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Nov 7, 1922

Dear Mr. Sargwell,

I have just returned from attending the meeting of the Executive Committee & the Annual Meeting of the Board of Governors of the West China Union University at Philadelphia. There was a good attendance & the meetings were presided over with great ability by the Hon. N. W. Russell. The minutes will, of course, be duly sent to you but there are one or two points on which I felt that I might write a word.

1. Budget. The Budget received from Chungking asked for \$33,961, of this about \$10,000 was for certain capital expenditures. The Board Secretaries who were present (+ I may say that Dr. Audicott, Dr. North & Dr. Franklin were present the whole time) felt that they could not pledge their Boards & even approach them for sums that would cover the whole of this: the only thing to do was to reduce it, by removing the items on capital. Finally it was decided that each of the Canadian & American Boards should be asked for \$6000. the remaining \$3000 would be requested from the Friends (who are prepared to pay £500, or about \$2,250) & the Ch.S., who pay \$750. I do not know under what conditions or when the Ch.S. undertook this as their contribution to the Central Budget: but I notice that in the Treasurer's Financial Statement he omits upon it, but that it was not paid for 1922: I do not know whether he has ever written to you on the point: perhaps you will be

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so good as to look into the matter, & if it is in order, arrange for it to be sent to the Treasurer, Mr. George Vaux Jr., Lyulph Road, Bryn Mawr, Pa. U.S.A. I expressed great regret on behalf of the C.M.S. that at a time like this when they are compelled to make retrenchments, they are unable to increase their contributions. This total Budget of \$21,000 would be divided into \$9,950, being the amount required by the Board to meet such charges as the salary of the President, salary of a Bursar or accountant, who is very badly needed, & the expenses connected with the meetings of Executive Committee & the Board etc: this would leave \$11,050 plus the detailed appropriation of which would, it was felt be best left to the judgment of the Senate in the field. The thought was expressed that the ideal Budget would be one of \$20,000, divided into 4 parts, one of which would be shared between the C.M.S. & the friends, who for this purpose would be regarded as one society.

2. Mr. Rountree, the architect, had on the invitation of the Executive Committee, come over from England, in order that the relations between himself & the British, Mr. Ricker, might be clearly adjusted. This was a great advantage, & the whole matter was exhaustively discussed. There was perfect frankness in speaking. At the same time, an excellent spirit was displayed on all sides. It was concluded that the regulations already laid down at length were perfectly adequate, & amply safeguarded the positions of the four parties concerned, i.e. the Board, the Senate, the architect & the British.

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3. Incorporation of the University under the Regent of the State of New York. This matter has long been in progress in the able hands of Mr. Ganz, who was able to present to the Board the Provisional Charter. In order to comply with the formalities of the matter, the members present assumed that they had been elected by their respective Boards, & proceeded to elect ~~the~~ successors, to those whose terms of office expired; these represented in almost all cases a re-election. I took it that it was the wish of the C. M. S. that I should continue to represent them, & was accordingly re-elected on to the Board of Governors & also to the Executive Committee.

4. Opening of the doors of the University to women. This arose out of certain resolutions of the Senate. The matter was fully discussed, & it was felt that there was nothing in the constitution to preclude women from being admitted, but it was realized that great care must be taken in the matter, & that the constituent Boards must be consulted ~~in the matter first~~. Pending arrangements being made on a larger scale for the accommodation of women, it was decided that a limited number of suitable students might be temporarily admitted provided adequate supervision could be provided & the Boards gave their consent. I would be glad if you could let me know the views of the C. M. S. on this point: as a matter of fact nothing would be done till the autumn of 1923; & if the C. M. S. desire to raise any objection to the principle, it would be well that it should be stated as soon as possible. I think that it was also stipulated in connection with these temporary arrangements that no additional cost must be incurred to the University.

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The full minutes will, of course, reach you in due time: but I thought I would send you the above notes on some of the more important matters that were discussed. There was a feeling of great gratitude to God for the progress that had been made: it was realized that the surest progress in an institution of this nature might be the slowest, & that we must not be impatient, if things do not move as fast as we should like.

When I attended the meeting of the Board for the first time in Toronto, I understood Dr. Endicott to say that the expenses of the members ~~of~~ should be intimated to their respective Boards: hence I have always rendered my statement to you. I learned at Philadelphia that the Board of Governors arranges an appropriation for this. I am therefore sending in my statement to the Treasurer.

I feel that I must add a word of sympathy with the Ch.S. in the difficult time through which it is passing: I pray that God will give you & all the other leaders great wisdom in meeting them.

With kind regards,

Believe me,

Yours very sincerely,

Frank Anderson

Write C. W. S. re Budget matter.
Pay for 1922 + 23

Add 500 to each Board -

adding more men, means increased
expenditure apart from salary etc.

Miss Training School - ask to raise
that independently

~~and~~ use Chinese money

Women's Board: help for women-
education C. & Z.

Approach Zenana Missy. for help
as women are coming in.

Importance of Reports coming out, so
that C. W. S. in Engh. can consider questions
presented to it.

314 Grosvenor Street,
London, Ont.
Canada

Sept 29 1923

My Dear Maude,

I have just returned from the Annual Meeting of the Board of Governors of the West Coast Union University, held in Toronto. The minutes, of course, will reach you when ready. Meanwhile, there are one or two matters on which I might say a word.

1. The Treasurer informed me that he had not yet received the C. W. S. contribution of \$750 per annum for either of the years 1922 or 1923. I mentioned the matter in my letter of May 7, 1922 in your letter to the Sec. of March 1st 1923, (copy of which you kindly forwarded) you said that the matter would be dealt with by the Sec. Secretary. The other Boards are paying their contributions in quarterly instalments. The Treasurer would be very grateful if the amounts could be remitted before the financial year closes on Dec. 31. It was decided back for the same contributions from the cooperating Boards for 1924.

The Treas. is Mr. Geo. Lang, Jr.
Guelph Rd, Poughkeepsie, N.Y.

2. In regard to the relation of the University to Women, a communication will, I think reach

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You shortly directly from W. Endicott. It occurs to me to suggest that you might consider it wise to refer this matter to the C. E. 2 M. S.

3. It was unfortunate that no reports were before the Board of Governors either from the President or the Educational Union so, now has a full financial statement forwarded from China. Efforts are being made to secure that such reports as there are in hand will in advance of the Annual Meeting, so that the C. E. S. may have time to peruse them & send me instructions on any point that may require them.

4. We were glad to be able to persuade Sir Joseph Flavelle to become Chairman of the Board of Governors. He is an extremely able man, who takes a deep interest in the work. (Living as he does in Toronto I am also doing W. N. W. Rowell) it will enable W. Endicott to obtain wise counsel in any important matter. There is an excellent spirit in the Board, & the American members were most sincerely glad to have Sir Joseph as Chairman.

5. A number of important matters were referred to the Executive: they will meet in New York.

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on Nov. 2, when I shall hope to be present. I
wonder whether it would be possible for me to
have some word about the C.M.S. contributions
(referred to in para 1 above) by that time.

6. Sir Joseph Flaville & Mr. Rowell very kindly enter-
tained the members of the Board at dinner on
the first day of meeting, when we met most of the
leaders of the Canadian Methodist Church, ministered
as well as lay. I was asked to speak for about
10 minutes (with others) & took the opportunity
of explaining to these friends the position of the
Chies as a voluntary, evangelical society, with a
word about the general condition of the Church of
England. My remarks were received most cordially,
& I think that the C.M.S. may be assured that
all the other members understand their position &
greatly appreciate their presence as a cooperating
unit. Mr. H.T. Salcock will be back in England
almost at once, & he will always be ready, I know,
to afford you any information needed.

I hope you are well. It is a real pleasure
that my correspondence on this matter now goes to
you. With all good wishes

Yours very sincerely,
Frank Anderson

Dec. 15 1923

Dear Mr. Vaux,

I am writing to let you know that my expenses in attending the meeting of the Executive Committee of the West China Union University on Wednesday last, amounted to \$38.30

We missed you much in our deliberations, but I think the meeting was most satisfactory & much useful work was accomplished.

With kind regards,

Believe me,

Yours very sincerely,

Frank Anderson

Feb . 16 1924.

Dear Dr. Endicott,

I enclose the Minutes; I hope that you will find them in order; I am not sure that the one about the Bursar is correct; in one or two other places there are blanks which you can easily fill in. Please feel free to make any corrections that you think right.

I also enclose the report, with an additional paragraph; I thought that we spoke about the cut in the Budget as about \$3,000; but it appears to be rather over \$4,000. in fact nearly \$5,000; will you examine this carefully, and see whether I have not made a mistake somewhere; I have sent a copy of this para. to Sir Joseph; he may have some improvement to suggest to you.

I also enclose Dr. Ward's letter

I thought that we had a particularly good meeting on Wednesday; we seemed to get quite a lot done. Let me know if there is anything more that I can do to help you.

With kind regards,

Yours very sincerely,

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27th February, 1924.

Rev. Prof. Frank Anderson, M.A., D.D.,
314 Grosvenor St.,
London,
Ontario.

Dear Dr. Anderson:-

Many thanks for your good copy of the Minutes of the recent meeting of the Executive Committee. I send herewith a stencilled copy.

May I call your attention to Items 416, 418, 422, 423 and 425, which have been referred to the next meeting of the Executive? By Item 419, you will note that the meeting is to be held at Wallace Lodge, Yonkers, on April 22nd and 23rd. I sincerely hope that you will be able to reserve these dates, as it will probably be the most important Executive meeting of the year and should prove of very great value in view of the full meeting of the Board next July.

I would also remind you that under Item 408 you were appointed a member of a special committee to prepare certain literature for presentation to the co-operating Boards. As you are the Chairman of this committee, I presume that all action which is necessary growing out of the resolution of the Executive Committee, will be initiated by you.

With kind regards, and with many thanks for your assistance as Minute Secretary of the meeting,

Very sincerely yours,

JE/R.

James Endicott

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March 5th 1924.

Rev. James Endicott D.D.
299 Queen Street West.
Toronto,

Dear Dr. Endicott

Many thanks for your letter of Feb. 27th and the copy of the Minutes.

I am quite planning to be at the meeting at Yonkers on April 22 and 23. and realize the importance of the gathering.

I have been thinking over the matter of Exec. Min. 408. The work that the Sub-Committee appointed is to do is so bound up with the report to the Boards that I prepared, that I can do little without the report in front of me. I did not keep a clean copy of it; I wonder whether you would mind sending me a copy.

Further matter that I think you can supply me without much difficulty is the exhibit called for "of the total present unfulfilled financial program of the University". Your connection with the University from the very first will enable you to give this information quite easily.

In order to get material for item 2 in the Minute, I ran through the Senate Minutes for the year. One point struck me on which I am a little hazy; I gather from Senate Minute 1542 that the Canadian Methodist Mission is being asked to contribute the part time services of Mr. Kern as Secretary of the Educational Union. Has this been agreed to by your Mission? Has the Executive considered whether this is right policy, in view of what Dr. Wallace says about this in his report? Much the same question comes up in regard to the Bursar; Is it the policy of the Board of Governors to carry the salaries of both these officers on its Budget, just as it does that of the President? This point should, I think, be made quite clear in any statement that we make to the Boards.

If you could also inform me what buildings there are, either in course of construction or projected, for which there are either no funds at all in hand, or for which those in hand are insufficient-- buildings, I mean, which are absolutely necessary, and the erection of which has been approved by the Board of Governors, if and when funds are forthcoming-- I think I could get on with the statement.

I hope I am not troubling you overmuch in asking for so much information.

With kind regards,
Yours very sincerely,

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12th March, 1924.

Rev. Prof. Frank Anderson, M.A., D.D.,
314 Grosvenor St.,
London,
Ontario.

Dear Dr. Anderson:-

Acting on the instructions of the Executive
Committee of the Board of Governors, I sent the following
cable to Dr. Beech:-

"Executive Committee nominates Mr. Albertson as Bursar.
Available this spring. What does University recommend?
Consult Mission Council."

On the 5th inst. I received the following reply:-

"Mr. Albertson acceptable, if supported by Mission
outside our budget."

The following message was also in the same cable:-

"Conditions as laid down in letter of October 13th of
last year, admitting women, have been complied with.
Seven women can be admitted September 11th of this
year. Two experienced workers - Women's Boards -
have been appointed. Arrangement provides for tem-
porary hostels. Board of Governors under no obligation.
Telegraph is this does not meet with approval; no
answer will signify approval."

After consultation with Sir Joseph Flavelle I sent a further
cable, as follows:-

"Salary of bursar must be included in the budget. Is Mr.
Albertson acceptable? Please telegraph definite answer
immediately."

With regard to the matter of admitting women
students to the University, I cabled as follows:-

"To avoid trouble in the future do not take any further

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Rev. Prof. Frank Anderson, M.A., D.D.2.

action meantime until arrangement has been complied with in every way between Women's Boards here and Board of Governors to share fully entire expenses of University. In view of meeting of Executive Committee next month and meeting of the Board July 12th of this year, we do not think it would be wise to take steps admitting women until then. Please send a full report by an early mail."

I may say in regard to the Bursar, that we have received the following cable from our Mission in West China:-

"Mission approves of Mr. Albertson as Bursar, on the understanding that University will pay all charges."

With kind regards,

Very sincerely yours,

JE/R.

James Indicott

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March 13 1924.

Dear Dr. Endicott,

Many thanks for your letter of yesterday

It seems to me that your cable communications to the field are entirely in harmony with the views expressed at the last meeting of the Executive. It would seem to me pretty clear that the salary of the Bursar, who is distinctly a University officer, like the President, should come on the Budget; the only question is whether it is to be carried on the Board of Governors' end of it.

As regards the admission of Women, your action seems perfectly right. I would very greatly like to see the Executive when it meets on April 22 in possession of the opinions of all the Women's and other Boards on the subject. I wonder whether a special communication could not be sent to them, pointing the urgency of coming to a decision, and asking for a reply by a specified date, so that when the matter comes before the full Board at Birmingham, the Executive will be in a position to suggest a policy. There are nearly six weeks now in which this information could be secured.

With kind regards,

Yours very sincerely,

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16th September, 1924.

Rev. Prof. Frank Anderson, M.A., D.D.,
 314 Grosvenor Street,
 London,
 Ontario.

Dear Dr. Anderson:-

The Chairman of the Board of Governors has requested and authorized me to call the Executive Committee of the Board of Governors of the West China Union University to meet in Room 513, Wesley Buildings, 299 Queen Street West, Toronto, at 10:00 a.m., on Friday, October 31st. I sincerely hope that you will be able to be present.

We have been officially informed that representatives of some of the Women's Societies doing educational work in West China are to meet in Toronto on the same day, and in the same building, and that one of the important questions which they will consider grows out of Minute #653 of the Board of Governors. It is hoped that a joint meeting of the Women's group and the Executive Committee of the Board may be arranged for, and I have already taken up the question with Mrs. H. A. Lavell, who is the Chairman of the meeting. She is very desirous that such a joint meeting be arranged.

Very sincerely yours,

James Endicott

JE/R.

Nov. 3 1924.

Mr George Vaux Jr.

Gulph Road,

Bryn Mawr,

Pa.

Dear Mr Vaux,

We were so sorry that your important work kept you from the meeting of the Executive on Friday; we had a most valuable Conference with the ladies representing the Women's Boards, from which I hope great good will come.

My expenses in attending came to \$16.70.

Trusting that Mrs Vaux is well, and with every good wish for yourself,

Believe me

Yours very sincerely,

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12th November, 1924.

Rev. Prof. Frank Anderson, M.A., D.D.,
314 Grosvenor Street,
London,
Ontario.

My dear Professor Anderson:-

Many thanks for the fine clean copy of the
Minutes which you so kindly forwarded me a few days ago.

You are rendering the Board good service
which I am sure is appreciated and, in addition, you are
giving me great help in this way. I made only one or two
slight alterations as suggested by your notes. I am leav-
ing the City in a day or two and shall be away for over a
month, but I take this opportunity of writing a brief word
of thanks to you.

A copy of the Minutes will go forward to you
within a day or so, and a copy will also be sent to Rev. E.
Hayward, B.A.

Very sincerely yours,

JE/R.

James Endicott.

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Toronto, Ontario,
 December 30th, 1924.

My dear Mr. Anderson:

Please find herewith copies of two letters dated
 September 29th, and October 23rd, 1924, from the President of the
 University, Dr. Beech. They are as I received them, with the
 exclusion of short personal paragraphs.

As no member of the Board from the United States was
 present at the meeting in Birmingham last July, I have thought there
 would be advantage if members of the Board resident in the United
 States, who are not members of the Executive, were to attend the
 meeting of the Executive called for Thursday, February 5th, in
 New York. We particularly need their counsel concerning our financial
 position.

I am sorry to advise you that I have a communication
 from George Vaux, Jr., the Treasurer of the Board, advising that
 imperative instructions from his physician compel him to relinquish
 duties which he is now performing, and that among these is his
 treasurership of the Board. The circumstances will not permit of
 pressure being brought to bear upon Mr. Vaux to continue the work
 he has so faithfully performed, and it will therefore be necessary
 for the Executive to appoint a Treasurer at its meeting in February.

With the Season's Greetings,

I am,

Rev. Frank Anderson,
 314 Grosvenor Street,
 London, Ont.

Faithfully yours,

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Dec. 31 1924.

Sir Joseph Flavelle, Bart. LL.B.
176 Yonge Street,
Toronto.

My dear Sir Joseph,

I appreciate very much your kindness in sending me a copy of the two received by you from Dr Beech. They are both of the greatest interest, and give us some exceedingly valuable information; I have not yet received the latest Senate Minutes, to which he refers; not doubt they will reach me very shortly.

I think that the suggestion that the members of the Board resident in the United States who are not members of the Executive should be asked to attend the next meeting is quite good; the financial position calls for the best counsel that we can procure.

It is indeed a great blow to learn that Mr. Vaux will be unable to continue his work as Treasurer; I fear that it will not be easy to find a man so devoted and efficient as he; we shall greatly miss his genial presence at our meetings.

I was delighted to get a letter from the C.M.S. this morning telling me that they had appointed a very efficient man, Dr Anderson (no relation of mine) to succeed Dr Elliott on the Medical Staff of the University. Dr Endicott is already informed of this fact.

With all good wishes for the New Year,

Believe me,

Yours very sincerely,

Dec. 31 1924.

Dear Mr. Hayward,

Many thanks for so kindly sending me a copy of your letter to Dr. Endicott regarding Dr. Anderson. I am exceedingly glad that the C.M.S. are able to replace Dr Elliott in this way; I am sure that Dr Beech will be thankful that the strength of the Medical staff can thus be maintained.

In a letter from Sir Joseph Flavelle to-day he gives me the bad news that Mr Vaux has had to resign his position as Treasurer under medical advice; this is a great blow, as he has been most efficient, and it will not be easy to replace him. A meeting of the Executive Committee is called in New York on Feb. 5th, which I shall hope to attend; the matter of his successor will then be taken up.

You may be interested to know that Dr Endicott has been turning over to me the work of the Minute writing of the Executive meetings; it is a great satisfaction to me that, as representing the C.M.S., I am permitted the privilege of doing this very small service to the work.

I am quite hoping that nothing will interfere with my coming over to England this summer, when I shall look forward to the pleasure of meeting you.

With kind regards and all good wishes for the New Year,

Believe me,

Yours very sincerely,

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31st December, 1924.

Rev. Prof. Frank Anderson, M.A., D.D.,
314 Grosvenor Street,
London,
Ontario.

Dear Dr. Anderson:-

I enclose herewith copies of communications from Mr. George Vaux, Jr., to Sir Joseph Flavelle, Chairman of the Board of Governors. I am sure the reading of these letters will cause you the deepest regret.

With all good wishes for the New Year,

Faithfully yours,

James Endicott

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BOARD OF GOVERNORS
of the
WEST CHINA UNION UNIVERSITY.

Bryn Mawr, Pa., U.S.A.,
Twelfth Month,
27th 1924.

Sir Joseph Flavelle,
Toronto,
Canada.

My dear Sir Joseph:-

I am very sorry to have to send you the enclosed resignation which I must now ask shall be accepted with all promptness. My reason is that, as the result of ill health, my physician has instructed me most positively that I must reduce my responsibilities unless I am prepared to look to a very speedy end of my career. This I do not feel prepared for yet and hence I am resigning from some of my activities with the hope of thereby reducing my responsibilities.

I regret exceedingly that the West China Union University seems to be one of those from which I have to withdraw and I shall miss the association with the many good friends whom I have met so delightfully at the various meetings which I have been able to attend, but I think you can see that at this time I have no alternative.

In presenting my resignation will you please convey to my colleagues my warmest personal regard, and assure each one that he has a warm place in my heart?

With high personal regard, I am

Faithfully yours,

(Sgd.) GEORGE VAUX, Jr.
Treasurer.

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BOARD OF GOVERNORS
of
WEST CHINA UNION UNIVERSITY.
Chengtu, West China.

Bryn Mawr, Penna., U.S.A.
Twelfth Month
27th 1924.

To the Executive Committee
of the Board of Governors
of the West China Union University.

Dear Friends:

I am reluctantly compelled to tender my resignation
as Treasurer of the West China Union University to take effect so
soon as the office can be filled, which I trust may be in the
immediate future.

With high regard, and assuring you of my continued
interest in the University and its success, I am

Sincerely yours,

(Sgd.) GEORGE VAUX, Jr.
Treasurer.

Jan. 1 1935.

Rev. James Endicott D.D.

299 Queen Street West,

Toronto.

Dear Dr. Endicott,

Many thanks for your letter of yesterday with
enclosures.

I had already heard from Sir Joseph of the re-
signation of Mr. Vaux; I regret it more than I can say; we
shall miss him very much, and it will be a difficult matter to
fill his place.

I was very glad to hear from Mr. Hayward that
the C.M.S. had appointed Dr. Anderson (no relation of mine)
to take Dr. Elliott's place; it is very gratifying that the
strength of their staff is not diminished.

I am planning to be present at the meeting in
New York on Feb. 5th; we shall have some very important
matter to consider.

Let me heartily reciprocate your good wishes
for the New Year.

Yours very sincerely,

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299 Queen St. West,
 Toronto 2, Ontario,
 September 4th, 1925.

Mrs. Frank Anderson,
 314 Grosvenor Street,
 London,
 Ontario.

Dear Mrs. Anderson:-

As we do not know if Dr. Anderson has returned from
 England, Dr. Endicott has requested me to write to you.

Doubtless you are aware that the Executive Committee
 and the Board of Governors of the West China Union University, have
 been called to meet in New York City on September 23rd and 24th.
 Dr. Endicott had hoped to be present at the meetings, but owing to
 the very serious condition of Mrs. Endicott, who has been in the
 Hospital for the past two months, it will be impossible for him to do
 so. Dr. Endicott has consulted with Sir Joseph Flavelle and they are
 both anxious that Dr. Anderson, if he is in this Country at that time,
 should come to Toronto for a few hours before proceeding to New York
 to attend the meeting.

Will you kindly let us hear from you at an early date
 regarding the expected time of Dr. Anderson's return?

Yours very truly,

Mary R. Rumble
 Secretary to Dr. Endicott.

Sept. 5 1925.

Dear Miss Rumble,

Your letter to Mrs. Anderson is to hand, with thanks.

I am glad to report myself as back in Canada. I am making my plans to attend the meetings in New York, as indicated in the last Executive Committee Minutes.

I am deeply pained to learn that Mrs Endicott is not better, and that her condition is so serious that she has to be in Hospital for so long. Will you be so good as convey to Dr. Endicott from me my very sincere sympathy with him and his in the anxiety by which he must be overwhelmed. I shall only be too glad to do anything that will relieve him at this time.

As the College term will be opening on Sept. 22, and the students will be registering, I shall not be able to leave the City for New York any earlier in the day than may be absolutely necessary; indeed it would be impossible for me to ~~come to Toronto~~ on the way. But I could easily run up to Toronto some day in the previous week, and see both Dr Endicott and Sir Joseph Flavelle.

Perhaps you will be so good as to take the matter up with both of them, and let me know as soon as possible the date and the hour when it would be convenient for them to see me. I could come either Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday, Sept. 14, 15, 16 or 17; the train service will not enable me comfortably to keep any appointment earlier than 12.30. The most convenient train back leaves at 6. p.m.

Yours very truly,

Sept. 26 1925.

Rev. James Endicott, D.D.
399 Queen Street West,
Toronto.

Dear Dr. Endicott,

I enclose the Minutes; I am afraid that they are not quite up to your standard; but I have done the best I could.

You will, of course, go through them carefully, not only to adjust them, but also to see what action arises from them for the Secretary. I thought it as well to leave the numbering to be done in your office after you had looked them over.

Sir Joseph suggested that I should remind you, though I do not think that it is necessary, to send a formal request to the different Boards to appoint their representatives to the Board of Governors for the next year.

No doubt, Sir Joseph will tell you all about the meetings; I think that good work was done, though the attendance of members of the Board was not large.

I am writing to Mr Williams, as I think that perhaps it might be better for this to come from the one who is acting as Secretary of the Meeting.

I do not think that I can add anything to what was said in reference to your absence; the Minute which you will find will explain itself. But as Secretary, I would like to have the privilege of being the one to convey to you the very real and deep sympathy of all present with you and your in the anxious time through which you are passing. It did not seem like a Board meeting without you.

The Financial Statement is rather a serious matter. I enclose a copy of it; I think that it will need to be very carefully considered by the Executive Committee; I am rather sorry that the Board did not have time to go into it; and yet, perhaps, it ought to be scrutinized with care before being thus discussed.

Perhaps you will kindly let me know that this package reaches you safely; I am enclosing all the documents that you gave me; I think you will find they are all there. I hope that you have better accounts of Mrs Endicott.

With warmest regards
Yours very sincerely,

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10th September, 1925.

Rev. Prof. Frank Anderson, M.A., D.D.,
 314 Grosvenor St.,
 London,
 Ontario.

My dear Professor Anderson:-

I am glad to know that you are back from England
 and am grateful for your kindness in agreeing to come to Toronto
 for a special meeting with Sir Joseph Flavelle.

After receiving the dates which you gave as suitable
 to you I took up the matter with Sir Joseph and in a note to me
 just received he says - "I think that the afternoon of Wednesday,
 the 16th inst., would suit me. I will reserve this date until I
 hear from you". I shall write to him, therefore, and make a definite
 appointment for a meeting in my office at 2:00 o'clock that afternoon.

Trusting this will be quite satisfactory to you,

very sincerely yours,

James Endicott

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Toronto 2, Ontario,
18th September, 1925.

Rev. J. H. Franklin, D.D.,
276 Fifth Avenue,
New York,
N.Y.

Dear Franklin:-

I appreciate very much your thoughtfulness in writing Sir Joseph and suggesting the postponement of the meeting of the Board of Governors. He has already wired to Dr. North on this point and he is, I believe, sending another message to you today. We both agree that nothing will be gained by postponing the meeting. In the first place, while Mrs. Endicott's condition is very serious and there is no hope whatever of recovery, the Doctors can give no indication regarding the length of time she will remain with us. Moreover, on account of the coming of Silcock this year from England to attend the meeting, and the improbability that he could remain on this side of the Water for a period of time, there seems every reason for going on with the meeting as originally planned and ordered by the Executive.

Dr. Anderson, at the request of Sir Joseph and myself, came to the City a few days ago so that the three of us have gone over the business to be brought before the meeting, and matters will be well in hand by Dr. Anderson who will act as Secretary for the meeting. It may be that you will be hearing from Dr. North about a few items which were referred to Committees by the last meeting of the Executive Committee.

As you know, it has always been the practice of the Board to invite any missionary who serves on the University staff or who may have more or less intimate relations with the University, to be present at the Board meetings; the invitation, however, in each case is extended through the Board Secretary to which the individual belongs. I shall be glad, therefore, if you will extend invitations to such members of your Mission as ought to be invited to the meeting of the Board.

I may say that a letter just to hand from Mr. Silcock recommends the inviting of Dr. Kuo to the meeting. He came across on the same steamer with Mr. Silcock and, on his advice, Sir Joseph and I are extending an invitation to him to be present.

With kind regards,

Very sincerely yours,

JE/R.

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Toronto 2, Ontario,
18th September, 1925.

Rev. F. M. North, D.D.,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York,
N.Y.

My dear Dr. North:-

I write in view of the meeting of the Board of Governors in New York next week.

I greatly regret that owing to the very serious illness of Mrs. Endicott it will be impossible for me to be present this year. However, after consultation with the Chairman we asked Dr. Anderson to come to the City for a few hours and the three of us have gone over pretty thoroughly the business to be brought before the meeting. It is understood that Dr. Anderson, who has acted for some years as Minute Secretary at our meetings, will have Secretarial charge of the business.

I am assuming that the meeting will be held in one or other of your Rooms at 150 Fifth Avenue, and have so stated in my call to the members.

Dr. Anderson will greatly appreciate it if you can secure for the meeting of the Executive and of the Board, the help of a competent stenographer.

You will remember that by arrangements made at our last Executive meeting the program for the 23rd and 24th was as follows -

The morning of the 23rd, commencing at 10:00 o'clock, to be devoted to a conference of the Secretaries of the Boards,

The afternoon of the same day, commencing at 2:30 o'clock, to be devoted to a meeting of the Executive Committee;

The Board of Governors to meet at dinner; arrangements for which were in your hands. The meeting to be continued presumably until 9:00 or 9:30 P.M. The second session to begin at 9:00 o'clock on the following morning and the third session to continue throughout the afternoon of that day.

Last evening I received word from Dr. Franklin, who enclosed to me a copy of a letter which he had written to Sir Joseph suggesting the postponement of the meeting in view of my inability to be present. I have had consultation with Sir Joseph and he tells me that he has already sent a telegram to you and he promises to send another of a more definite

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Rev. F. M. North: D.D.2.

character to Franklin this morning. I appreciate very much the thoughtfulness of Franklin and also your agreement with his view, but the fact is Mrs. Endicott's condition is such that we cannot prophesy how long she will remain with us and it is not at all certain, therefore, that I shall be in any better position in three or four weeks time than I am now to leave her for several days and nights. Moreover, I imagine that Franklin was unaware of the coming of Silcock to the meeting. I take it that he will probably be unable to remain on this side of the Water for any length of time and as he is the sole representative of the British Societies his presence at the meeting is most important. I am sorry that I cannot be with you this year but I am sure that we should make a mistake if we did not go on as arranged with the meeting this year.

May I call your attention to a few questions which were before the last meeting of the Executive Committee and were referred to the Secretaries for report?

Item 516 - Residence for Middle School Teachers.-- "In Minute #496 it was reported that the Canadian Methodist Board had concurred in this and that an appropriation of \$1,000. had already been made.

Dr. North and Dr. Franklin indicated that they hoped to be able to report on the matter at the Executive meeting in the Fall."

Item 525 - Question of Board Meeting in Chengtu.-- RESOLVED, THAT this matter be referred to the full Board meeting to be held in September, with the request that the Secretaries make enquiry of their respective constituents as to the feeling for the meeting to be held in Chengtu.

Item 526 - Effort to be made to raise an extra \$10,000.-- It was stated that there was no report to make. RESOLVED, THAT the matter be brought up at the next meeting of the Board of Governors.

Item 532 - Necessity of Increasing Financial Support.-- Senate Minute #1777 - "Inasmuch as an increasing budget must be provided for the University to meet its natural needs and desired growth, and inasmuch as it appears that the contributing Boards are not in a position to give assurance of a continually increasing amount toward University support,

(a) Be it RESOLVED, THAT it is the opinion of the Senate that immediate steps should be taken for the building up of a constituency, both in China and in the home lands, from which additional substantial support to that which is supplied by the contributing Mission Boards may be secured,

(b) Be it RESOLVED, THAT in order to give effect to such a policy we reaffirm our former requests that provision be made for an office in

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the home lands for the engagement of a Financial or Executive Secretary.
(c) Be it RESOLVED, THAT we recommend to the Board of Governors that Mr. J. M. Yard be engaged as University Executive Secretary and that the Board of Governors enter into negotiations with the Board of Foreign Missions of the Methodist Episcopal Church for his release under such conditons as will permit of his being engaged for this work."

The above question was considered by the Secretaries in May last, and it was recommended that the matter be reconsidered in the meeting of the Executive Committee in view of the recommendation from the field.

The following action was taken by the Executive Committee -

"RESOLVED, THAT we leave to the three Secretaries (Dr. Edwards having suggested the substitution of Dr. North for himself) the study of the whole question involved in Senate Minute 1777, and that they report to the Board.

It was further RESOLVED, THAT the President be notified that there is an additional sum of \$2,500. Gold available for maintenance purposes in 1925."

Item 541 - Relation of Women's Boards.- RESOLVED, THAT Dr. North, Dr. Franklin and Dr. Endicott be asked to prepare a Minute covering the Constitutional side of the status of the Women's Boards in relation to the University.

It is important that you prepare a Minute covering the Constitutional side of the status of the Women's Boards. Of course it was understood at the time that Franklin and I were put on to adorn the Committee rather than to prepare the Minute. It was taken for granted that you would do the real work covering this important and somewhat delicate point.

As you know, it has always been the practice of the Board to invite any missionary who serves on the University staff or who may have more or less intimate relations with the University, to be present at the Board meetings; the invitation, however, in each case is extended through the Board Secretary to which the individual belongs. I shall be glad, therefore, if you will extend invitations to such members of your Mission as ought to be invited to the meeting of the Board.

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With kind regards,

Very sincerely yours,

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Toronto 2, Ontario,
17th September, 1925.

Mr. George Vaux, Jr.,
Gulph Road,
Bryn Mawr,
Pa.

Dear Mr. Vaux:-

Owing to the very serious illness of Mrs. Endicott I shall be prevented from attending the meeting of the Board of Governors to be held in New York, on September 23rd and 24th.

In conversation with Sir Joseph Flavelle and Professor Anderson we discussed the great advisability of your being present at the meeting and we were unanimously and strongly in favor of it. Acting then on behalf of the Chairman of the Board as well as on my own behalf, I write to invite you and urge you, if possible, to be present. We believe also that it would be a distinct advantage to the Board if Mr. Pinkerton can come too, in order that the fullest knowledge possible may be had of financial matters in view of the pending transfer of the accounts to the new Treasurer. Of course we still deeply regret the necessity we are under of accepting your resignation as Treasurer.

Very sincerely yours,

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Toronto 2, Ontario,
 19th September, 1925.

Rev. Prof. Frank Anderson, M.A.,
 314 Grosvenor Street,
 London,
 Ontario.

Dear Dr. Anderson:-

I am sending, as I promised, copies of letters which I have written since our meeting the other day, together with the statement on the Pharmacy question which I have dictated for Sir Joseph Flavelle.

You will notice that we have invited Dr. P. W. Kuo to be present at the meeting.

I may say that Dr. Franklin after consultation with North wrote to Sir Joseph Flavelle urging that the meeting of the Board be postponed on account of my inability to be present; but while the intention was kindly we both agreed that it would be quite unwise to attempt any change at this time. Moreover, even if the meeting were postponed I have no guarantee that matters would be so changed as to enable me to be present.

On Monday we shall send you, in care of Dr. North, copies of the Agenda.

I deeply appreciate your goodness in coming to Toronto for the special meeting and I leave the business of the Board with all confidence in your competent hands. I hope that everything possible will be done in a financial way to meet the needs of the University and to give some reasonable encouragement to our Chairman in his very serious efforts to remedy the financial position of the University.

Very sincerely yours,

James Endicott

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Toronto, Ontario.
January 7th, 1926.

My dear Mr. Anderson:

Through the courtesy of the Hon. N. W. Rowell, of this City, a Member of the West China Union University Board, I was permitted to read a communication which he received from the Rev. Donald MacGillivray, Minister of the United Church of Canada, who is a missionary in China, and General Secretary for the Christian Literature Society for China. As it contained a great deal of interesting matter, I thought the members of the Board would have pleasure in reading it, and asked Mr. Rowell if it would be in order to send such copies. In a communication from Mr. Rowell this morning, there is the following:

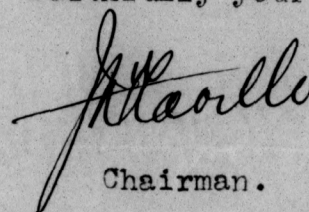
" I have consulted with Mr. Armstrong
" today, and he is satisfied that Dr. MacGilli-
" vray would have no objection to the limited
" circulation of his letter suggested by you.
" I therefore return it to you, and you are at
" liberty to keep a copy for yourself and to
" send copies to the members of the Board of
" Governors, asking them, however, to treat it
" as a confidential communication, and not for
" publication or general distribution."

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Mr. Rowell adds that he has written to Dr. MacGillivray, telling him he has taken the liberty of authorizing this limited circulation of copies of his letter.

I have pleasure therefore in handing you herewith a copy of the letter, and will ask you to observe the condition that it shall be considered a confidential communication, and not for publication or general distribution.

Faithfully yours,



Chairman.

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London, Ontario.

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Rev. J. Edwards, D.D.

Methodist Episcopal Foreign Missions Board,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

Dear Dr. Edwards,

The following is the extract from the letter received from Mr Hayward under date Oct 12 1925 regarding the C.M.S. contribution to the West China Union University;

" With regard to Finance, I have made enquiries in our Accountants' Dept, and I find that the last payment was made in June 1923, when \$200 was paid to Mr. Silcock, covering the years 1922 and 1923. There are outstanding amounts due for 1924 and 1925, and I will see to it that these are forwarded when we have received the Minutes, and see exactly what is asked for. I am unable however to trace the amount \$620.24 balance which occurs in the books as due for 1923. We did not know that we were liable for any further sums beyond the \$1,000 per annum. Apparently a mistake has been made in forwarding the amount to Mr. Silcock instead of to the Treasurer direct; but I will see to it that the next amount is forwarded direct to the Treasurer."

Per haps this will be of some assistance to Mr Gantz in clearing things up.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

Frank Anderson

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