Toronto 2, Canada

My dear Dr. Armstrong:

I am enclosing herewith a copy of a letter I have written to Dr. Weir on various Cheeloo matters. Will you note particularly what I have said in the closing paragraphs with regard to the annual Cheeloo meeting.

Since I talked with you in Toronto, I have consulted informally with various members of our Cheeloo Executive Committee, and find all of them hearty in their expressions of the hope that you may be able to attend the meeting of the Governors in London this year. They also agreed that if this meeting is one of the determining factors in your deciding to make the trip across the Atlantic, that our North American Section should bear whatever amount is a fair share of your expenses.

I am sorry I did not get to see you when you were in New York last week. I can appreciate however, that you were quite busy every minute of the time you were here.

I have your letter of February 24th, and note that you are still considering various questions connected with your proposed trip across. I hope that all these questions work out satisfactorily and that you decide to make the journey.

Apparently the work of our colleges continues to work smoothly in spite of the disturbances in the lower Yangtze Valley and in Manchuria. Recent cablegrams from the field indicated a growing uneasiness lest these troubles may spread to other areas in China. It becomes more and more apparent that the Japanese have blundered into an extremely serious situation where they are sure to meet with disaster whether they go forward or withdraw.

With all good wishes, I am,

Very cordially yours,

B.A. Garside

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Enc.

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Shantung Christian University

CC: Dr. Armstrong

February 25, 1952.

Dr. Hugh H. Weir,
Edinburgh House,
2 Eaton Gate,
London, S.W.1, England

My dear Dr. Weir:

Let me acknowledge receipt of your letter of February 21st.

We are glad to have the Minutes of the January 29th meeting of the British Section of the Cheeloo Governors, and the comments thereon which are given in your letter to Dr. Armstrong.

Only a few brief comments on the British Section meeting seem to be required:- I know that the North American Section agrees heartily with the judgment of the British Section that no expansion should be undertaken at this time that would involve the expenditure of funds now already in hand, or would cause any substantial income of the sum necessary to meet the current expenses of the institution. The action of the Executive Committee of the North American Section at the meeting of January 21st, NASEC 284, goes only so far as giving approval to the proposals of Dr. Shields for the new construction required to take care of the urgent light and power requirements, and to provide the out-patient facilities which are very badly needed. This construction can be completed without using more than a small fraction of the funds on hand, is really the completion of the first unit of the contemplated construction of the new hospital, and will not involve much, if any, increase in the current expenses of the medical school and hospital. Both the exchange situation and the unusually low cost of construction in China just now are important favorable factors. I am sure that the field will give careful consideration to the possibility of serious military or political disturbances that might endanger the property of the institution before they go ahead with new construction.

I am glad to note the cordial action of the British Section in regard to Dr. Butterfield's memorandum. Copies of this memorandum were sent to the field some months ago with out informal recommendations that the field give this material their careful study. While our North American Section has not gone on record quite so formally in expressing its approval of this memorandum, I believe that the cordial reception we have given to Dr. Butterfield's reports, and the way we have recommended both his and his work on numerous occasions in the past will be sufficient to convince the field of our anxiety that they shall give Dr. Butterfield's memorandum the most serious consideration, and will do everything

possible to put his suggestions into practise.

I am very grateful to you for your comments on the proposals of recent months looking to the closer relationship of the Western Governing Boards of our China colleges. I find myself in complete agreement with all your comments on this matter. I believe that the looser form of cooperation contemplated by the proposals for the Associated Boards for Christian Colleges in China will prove much more acceptable as a beginning than would have the Joint Board originally proposed. All the comments I have thus far received from Great Britain seem to indicate that the trend of your thinking there is that your present United Committee for Christian Universities in China will at least provide a very satisfactory beginning for such a cooperative movement on your side of the Atlantic, and may quite probably prove to be very satisfactory in its present form. I am sure that we should be able to arrange for the fullest cooperation between associations of our college boards in Great Britain and North America regardless of the degree to which these organizations parallel each other.

We have this week had a very interesting two-day conference with representatives of practically all our College boards at which we undertook a thorough discussion of the Correlated Program as now proposed. The meeting gave a much more serious and detailed study to the problems and implications of the Correlated Program than has heretofore been given to these matters here in North America. While we made some very substantial progress, we did not complete our work, and it was agreed to hold a further conference in April, about the same time as the annual meetings of several of our boards are usually held. We will be sending Mr. Sewell a supply of the Minutes of this joint conference for distribution in Great Britain. We will also send you a copy of the Minutes and of any covering letter we may address to Mr. Sewell.

I have been making inquiries as to representatives of the North American Section whom we may hope to have present at the annual Cheeloo meeting in London this spring. We are hoping that Dr. Armstrong will be able to attend, and if this can be arranged he will be able to represent the North American Section most effectively. Others whom we have at least a slight hope may attend include Dr. Warnshuis, Dr. Speer, Dr. Diffendorfer, and Miss Calder (American Board).

When I talked with Dr. Warnshuis as to the most satisfactory date of the meeting of the Cheeloo Board he suggested that, in order to fit in with other conferences, it seemed desirable that this meeting be held as early as possible beginning in the week of June 20th. He proposed June 20th as the date that would seem most satisfactory, with June 21st and 22nd as other possible alternatives. He spoke of a conference being held in High Leigh, which would demand the attendance of a number of those whom we are hoping to have present at the Cheeloo meeting. He also emphasized the necessity of allowing time after the Cheeloo meeting for making the journey to Herrnhut before the meeting of the International Missionary conference.

You will be thoroughly familar with the dates of all these meetings, and the time allowance which must be made for travel, and will be the best judge of the date that would be set for the Cheeloo meeting.

While awaiting final word from you as to the date of the Cheeloo meeting I will approach in a general way the various individuals whom we hope will be able to attend as representatives of the North American Section, and will urge them to keep their plans open for this meeting.

Very cordially yours,

B. A. Garside

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March 1, 1932.

Ack 3.17.32

Mr. B.A. Garside,
China Union Universities, Central Office,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York City,
U. S. A.

Dear Mr. Garside,

I have your letter of Feb. 26 accompanied by copy of letter to Dr. Weir. I have a letter from him of Feb. 1st accompanying the minutes of the British Section, Jan. 29th.

I note in your letter to him that there is a possibility of Warnshuis, Speer, Diffendorfer and Miss Calder being over there presumably on their way to Herrnhut and that they may be able to attend. I would like to know more about this prospect though I think Warnshuis is the only one who knows much about Cheeloo affairs.

I appreciate very much the generous spirit shown by those to whom you have spoken concerning my travelling expenses if I go. I appreciate greatly your taking a lead in this direction. Certainly if I go it will be chiefly because of the Cheeloo meeting in London. Warnshuis the other day said that if I go to that meeting I ought to go to the I.M.C. meeting at Herrnhut but that, I presume, would be totally at my expense and I would not be a member of the I.M.C. and I do not know just what rights and privileges one would have there.

I have made no enquiries at all concerning cost but you were over two years ago. Perhaps you can give me some idea of the amount that might be available from the North American Section to apply on the cost of the trip. If you can so indicate it will help me in the matter of figuring out the financing of the trip. In the meantime you may be sure that I would like to go but that I have to consider the cost and also what the psychological effect would be upon my constituency in view of our having to cut down very seriously again this year.

We have notified all our missions to reduce salaries by 10% and grants to work by 15%. We hope we shall not have to do anything more drastic than that. This, I expect, will affect Cheeloo grant as I have no doubt but that the Honan Mission will for the first time have to apply a 15% cut to our grant toward maintenance, including library. With kind regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

A. E. Armstrong

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March 31, 1932.

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Mr. B.A. Garside,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York, N.Y.,
U.S.A.

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Dear Mr. Garside,

I have your letter of March 21st enclosing minutes of the meeting of Feb. 23rd and 24th and announcing Conference on April 12th and 13th. That is the date of the annual meeting of our Board and therefore no one can be in New York for your Conference. I am returning the postcards that were enclosed. If you have anything that should be brought before our Board in this connection you will know of our meeting.

In a former letter you stated that the North American Section would probably be willing to bear their share of my expenses to Britain in connection with the Cheeloo Board meeting if I go. It begins to look as though if I go it will be for the purpose of attending the Cheeloo Board only and while I would not look to the North American Section to bear all my expenses yet I would not be able to charge up part of them to my own Church in the same way as if I were going over earlier to represent our Church at certain annual gatherings of the British churches as Dr. T. Albert Moore, the Secretary of the General Council of our Church sometime ago urged me to do. Even our Moderator who was the only one appointed by the Executive Committee of the United Church to represent the Church at such gatherings in the Old Land as did not overlap in dates is declining to go because of the financial situation though I think an effort is to be made to secure funds from private sources to send both him and his wife. I do not know what you had in mind as the amount that might be available if I go. Unless it be $200. as you mention in your letter of March 17th as the amount allowed you from each of the two universities for your tour in 1930 I would not likely be able to manage it and I would appreciate your being quite frank and state what you yourself think.

In connection with the North American Section meeting April 15th you may be interested in knowing, if you have not heard from Cheeloo, that Rev. J.M. Menzies, B.A.Sc., D.L.S., B.D., of our North Honan Mission has been invited to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Prof. Harkness and our Honan Mission is recommending to the Board Mr. Menzies' transfer to Tsinan. Mr. Menzies has been an evangelistic missionary but he has as a hobby archeology and has distinguished himself in that role. Indeed he has become famous in China in delving into the history and folklore of China. He uncovered a lost city and has made a study of the oracle bones which have been found in great quantity in the soil of Honan. He was sought for two years ago by Principal Pettus for the Language School, Peking but the Mission at that time did not recommend his going at Mission expense. Now that they recommend his going to Tsinan our Board is likely to approve and thus the vacancy in the School of Arts and Science will be filled though I presume his work will represent a new activity for the University and one which ought to increase its prestige among the scholars

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of North China and also meet with the approval of Government.

Sincerely yours,

A E Armstrong

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P.S. "D.L.S." in Mr. Menzies' name means "Dominion Land Surveyor", he having taken that course prior to his university course. "B.A.Sc." is "Bachelor of Applied Science". He is a graduate in engineering of Toronto University which course he took instead of a course in Arts for he was not planning to be a missionary when he entered university. The Theological College accepted B.A.Sc. as they would have accepted B.A.

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SHANTUNG

March 17, 1952.

Dr. A. E. Armstrong,
299 Queen Street West,
Toronto 2, Canada

My dear Dr. Armstrong:

Just as I was on the point of sending you the enclosed notice I received your letter of March 16th, in which you state that it will not be possible for you to attend meetings here in New York between April 12th and 15th.

We are extremely sorry that it is necessary for us to fix the spring meeting of our North American Section of the Cheeloo Board at a time when youcannot be present, since we were counting on your being here at this meeting so that you would be able to take to the Annual Meeting of the Board of Governors the fullest possible information as to the attitude of our North American Section on matters which will come before the Annual Meeting. When the date of this meeting was fixed we did not know that the Annual Meeting of your Board in Toronto would prevent your attendance. Of course, we were hoping also that you would be present for the important joint meeting of our China College boards which will be held on April 12th and 15th, and I understand that Dr. Ernest Hall has been hoping that you could attend the meeting of the Chosen Board which is called for the afternoon of April 11th.

We realise however, that it is never possible to call a meeting of any of our China college boards without a conflict with meetings of the various Mission Boards represented. I hope that one of the results we may some day attain in our various interdenominational movements will be the synchronizing of meetings of the various denominations so as to leave certain times in the year free for interdenominational gatherings.

I have not yet acknowledged your letter of March 1st. In this letter you raise certain questions as to the expenses of travel to London. When I made the trip in 1950 I went "Tourist 3rd", so the round-trip cost of the steamer travel was only about $250. The cost of hotel accommodations and living expenses in London were slightly less than one would have to pay in New York, the cost depending largely upon the wishes of the individual. My trip in 1950 was primarily to attend meetings of the West China Board and the Shantung Board, so each of these two institutions took one-half the cost of my trip. Each University allowed G $200 as their half of my expenses, but I drew only about G $165 from each University. I presume that if you are able to make the trip to attend the Cheeloo meeting, the section would be willing to make some

similar arrangement of paying whatever proportionate part of the cost of your journey you felt was justified.

I note what you say as to the probability that your Honan Mission will have to make some reduction in your contribution to the University. I will report this at the next meeting of the section.

With sincerest regrets that we will not have you with us at the meeting in April, I am,

Very cordially yours,

B. A. Garside

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Enc.

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Shantung Christian University

April 26, 1932.

Dr. A. E. Armstrong,
299 Queen St., West,
Toronto 2, Canada

My dear Dr. Armstrong:

We enclose herewith the Minutes of the meeting of the Cheeloo North American Section held on April 15th, and also the Minutes of the joint conference held on April 12th and 15th.

Only one or two matters in these Minutes require special comment:-

Associated Boards and Correlated Program. Much of the time of the meeting was devoted to a consideration of these two related topics. The Section has already gone on record as favoring cooperation among the home Boards here in the West, so its agreement to participation in the Associated Boards was prompt and hearty. You will note the action taken in NAS-288.

I do not know whether or not your Board of Foreign Missions of the United Church of Canada has taken any official cognisance of the proposals for the creation of the Associated Boards for Christian Colleges in China, but if it has not done so this action of the Cheeloo Board will probably be sufficient to bring the matter actively to your attention. Of course your Board is also participating in West China, but our West China Board of Governors will probably not be meeting until the autumn.

The Section was also quite cordial in its acceptance of the Correlated Program as now drafted, both as regards its general scope, and also as regards the particular place assigned to Cheeloo within the program. The place given to Cheeloo is exactly what has been proposed again and again for a number of years, and these proposals have met with general acceptance both on the field and at the home base, so no new questions are involved. The conference on April 12th and 15th agreed with gratifying unanimity that the place assigned to Cheeloo requires that the University continue to carry on high grade collegiate work in connection with its Rural Life Program.

Annual Meeting. The Section was quite pronounced in its agreement that we must urge you by all means to attend the Annual Meeting in London. It now appears that you will be the only member of the North American Section who will be in London for this meeting. I communicated to the Section the gist of what you wrote on March 31st as to the various financial and administrative

factors involved in the proposal that you go to London to attend the Annual Meeting.

We hope that the action of the Section in NAS-294 stating that "the Section will bear one-half of the expense involved up to $200", in connection with such a trip, will make it possible for you to be present at the meeting. Several of the members of the Section expressed their conviction that your attendance is so important that we should, if necessary, go beyond paying one-half of your expense, so it would be possible to us to take up the matter further with this Section if there is no other source from which you can secure at least half of the expense of such a trip.

We are planning to have another meeting of the Section late in May or early in June in order to clear the decks for the Annual Meeting. Is there any dates about this time when it would be convenient for you to come to New York for such a meeting?

We are all grateful for all the generosity of your Mission in allocating Mr. Munnies to the Cheeloo staff. I know that his presence on the campus will be of great benefit in the field of Chinese cultural studies.

With all good wishes, I am,

Very cordially yours,

B. A. Garside

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Shantung Christian University

May 11, 1952.

Dr. A. E. Armstrong,
299 Queen Street West,
Toronto 2, Canada

My dear Dr. Armstrong:

Let me acknowledge receipt of your letter of May 7th.

The $200 to apply on the cost of your journey to London to attend the Cheeloo meeting is available at any time, and I will be glad to send you a check whenever you wish it. All the members of our North American Section with whom I have talked, are quite cordial in their agreement that we must by all means have you present at the annual meeting next month if you can possibly make the necessary arrangements. You will be the only member of the North American Section at this annual meeting. It is probable that Dr. Warnshuis will be the only other person going from North America who will be present at the Cheeloo meeting, and since he is not a member of our Section his contribution will be largely along general lines.

Since you will be in the city next week, we are arranging for a meeting of the North American Section to clear off the various matters which must be disposed of before the annual meeting. A tentative canvass of the members of this Section has indicated that the morning of Wednesday, May 18th, is the most satisfactory date for the entire group. We made an effort to get the meeting on the afternoon of May 17th so as to leave you free to return to Toronto that night if you found it undesirable to remain for the meeting of the Committee of Reference and Counsel on May 19th, but unfortunately it was impossible to secure the attendance of several important members of this Section that day.

We hope, therefore, that this meeting on the morning of the 18th, and the Committee of Reference and Counsel on the 19th will together justify your remaining in the city for those two days. This will also give us more opportunity to talk over Cheeloo matters than if you were here only on the 17th. I will be available on the afternoon of the 17th if there are any matters you wish to talk over in advance of the meeting.

Looking forward to seeing you next week, I am,

Very cordially yours,

B. A. Garside

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May 28, 1952.

My dear Dr. Armstrong,

I enclose herewith the minutes of our May 18th meeting, together with a long covering letter I have written to the field. A copy of this letter was sent to Dr. Weir also.

The following matters of which I was to remind you are discussed at length in this material:- 1952-53 budget, and By-Laws of the Directors. In addition, you were going to have in mind the possibility of gaining a more liberal position from the Chinese Ministry of Education on religious liberty (concerning which Dr. Warnshuis will speak), and wished to be reminded that the Chairmen of the two sections are usually made the Vice-Chairmen of the full board, and the Treasurers of the sections are made Assistant Treasurers of the board.

As to the Associated Boards for Christian Colleges in China, and the Correlated Program, I believe nothing more need be written at this time. During the week I will send you copies of a unified report covering the discussions and actions of our last two joint conferences.

Bon voyage, and a happy landing.

Cordially,

B.A. Garside

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May 7, 1932.

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Mr. B.A. Garside,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York, N.Y.,
U.S.A.

Dear Mr. Garside,

I received your letter of April 26th and appreciate the request of the North American Section in the matter of my going to Britain. I shall plan to go if I may count on $200. being available from the Section because I would have no other good reason for going to England and I anticipate that $200. will be necessary to cover bare transportation, Toronto to London, return. If, therefore, you care to send me a cheque for $200. I shall be happy to do my best in representing the Section at the annual meeting and so far as I can to study the University situation in order to be intelligent when matters are discussed in London. I shall need to have conference with you and I am planning to be in New York May 17th for a conference on the Indian Christian Higher Education Commission Report. I may stay over for the 19th for a meeting of the Executive Committee of Reference and Counsel in which case I shall have all day 18th there with no engagement. I am hoping, however, that Mr. Moss will advise me that it is not necessary for me to stay over and thus be away three days, which is more time than I can afford in view of my absence from the country in June. In any case I hope I can have an hour or two with you on or about the 17th.

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Will you please let me have a note by return mail if convenient letting me know -(1) If I am to go to London on the basis of $200. grant towards expenses and (2) If you will be available on the 17th for the purpose of schooling me in the requirements of a representative to the Board of Governors' meeting?

With best wishes, I am

Very sincerely yours,

A.E. Armstrong

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August 30, 1932.

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Mr. B.A. Garside,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York, N.Y.,
U.S.A.

Dear Mr. Garside,

I wonder if I am expected to write you concerning the Cheeloo Board meeting in June. It is probably too late now to do so for you have of course heard from Dr. Weir and you have the minutes. I do not know that there is anything I can add. There was nothing eventful about the meeting. Everything was somewhat ordinary except that we had a good spirit and happy fellowship.

Are you likely to be calling a meeting of the North American Section this autumn? If so you might have in mind the fact that the Committee of Reference and Counsel meets September 27th and 28th. You will probably not need a meeting that soon but if so I would hope it might be on the morning of the 27th as the General Council of our Church meets on the 29th in Hamilton.

With kind regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

A.E. Armstrong

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I enclose a page from the "New Outlook" re Cheeloo by Prof. Struthers.

Cheeloo University

Our Students in North China Hear Sound Doctrine at Graduation

THE Religious Ceremony of Graduation Week at Cheeloo University, Tsinan, Shantung, China, was held in Kumler Chapel on Sunday, June 16th, and was one of the most impressive in the history of the institution. A gentle and much-needed rain was falling when the graduates and teachers, capped and gowned, marched from the administration building to the memorial chapel through the campus made unusually lovely by the early rains.

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This was compared with the Chinese philosopher Wang Yuan-ming's saying, that knowledge without action is nothing better than no knowledge. Knowing and doing must go together. These years in college have laid a foundation of knowledge, a foundation of faith, but now the graduates have an opportunity to carry out what they have learned. The measure of a school's effectiveness is the work of its graduates. In their work they must follow the example of Jesus Christ as follows:

Do not be afraid of difficulties. Difficulties strengthen and purify. Be open-minded and humble. When a man arrives at the stage when he thinks he knows everything he has ceased growing and is dead. Be tolerant. Tolerance is essential for those who would co-operate with others. Be straightforward. Have the spirit of service and of sacrifice. Jesus Christ sacrificed Himself for the salvation of the world, and gave up everything for the good of others.

"Ye are the light of the world," "Ye are the salt of the earth." In your behaviour you must reveal the glory of God. The harvest is abundant and reapers are too few. Go out and work hard.

The Commencement Ceremony held on June 21st was an excellent one. The audience was probably the largest we have ever had. The Provincial Government was represented by Mr. Chang Yueh, a member of the Provincial Committee. The main address was delivered by Dr. Yang Chen-Sheng, Chancellor of the National Tsingtao University. He said that students while in the University are like daughters in a family who enjoy all kinds of privileges but with very little responsibility. When they graduate and go out into society they are like married wives who have to be responsible for various duties and meet different kinds of trouble. The most important qualifications of a graduate in dealing with the world at large are learning and moral character. Fundamental knowledge with a humble and sincere spirit is necessary to success, but above all there must be a moral basis in dealing with human beings. Self-sacrifice is an indispensable factor in achieving the things of highest value.

Commissioner Ho followed the distribution of diplomas with a charge to the graduating students. He reviewed the deplorable situation of education at the present time and gave an analysis of the reasons, the chief of these being the false ambition of young men who wish to get the highest returns for the least amount of work. He also condemned the ambition of young men to become officials, and praised the Cheeloo graduates for the spirit of service to the people which they had shown. The present educational policy of the Provincial Government is to train men in actual, practical work.

The ceremony was made most effective by dignified processional and recessional music played by Dr. King and Dr. Waddell.

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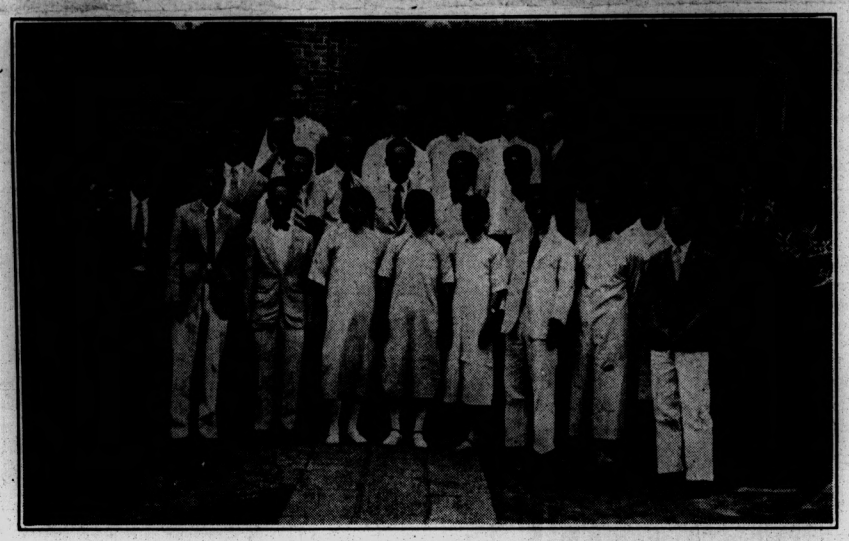

Graduates in theology and staff June, 1932

Graduates in medicine, 1932

Our Board of Foreign Missions and Honan Mission join with others in the education of these fine types of young men and women for the New China

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Shantung Christian University

September 7, 1932.

Dr. A. E. Armstrong,
299 Queen St., West,
Toronto 2, Canada

My dear Dr. Armstrong:

I have your letter of August 30th.

I have received from Dr. Weir not only the Minutes of the Annual Cheeloo meeting in June, but also rather full covering letters describing the meeting and the background. I have also talked with Dr. Warnshuis, who has given us additional information as to the circumstances surrounding the meeting. I believe, therefore, we do not need to trouble you for any further reports about the meeting just at this time, though we hope that you will be able to tell some early meeting of our North American Section whatever you found to be of the greatest interest at the London meeting.

There does not seem to be any special necessity for calling a meeting of our North American Section this month, though usually a meeting is held some time during the autumn. We have been planning to hold an organization meeting of our proposed Associated Boards of Christian Colleges in China some time during the last part of October or the first part of November, and it has been suggested that meetings of our individual Boards of Trustees or Boards of Governors could well be held at that same time. This would serve the double purpose of securing an increased attendance for the Associated Boards, and also would make it unnecessary for out-of-town members to make an additional trip. We are particularly anxious to have you present at the meeting of the Associated Board. Would it probably be possible for you to attend such a meeting on October 27th or 28th, or possibly some other date near that time?

I am grateful to you for sending a page from the "New Outlook", containing the article by Dr. Struthers on Cheeloo.

With best regards, I am

Very cordially yours,

B. A. Garside

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Shantung Christian University

October 19, 1932.

Dr. A. E. Armstrong,
299 Queen St., West,
Toronto 2, Canada.

My dear Dr. Armstrong:

Let me acknowledge receipt of your letter of October 17th.

I recognise the problem that confronts you in deciding whether or not you will come to New York for the meetings on October 27th and 28th. About all I can do to assist you in reaching a decision is to summarise what the meetings will undertake to do, and to let you judge their relative importance.

We hope that the organisation meeting of the Associated Boards will mark an important forward step in our long struggle to bring about a higher degree of correlation among our Christian higher education institutions in China. To date eight of the colleges and universities have agreed to participate in the Associated Boards, and one other has agreed in principle, but has made certain reservations which I believe they will remove before the meeting on October 27th. We are also hoping that West China will agree to participate, which would bring the number of cooperating institutions up to ten. This would include all the Christian higher educational institutions in China except the two denominational universities in Shanghai, and Hua Nan College, another denominational institution in Foochow. This is a much better initial line-up than we dared hope for. A gratifying number of board members have notified us that they are planning to attend. We are hoping that this first meeting will enable us to get off to a good start along solid lines, and we need the combined wisdome of all those who have long had an active share in the work of the individual boards. Of course, since Dr. Endicott is coming from Toronto anyway, your United Church of Canada will be ably represented.

The meeting of our Cheeloo Section will deal with at least two of the important matters - the request of the field for permission to go forward with the erection of the entire new hospital plant, and the rather intricate problem of leasing the University property to the Board of Directors, as required by the Chinese Ministry of Education. We are hoping to have present with us three members of the Cheeloo medical staff - Dr. Scott, Dr. Waddell, and Dr. Price. Since this is the first time the North American Section has come together since the Annual Meeting in London, we would naturally be interested to hear at least a brief report of that meeting. While Dr. Warnshuis is not a member of our North American Section, we are expecting him to be present, and could ask him to make such a report if you would not be with us. I note that Dr. Arnup is not planning to come down for these meetings, so if you are unable to attend the Cheeloo meeting, we would be very happy if Dr. Endicott would attend as proxy for both of you.

It is always impossible to forecast in advance just how important a meeting will be, or how significant will be the decisions rendered. Sometimes when much is expected of a meeting, one goes away with a feeling that it did not justify the trouble and expense it involved. At other times situations may arise suddenly in a meeting where decisions of vital importance are being made, and where it is very necessary that all interests and viewpoints be adequately represented if wise decisions are to be made.

Perhaps the best summary I can make is this:- As far as we can forecast both these meetings will be quite important and we will be very happy to have you present. If, however, your duties in Toronto, together with considerations of economy which we are all trying to observe these days, make it wiser to remain there, we will look to Dr. Endicott to represent the United Church of Canada, and will draft in Dr. Warnshuis to report on the Annual Meeting in London.

Very cordially yours

B. A. Garside

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Shantung Christian University

November 2, 1932.

Dr. A. E. Armstrong,
299 Queen Street, West,
Toronto 2, Canada

My dear Dr. Armstrong:

I am sending you herewith a copy of the Minutes of the meeting of our Cheeloo Governors of October 28th, together with copies of letters written to Dr. Weir and President Chu. If you have the courage to read through this material, you should be regarded by not having to go over the same ground in this letter.

I hope you will agree with the actions taken by the Section on the three matters of major importance:- Lease of Property, New Hospital Plant, and English Diploma and Degree for Medical Graduates. Our Special Committee of doctors will undoubtedly be making inquiries in the near future as to the situation in Canada in granting M. B. and M. D. degrees.

You will note the preliminary suggestions in regard to the next meeting of our North American Section. There is a possibility that we may be able to arrange this at a time when you would be in the vicinity of New York attending other interdenominational gatherings. We will write more about this later when our plans become more definite.

We were very glad that Dr. Endicott was able to attend the meeting as a representative of the United Church of Canada. Since Dr. Sinclair was also present, we were unusually fortunate in having two representatives of the U. C. C. in attendance. Incidentally, I believe we have no formal record that the United Church of Canada re-elected you and Dr. Sinclair in 1931 for new four-year terms expiring in 1935, but I have placed both your names in the class of 1935 on the assumption that this is in accordance with the wishes of your Board. Please correct this procedure if necessary.

Very cordially yours,

B.A. Garside

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From the 1932 annual report of the North Honan Mission of the United Church of Canada.

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SHANTUNG CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY

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(Sent with Dr. Armstrong's note of March 29, 1933)

Medical School and Hospital

We can report a highly satisfactory and successful year both in the Medical School and in the Hospital. The registration is about as usual, with 94 medical students, 17 in pharmacy, 4 in technicians class and 4 in electrotherapy.

There has been an increase of almost 10,000 patients seen in the Out-patients department, making a total of over 70,000 treated during the year. Several hundred were turned away from the hospital from lack of bed accommodation. We have funds in hand for a new hospital to meet this need, but we have delayed proceedings with building operations owing to the continued reduction in grants from Mission Boards in America, Canada and England. At one time the cause of delay was unsettled conditions in China, at another it was due to the fact that the authorities had not registered the University. Now the University is registered, and it seems wise to go ahead with former plans. An endowment to meet the increased cost of operating a larger hospital would solve the difficulty. Our present hospital of 100 beds is less than half as large as we need to provide sufficient patients for the hundred students we are trying to teach.

Preparation of Students.

Our medical staff, both Chinese and foreign, has been increased during the past few years, so that we are in a better position than ever before to give individual instruction to students during the years, when they have their first contacts with patients and learn the difficult art of Physical and Clinical Diagnosis. For example there are nine teaching in the medical department, of which Dr. McClure is head. The class-room teaching is in Chinese, but the students write the histories of patients in English. They also report on new methods of treatment, which they are required to read up in English journals. During the last year, or fifth year, the student takes complete medical care of patients who are assigned to his or her care. They prescribe the drugs ordered, and do all laboratory procedures, which includes making the bacteriological cultures. On graduation, Chinese medical graduates are in a very different position from graduates from Canadian medical schools, since in China there is a demand from Mission hospitals for our graduates which is much greater than the supply.

Cheeloo Medical Graduates

At present, out of 260 graduates, over one-third are serving in Mission hospitals. At the Chinese Medical Association Conference in Shanghai this year, out of over 200 Chinese delegates, ten per cent were graduates from Cheeloo. The writer, returning to Tsinan from the conference, visited a number of hospitals, and in three out of four found recent graduates of Cheeloo, at work. Good reports were heard of their surgical skill, and the active part which they were taking in the evangelistic work. At one ~~partxwki~~ station two graduates were helping in a clinic, where 3,000 kalaazar patients were treated in a year. One of our graduates this year treated over 3,000 cholera patients, and had a recovery rate of 94%. Another has removed 12 spleens with only one death, and in this case the kidney was ruptured as well as the spleen.

The Future

During the past few years we have increased our staff and special departments. There are seven departments in charge of Chinese members of the staff, all but two Cheeloo graduates. We are now, therefore, in a position to render better and increased service to the sick, who come to us from all parts of the province. We are, however, handicapped by overcrowding in all departments. This is felt most keenly in the out-patient department, where we are using former coal rooms to accommodate two departments. Will the church at home stand behind a larger effort, not only towards increased service to the community, but one that will keep our school to the fore as one of the best in China!

The writer, who has studied, either medical work, or medical mission work, in fourteen countries, knows no place where in medical work the church has a larger opportunity, or greater possibilities for future service.

Ernest B. Struthers, B.A., M.D. (Tor.),
D.T.M. &H. (Eng.)

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The School of Arts

For registration of a university with the Central Government of China, there is a required minimum of three schools. In Cheeloo there are the Schools of Arts, of Science and of Medicine. This report deals with the first two of these.

The School of Arts provides courses in the following departments; 1. Chinese Literature. 2. Modern Languages. 3. History and Political Science. 4. Sociology and Economics. 5. Education. 6. Chinese Research Institute. The staff is made up of 20 Chinese and 10 missionaries (5 men and 5 women), of whom some give only part time, and two are on furlough.

Students - There is a total of 139 students, 93 men and 46 women, divided into two classes, regular and special. The regular students are those who come from registered schools and are proceeding to a degree in one of the above departments. The special students are taking partial options, as when students in the theological or pre-theological course elect some in the Arts. The student body is made up as follows:-

Freshmen 71,	- 48 men and 23 women
Sophomores 44,	- 32 men and 12 women
Juniors 16,	- 12 men and 4 women
Seniors 8,	- 6 men and 2 women

Leaving out of account the 46 special students, there are almost three times as many students (69) in the first two years, as in the two senior years. This means that with normal entrance the attendance will be much larger next year and the year after. Of these students, four are from our Honan field, taking options in the freshman and sophomore years, while one is in the regular sophomore year.

The numbers of Christian students remain very satisfactory, being 75% in the first two years, and 90% in the last two. This high per centage of Christian students guarantees the Christian atmosphere of the university, and the attendance at the regular morning chapel is good.

A study of the sources of supply causes some anxiety, due to the decrease of Christian Senior Middle Schools. In 1931, among the entrants, 27 were from Christian schools and 6 from other schools. This year the proportion is 21 from Christian schools and 15 from others. It is feared that in another year the decrease will be more marked. In North Honan we have no Senior Middle School. Something should be done to shepherd Christian students through government Senior Middle Schools in preparation for University. We have no women student from our Mission in the university. All other Missions have.

The number of students in the various departments is instructive, as indicating the tendency of present day education. Over sixty courses are offered in the various departments. The election by the students is as follows:-

Chinese Literature	11,	1 man	and	1 woman	in	first	year
Modern Languages	10,	5 men	"	1 "	"	"	"
History & Pol.Science	20,	4 "	"	2 women	"	"	"
Sociology & Economics	23,	6 "	"	5 "	"	"	"
Education	29,	6 "	"	5 "	"	"	"

The School of Science

Courses are offered in the following departments, with their enrollment.

1. Astronomy and Mathematics	9	2 men	and	1 woman	in	first	year
2. Biology and Geology	12	4 "	"	1 "	"	"	"
3. Chemistry	34	15 "	"	1 "	"	"	"
4. Physics	24	12 "	"	1 "	"	"	"
5. Pre-medical	59	28 "	"	8 women	"	"	"

The number of students in science is 138 men and 9 women. But science students may elect arts options, and vice versa. The special feature of the science course is that the pre-medical subjects are taken there are a regular course in the first two years. But leaving out these 59 pre-medicals and 9 specials, there are still twice as many students (54) in the first wo years, as in the two senior years (25). Thus with normal enrollment, the school will be much larger next year. The ratio of Christians and the problem of the fewer Christian Middle Schools, is the same as in the Arts College.

The ages of students are much the same as in Canada, there being 45 below twenty years, 234 between twenty and thirty, inclusive,and 8 above thirty.

Honan, as a province is very poorly represented in the student body, while other provinces farther away, as Shansi, are better represented. Honan has 8 men and no women, 5 being from our Mission. Shansi, farther away and just as poor, has 15 men and 2 women. Shantung has 99 men and 20 women; Hopei 40 men and 17 women. Naturally the church in these areas is making greater progress than in Honan.

As regards Missions represented by the students, the following give the numbers.

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1. American Presbyterian, North.	63,	51 men	12 women
2. Methodist Episcopal, North.	40	22	18
3. Church of England	30	26	4
4. American Board	29	22	7
5. English Baptist	12	10	2
6 United Church of Canada	5	5	0

The Chinese Research Institute - which is financed from a grant from the Harvard-Yenching Fund for that special purpose, is a great support to the school of Arts. Through it the Chinese studies are strengthened by original research. This commends itself strongly to the Chinese Government and community. Many contacts have been made with non-missionary institutions. A greater respect for the institution as a Christian centre of Chinese Culture is being manifested. Your representative is the only missionary in this Chinese Research Institute, and forms a link between the missionary from the West and the Chinese scholars in their own classical studies. It is widely recognized in China, that archeology and western historical methods have much to contribute to the understanding of Chinese culture.

J. M. Menzies.

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School of Theology

Since the registration of the University, the School of Theology is not officially a part of it, though religiously and socially we are as closely connected as ever. We are under different Boards of Management, but the representative members are the same on both Boards. Under the new arrangement, the School of Theology also becomes responsible for the religious meetings in the Kumler Memorial Chapel.

The favourable conditions reported for the University, hold also with regard to the School of Theology. At the June Commencement, nine men and one woman received their degree of Bachelor of Theology, and are now engaged in work in such scattered places as Yunnan, Swatow and Peiping.

The enrollment during the autumn is 37, seven of whom are women, and come from eight provinces and ten church groups. Of the provinces Honan stands second, with four from the United Church of Canada section, and three from the Canadian Church Mission. The student body are a group of keen, interested, hard-working students.

During the summer there was held for a fortnight in the college, a Conference for Christian Workers for the province, with an attendance of 100. Most of the staff took part in this or other conferences, Dr. Mitchell returning to Honan for a half month's intensive work in the Summer Class there.

In September we were privileges to be the meeting place for a week's meetings of Dr. E. Stanley Jones', quite a large number from various parts of the province being present. There were no sensational results from these meetings, but the general testimony is that Jesus Christ became a more central and living figure in all of our work as a result of them.

Among the extra-curriculum activities of the students, are visiting in some of the neighbouring villages, carrying on an evening "literacy" class of 30 in one of the villages, conducting a "model" Sunday School

under the Religious Department in the suburb, and taking responsibility for the work in the Institute Museum on Sunday afternoons.

This Institute was started by Mr. Whiteright of the English Baptist Mission more than thirty years ago when China was very backward in general knowledge. It was established with the idea of glorifying God through all His works, showing all men of every race to be brothers, and alike receiving the love of the Heavenly Father, as especially seen in Jesus Christ. The institute museum became one of the famous sights of the provincial capital, and was visited by all ranks of society from the Governor to the street beggar. The average attendance a year is over 300,000.

It has been the custom to keep the doors closed on Sunday, to let the staff have their rest day. This autumn, a group of the Theological teachers and students have become responsible for the work there on Sunday afternoons. They are distributed to various sections, as the natural history, the hygienic, the anthropological, the religious, etc. Here they endeavour, by being helpful to the visitors, to establish friendly contacts, and enable them to get more out of their visit.

The chapel is in the centre of the various sections, and can be entered from any of them. Here two or three times in the afternoon, gospel addresses are given. This work is a means of being helpful to the public, and also serves as an experimental school for the theological students for making contacts with strangers, and presenting the gospel in such a way that it may bear fruit.

Married Women's Work

Apart from the direct appointees of the Boards, the married ladies all have their work to do. Mrs. Mitchell teaches scripture in a school in the Institute, and English in the School of Theology. Mrs. Struthers takes her part with the other mothers, teaching in the Foreign School. Mrs. Menzies is beginning a work of visiting in the homes of those connected with University and neighbourhood. She has also given assistance to nearby missions.

Robert A. Mitchell.

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Mentally Women's Work

Apart from the direct appointees to the Boards, the Mentally Ladies all have their own work to do. Mrs. Mitchell teaches scripture in a school in the Institute, and English in the School to Theology. Mrs. Stirling takes her part with the other women, teaching in the Foreign School. Mrs. Menzies is engaged a work to visiting in the homes to those connected with University missions. She has also given assistance of certain Vacation bookings.

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Under the Religious Department in the surplus, and taking responsibility for the work in the Institute museum on Sunday afternoons.

This Institute was started by Mr. Wuifeiqing of the English Baptist Mission more than fifty years ago when China was very backward in General knowledge. It was established with the idea of glorifying God through all His works, showing all men of every race of be profited, and alike receiving the love of the Heavenly Father, as especially seen in Jesus Christ. The institute museum became one of the famous sights of the Provincial capital, and was visited by all ranks of society from the governor of the street beggar. The average attendance a year is over 200,000.

If has been the custom to keep the doors closed on Sundays, so let the street urchin have their rest day. This autumn, a group of the Theological students and students have become responsible for the work there on Sunday afternoons. They are distributed to various sections, as the museum, visitors, the hygienic, the anthropological, the religious, etc. Here they endeavour, by being helpful to the visitors, to establish friendly contacts, and awaken a new of the of their visit.

The chapel is in the centre of the various sections, and can be entered from the **Hall** to them. Here two or three times in the afternoon, Rosey addresses the visitors. This work is a means of being helpful to the public, and also serves as an experimental school for the theological students for making contacts with strangers, and presenting the Rosey in such a way that it has lost its.

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