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43 Madison Av., Madison, N.J.,

June 16, 1913.

Dr. Thos. S. Barbour,
Wollaston, Mass.

Dear Dr. Barbour,

Your very kind letter with enclosure of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00), which came a few days ago, should have been acknowledged earlier, but I was looking for a receipt form to come for my signature, so waited. This letter will probably answer the purpose of a regular receipt.

I especially appreciate your willingness to advance the needed money (I suppose if all the members approve, it will be made the regular salary for two months), so I can get to work. I have begun --quite a while ago--but wish there might even be longer time to give to it. I was expecting to work this summer, as I have the last two, and had the same place promised long ago, but felt that this is much more important, although of course, this will pay me far less than I would get in an office.

I think this money you have advanced may be considered as a loan until formal approval for the two months' salary is obtained from all the members of the Executive Committee, and I will be responsible to you personally for the amount in case they do not grant the request. In that event, if you would send me a blank note, I will sign it and return it to you, but probably I would have to ask for some little time to pay it in.

Trusting this will be satisfactory to you, and thanking you,
I am,

Very respectfully yours,

Raymond C. Ricker.

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43 Madison Avenue, Madison, N.J.,

July 24, 1913.

Rev. T. E. Egerton Shore, D.D.,
33 Richmond St. West,
Toronto, Ontario.

Dear Dr. Shore:-

To save time I will try writing on the train. I spent considerable time endeavoring to find which boats of six or eight lines would be most economical to London and about the cost going via Trans-Siberian Railway. Steamship rates vary quite a little and would be higher returning than going, when I would go. When I came to figure out the total cost to Shanghai, found some apparent discrepancies in the figures given for the Trans-Siberian (it is a complicated problem to figure out) and made further enquiries yesterday. Not reaching home till late last night, this a.m. is the earliest have been able to arrive at the total cost either way.

I should say first that Mr. Rowntree says he cannot have the plans ready before about October 1st, and he thought it might be more satisfactory to have my visit deferred until after the October meeting of the Board of Governors, so their approval of the plans could be had. I suppose, then, that this meeting is to be held in London? Will it be early in the month? It is evident that if I am not to go to London until October, and yet arrive at Shanghai at time now planned, our visit home (Iowa) must be before that, and I go from Iowa to London, coming back and sailing via Pacific, or both of us would go to Iowa as planned and both go to London and on via Siberia.

I have figured on second class S.S. as far as Moscow, but do not know whether Trans-Siberian should be second or first. What has been customary for missionaries traveling that way? I find that even if we go second class to Cheng Chun (beginning of Chinese Ry.) it will be advisable to go first class from there to Peking, as the delays, two nights at hotels (no sleepers on second class there) and baggage transfer would about total first class, without the inconveniences. It costs slightly more to go to Peking and Shanghai than via Dalney to Shanghai, but it will be well worth the extra cost for me to see the Peking Univ. (as also Nanking Univ.) and see how they meet certain

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problems. However, if the Board would not feel disposed to grant this, I think it important enough to pay the difference myself.

Below are the three different costs. I have reckoned \$50 each for incidentals via Pacific, but as there must be more sleepers and meals extra via Trans-Siberian, I have reckoned \$25 each and put in the cost of sleepers and part for meals. Also 350lbs. baggage is allowed via Pacific, and only 110 on Trans-Siberian, and even less on Chinese Ry., which will not be enough, as we will have to carry summer and winter clothing and trunks are heavy even empty. So I have put in the agent's estimate of 100 lbs. excess each, about 10% of Railroad fare. Be sure we shall keep all expenses as low as possible.

Estimates Cost Via Pacific, N.Y. to Shanghai (R.C.R. to London and return.)

R.R. fare, N.Y. to Chicago, 2 at \$20	\$40.00
" " Chicago to San Fran. 2 @ \$45.75 (miss)	91.50
Str. San Fran. to Shanghai, 2 @ \$168.75 (miss)	337.50
Incidentals, 2 @ \$50	100.00
R. C. Ricker to London from Iowa \$30 RR.	
\$60 Str.	90.00
In London, 1 week @ \$2.00 per day and tips, say	15.00
Return to Iowa, \$64.00 plus \$30.	<u>94.00</u>
	\$768.00

Atlantic & Trans. Siberian, N.Y. to Shanghai. First.

Str. 2nd class to London (incl. R.R. fare coast to London, 2 at \$60.00	\$120.00
London to Peking.	
London to Moscow, carfare 2nd class, at say \$30. (2)	60.00
Sleepers, Berlin to Moscow, 2nd class. at \$7.91 (2)	15.82
Moscow to Peking, R.R. fare, 1st class, 2 at \$142.24	284.48
Sleeper, Moscow to Chang Chun, 1st class, at \$33.06 (2)	66.12
" Chang Chun to Peking at \$2.50 plus 1.00 express fee,	7.00
Meals, (part) @ 20.	40.00
Excess baggage, 2 at say \$17.	34.00
Incidentals, 2 at \$25	50.00
In London, 1 wk. at \$15.00 (2)	30.00
Cable reservation,	4.00
To Iowa and return 2 @ \$60.00	120.00
Peking to Shanghai, 2 at \$30 Str. and \$2.60 (Peking to Tientsin)	<u>65.20</u>
	\$896.62

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Atlantic and Trans Siberian N.Y. to Shanghai.(2nd.)

Str. 2nd class to London, 2 @ \$60.00	\$120.00
London to Peking.-	
To Chang Chun, 2nd class R.R. @ \$110.71 (2)	221.42
Sleeper, Berlin to Moscow, 2nd (2) @ \$7.91	15.82
Moscow to Chang Chun, 2nd class, (2) at \$25.12	50.24
Carfare, Chang Chun to Peking, <u>1st class,</u> 2 at \$21.46	43.92
Sleeper, " Chung to Peking, 1st class, \$2.50 plus \$1.00 express fee,	7.00
Meals, (as in #1)	40.00
Excess baggage, (as in #1)	34.00
Incidentals, "	50.00
London, "	30.00
Cable reservation, "	4.00
To Iowa and return, "	120.00
Peking to Shanghai, "	<u>65.20.</u>
	\$801.60

If we are to go this way (Trans Sib.) reservation should be made at once, when I know date, as they are crowded at that time of year, and reserve two or three months in advance. If we start about Sept. 20 or 24 from N.Y. we can probably arrive in Shanghai close to the date intended in going via Pacific. To go to London in October and return and go via Pacific would delay us a great deal, that is, if we stay here until I return from London, then stop in Iowa as necessary.

Awaiting your instructions, I remain,

Respectfully yours,

(Sgd) Raymond C. Ricker.

Copy

New York, Aug. 13, 1913.

Mr. Mornay Williams,
80 Maiden Lane,
New York City.

Dear Mr. Williams:

In accordance with your suggestion I am writing to ask whether it may be possible to extend our time of sailing about two weeks, inasmuch as Mrs. Ricker is at present in the hospital, having undergone an operation for appendicitis last Saturday.

Our intended sailing date was Oct. 7, from San Francisco, but as I am to see Mr. Rowntree in October, Dr. Shore advises going via Siberia. It will be about September 1 before my wife can leave the hospital, thus making the visit to our homes very short, if we must leave by Oct. 7. Inasmuch as I will now have considerable extra time for continuing the work preparatory to the building work, I trust the Executive Committee will grant us the extra time, up to Oct. 22 or 23, according to the most advantageous sailing schedule. We may find it best to sail a little earlier in order to make the best connections en route.

I have enquired relative to Trans-Siberian reservation for two optional dates, according to your suggestion, but find that cannot be done; they requiring payment for passage on a certain date for which reservation is made. For this reason I cannot complete the arrangements until I hear the decision of the Committee. I have written Dr. Shore already, but stating that I hoped to make the optional reservation.

I regret exceedingly the necessity of asking for more time, but feel it would not be just to our own families to give them so little time, unless absolutely necessary, as

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we have seen little of them for a number of years and will not be able to for several years to come.

Thanking you in advance for communicating with the Committee members, and awaiting your reply, I am

Very respectfully,

(Sgd) Raymond C. Ricker.

43 Madison Ave.,
Madison, N.J.

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43 Madison Av., Madison, N.J.,
 Aug. 15, 1913.

Rev. Thos. S. Barbour, D.D.,
 Wollaston, Mass.

My dear Dr. Barbour,

Owing to the pressure of packing up preparatory to our return to China, and partly due to other delays, including my wife's operation for appendicitis, I have not yet purchased the instruments which the Executive Committee granted funds for. I would now like to ask for part of these funds, and also some for outgoing expenses, please. The main bills for the instruments I will have sent to you for payment, but some of the smaller things it will be easier for me to settle for, if you will allow me.

Dr. Shore may have sent you the estimate of our expenses to Shanghai, via London and Siberia, and including ~~our~~ \$120.00 for our trip to Iowa, as granted. Lest he may not have done so, I indicate it herewith:-

Estimate of Expenses to Shanghai, China.		
To Iowa and return, (2) @ \$60.00		\$120.00
Steamer to London, (2) @ \$60.00		\$120.00
London to Peking,--		
RR fare to Chang Chun, 2d class, (2) @	110.71	221.42
Sleeper, Berlin to Moscow, 2 "	(2) @ 7.91	15.82
" Moscow to Chang Chun, 2 "	(2) @ 25.12	50.24
RR fare, Chang Ch.-Peking, 1 "	(2) @ 21.46	43.92
Sleeper, " " 1 "	(2) @	
@ 2.50 plus 1.00 Express fee		7.00
Meals (2) @ say \$20.00		40.00
Excess Baggage, (2) @ say \$17.00		34.00
Incidentals (2) @ say 15.00		30.00
Cable reservation, say		4.00
Peking to Shanghai, (2) @ 30.00		60.00
		<u>\$801.60</u>

Now, if you will send me, please, sixty dollars (\$60.00) so I can make the Trans-Siberian reservation, and two hundred forty dollars (\$240.00) for the first two items, total Three Hundred Dollars (\$300.00), that will be enough until shortly before time to sail. Then if you will also send fifty dollars (\$50.00) on the \$600.00 appropriated for instruments, and the fifty (\$50.00) for the stereopticon, a sum total of Four Hundred Dollars (\$400.00), I shall be greatly obliged. Of course, I shall keep careful account of all expenditures, so I can render proper account to you. The balance of the instrument money, over ~~all~~ bills, can be sent to me later, for paying freight charges. Other funds I can get before leaving U.S., ~~and~~ (I suppose including

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Dr. Barbour, 8/15/13. 2.

fourth quarter's salary?); and funds for travel from Shanghai to Cheng-
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have to make considerable purchases in Shanghai, hence will not have
sufficient funds of our own to advance for this purpose.

May I ask what the arrangement is about paying salary on the field? | -
Also how I can best arrange about paying my insurance premiums, which
are due, Metropolitan in Dec., and Accident in Nov.

I regret the necessity of asking for an extension of time to
partly offset the shortening of our time with our people, but appendi-
citis is a thing that must be attended to. Mrs. Ricker is getting along
very nicely.

Awaiting your reply, I remain,

Respectfully yours,

Raymond C. Ricker.

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Mr. Richer

St. Barbois, 8/15/13

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are due, Metropolitan in Dec., and Accident in Nov.

I regret the necessity of asking for an extension of time to
reply to you. The shortening of our time with our people, but especially
this is a thing that must be attended to. Mr. Richer is getting along
very nicely.

Awaiting your reply, I remain,

Respectfully yours,

James H. Richer

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43 Madison Av., Madison, N. J.

Aug. 21, 1913.

Dear Dr. Barbour.

Thank you for your letter, one with letter from Dr. Franklin; and one with draft for \$400⁰⁰, receipts for which I enclose herewith.

Am very glad to have Dr. Franklin's suggestions. I hope to hear today or tomorrow from Mr. Williams about the time extension. Am glad you and he favor it, and think the others will, for which we shall be duly grateful. Mrs. Ricker is getting along very nicely, and I hope can leave the hospital soon.

Yours very truly,

Raymond L. Ricker

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1		#3170 Gilmore Needles			3.75	3.75
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343 So. 11th St. West, Cedar Rapids, Ia.

Sept. 1, 1913.

Rev. Thos. S. Barbour, D.D.,
Wollaston, Mass.

Dear Dr. Barbour,

Mr. Williams wrote me that he had sent you the bill in triplicate of Keuffel & Esser Co. for surveying instruments. I asked for four copies, as frequently two or three are needed in shipping, for customs, etc. One copy, at least, was for yourself. So will you please send me such copies as you may not have need for? Fairbanks Co. sent me 3 copies, and one to Mr. Williams, as requested.

I shall be glad to know as soon as convenient the arrangement made with Dr. North about payment of salary, insurance premiums, bills, etc. I do not just know with whom I should communicate on the field about the house we are to occupy while our own house is building. Will you please give me the names of members of the University Senate, also?

You will be glad to know that Mrs. Ricker stood the trip nicely, and is feeling quite well, except somewhat tired.

Sincerely yours, Raymond Ricker.

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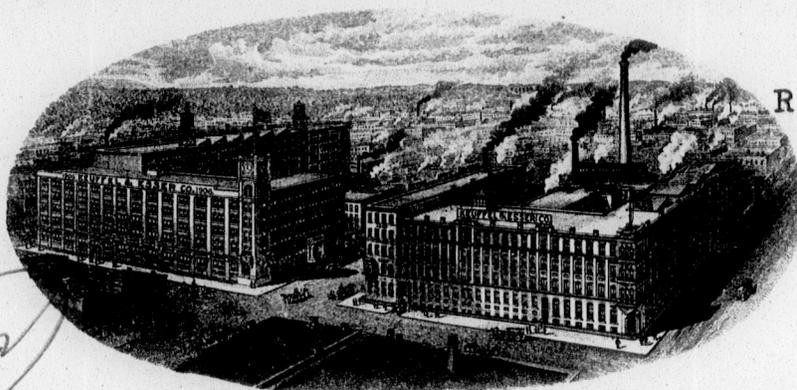
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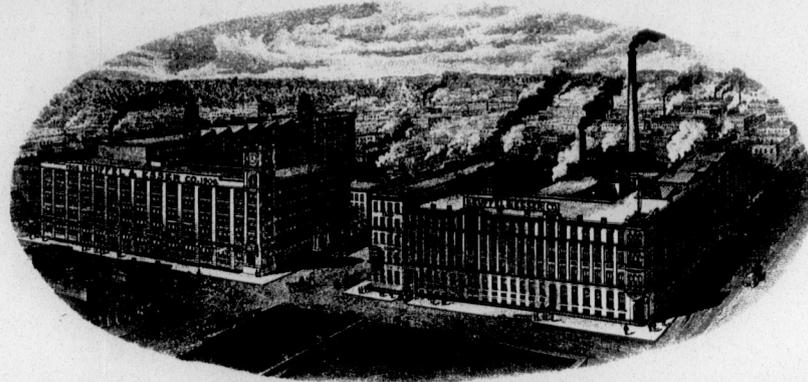
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Mr. Mornay Williams, Pres., Board of Governors, West China Union University,
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$4\frac{1}{2}$	10	yards	# 50-42" Duplex Drawing Paper	1	70		
	1	only	# 1692 Map Measure	3	00		
1	1	"	# 1888-42" Xylonite Lined T Square	3	60		
$\frac{1}{4}$	1	box	# 2677 Stamped Steel Thumb Tacks		55		
1	5	bottles	Higgins' Waterproof Drawing Ink (2 Black, 1 each Carmine, Blue, Green)	1	25	.25	
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Mr. Thomas S. Barbour,
Stoddard, N. H.

Dear Sir:-

IN YOUR REPLY PLEASE REFER TO OUR
FILES X-9927-10022-10023-10076::

We are in receipt of your favor of Sept. 25th together with your check for \$100.00 to apply on freight charges on shipments of Household Goods account of Rev. R. C. Ricker of Madison, N. J., shipments destined to Ichang, China.

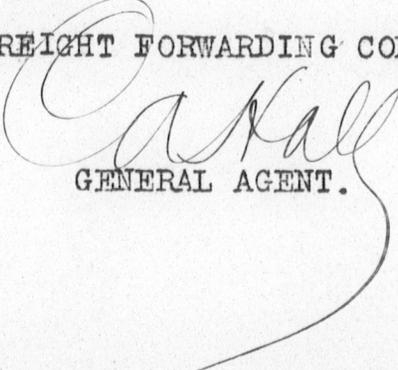
We are pleased to advise you that Rev. Ricker's shipment has gone forward and we expect to mail him his Export Ladings in a day or two.

Rev. Ricker wired us today that he was sending us money to fully prepay the shipment which is in addition to the amount that you have remitted and on receipt of this remittance from Rev. Ricker we will, as stated above, send him the Ladings.

Yours faithfully,

JUDSON FREIGHT FORWARDING COMPANY.

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GENERAL AGENT.

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Muscataine, La., Oct. 3, 1913.

Dr. Thos. S. Barbour.

Stoddard, N. H.

My dear Dr. Barbour.

The draft for \$370⁰⁰ was received some days ago, but I have been waiting to get my accounts balanced up before writing, so as to know definitely what to write to you. Enclosed please find receipts for \$470⁰⁰ - one being for \$100⁰⁰ sent by you to Judson Freight Forwarding Co., N. Y. I have not yet received ^{from them} acknowledgment of the amount, but suppose it will be along soon.

You are right about the amounts sent me. You have sent \$400.00 of the \$800.00 estimated for the trip N. Y. to Iowa and La. to Shanghai via London & Peking. I shall need the balance before leaving New York, and would suggest that you send this (say \$400 or a little more, to be on the safe side) to me, at Mr. Mornay Williams office in N. Y., to await my arrival. I must pay most of that out in N. Y. City. An amount on Instruments will be mentioned below.

I do not have any figures showing rates of fare Shanghai to Schang. You probably can supply or

● Dr. Barbour. 2

get that - from one of the Boards sending mission-
aries to West China. If that money, and something
for the houseboat journey to Chungking (my own
funds will be too low to advance it) could be sent
to me Care Methodist Publishing House, 10 Wo-
sung Road, Shanghai, China, I shall be grateful.
I do not wish to borrow on the way, if that can
be avoided. I believe the Treasurer on the field will
pay the houseboat expenses, so he could reimburse
you for that?

Now regarding ~~equipment~~ the balance of the
\$600⁰⁰ appropriated for instruments. You have
paid Keuffel & Esser Co, & Fairbank, bills 241.62
131.69
Total \$373.31. I should have the balance \$373.31

for other purchases that I have made at other
places, shipping with my own goods, paying freight,
duty, etc. I have received \$50⁰⁰ of this, leaving a
balance of \$176.69, which it would be most conven-
ient for me to receive at Mr. Williams' office, along
with the \$400+ travel money. I am keeping careful
account of all these things, and will render a full
account when the totals are complete. ^{\$50.00 stipend money} is independent of this.

What arrangement has been made about payment
of salary by one of the Boards, payment of bills at home, etc?
Should like to have this clear before we start. To sail by White
Star S.S. "Oceanic" Oct. 18.

If you write by early mail to me at 343 So. 11th St. N.W., Cedar Rapids, Ia.,
I can get it before starting East. Leave there Saturday 11th.
Respectfully yours,
Raymond A. Picher.

27 Cedar St., New York, N.Y.
Oct. 17, 1913.

Rev. Thos. S. Barbour, D.D.,
Wollaston, Mass.

Dear Dr. Barbour,

Your three letters (1 to Cedar Rapids, 1 to 150 5th Av., City, and 1 here, with draft for \$596.69) have been received. Thank you. Enclosed please find receipts for this draft. Thank you for your kind words. I greatly appreciate your kindness and friendship.

In regard to the account - I sent you a full statement from Iowa, which you have no doubt received. As yet I have not received any ^{further} money from Toronto on salary & incidentals. Will write you from London if I receive it later. The account as you sent it (received yesterday) is correct, so far as I can remember. My books are in my trunk, so I cannot say positively. There seems to be a misunderstanding about the months for which

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salary was paid. Miss Milloy says July & Aug. (2 mo.)
and Sept., Oct. & Nov. (3 mts). Then I had 2 mo. salary
for study (sent by you). I had counted these as June
and July, altho my school work was over May 15, and
began the study soon after that. If it is right for me
to count it as Miss Milloy does (May & June from you,
and Board salary July to Nov.) that will help me out
a good bit; but I had not expected it to be so, and
was counting 5 mo. Board of Gov. salary paid thru
Dec. Please advise me which is correct.

The only money I have received from Toronto is
\$300 for furniture and \$66.66 for 2 mo. salary.
Shall be glad to receive the other funds at Shanghai,
90 Meth. Pub. House, 10 Toosung Road.

With kindest regards,

Very sincerely yours,

Raymond C. Ricker.

GEORGE M. HALSEY, CASHIER.
CHAS. B. CARPENTER, TREASURER }

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PRESIDENT.

SEAMEN'S BANK FOR SAVINGS,

74 & 76 WALL STREET, J

NEW YORK, December 19, 1913.

Thomas S. Barbour,
Wollaston,
Massachusetts.

Sir:-

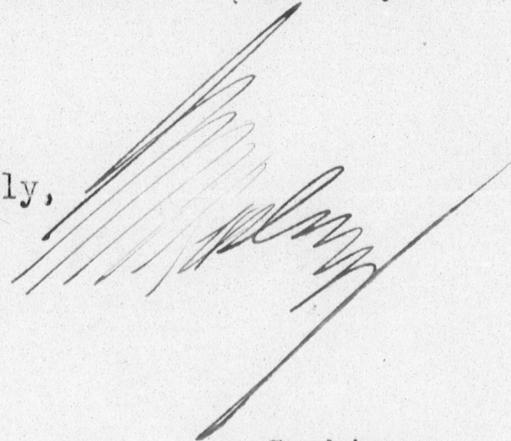
Replying to yours of December 18th.

Herewith is returned your check as Treasurer, for \$672.,
drawn on the First National Bank of Boston, for deposit to the
credit of R. L. Simkins, account #526,600.

Deposits are limited to \$500. within six months and when
checks are received, they must be drawn on Banks in the City of
New York &c.

Copy of rules herewith.

Respectfully,



Cashier.

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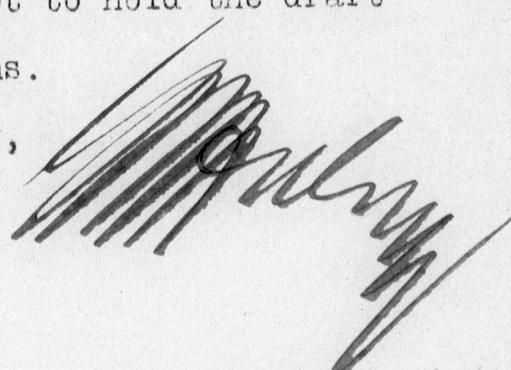
Thomas S. Barbour,
Wollaston,
Massachusetts.

Sir:-

Replying to yours of December 20th.

Under the circumstances announced by you, we will accept a deposit of \$672. to the credit of Mr. Robert L. Simkins, who has account #526,600 here, but it is absolutely necessary that the Pass Book should be presented with that deposit. If the Book is not in your possession, or you can not get it, I really do not see that anything can be done except to hold the draft until you can hear further from Mr. Simkins.

Respectfully,



Cashier.

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FOREIGN DEPARTMENT

33 Richmond Street West

Toronto, Nov. 8, 1911.

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Rev. T. S. Barbour, D.D.,
Ford Building,
Boston, Mass.

Dear Dr. Barbour:

I enclose herewith, two copies of the provisional draft of an agenda for the annual meeting of the Board of Governors of West China Union University, to be held in New York December 13th and 14th. One of these copies is for yourself and the other is for Dr. DeBlois. I have sent a copy direct to Mr. Mornay Williams. I shall be glad if you will look this draft over, and make any suggestions as to changes or additions that may be desired.

Dr. Hodgkin, in a recent letter, suggested that both the Executive and Finance Committees should meet prior to the meeting of the Board of Governors, and be prepared to report fully upon the matters committed to them. I have written to Mr. Williams, suggesting that he call a meeting of the Executive Committee for the morning of December 12th. You are Chairman of the Finance Committee. I believe that the members of this Committee are:

- Dr. T. S. Barbour, Chairman
- Dr. A. K. DeBlois, American Baptist
- H. W. Harris, Friends'
- (Mr. W. O. Ganz, Methodist Episcopal)
- N. W. Rowell, Canadian Methodist.

It may be difficult for you to get that committee together. It is not likely that Mr. Harris of England will be available. I doubt very much if Mr. Rowell will be able to attend the meeting of the Board of Governors at all this year. He has recently been elected Leader of the Liberal Party in the Province of Ontario,

Mr. J. E. Stuyvesant (M.E.) was appointed on Executive Com. by Joint Commission in London; but he is not now a member of the Board of Governors, New W. C. Ganz having been appointed to the place. I think it would be better to have Dr. Stuyvesant on the Executive Com. than Mr. Ganz.

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Rev. T. S. Barbour - #2

and is now exceedingly busy in a campaign for a general Provincial election which will take place on December 10th. It is quitelike that he will have much to attend to during the days following that election, and so may be prevented from attending either the meeting of the Finance Committee or the Board of Governors. I think that Mr. W. O. Ganz is a new member of the Board, having been appointed this year one of the three representatives of the Methodist Episcopal Church. You will be able to decide what is best to do under these circumstances. Of course we shall have your report as Treasurer before us at the Board meeting. You might at the same time, offer any recommendations which you have made through the Finance Committee if you find it impracticable to have a meeting of the Finance Committee. (X)

I do not know whether you have had copies of the Minutes of the Temporary Board of Management and Senate. I am sending you under another cover, two copies for yourself and Dr. DeBlois. I have sent one copy to Mr. Mornay Williams.

I sincerely trust that you have quite recovered from your illness of some weeks ago, and that you will be able to attend the meeting of the Board.

With kindest regards,

Yours sincerely,

J. E. Egerton Shore

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FOREIGN DEPARTMENT

33 Richmond Street West

Toronto,
October 29th, 1912.

Rev. T. S. Barbour, D. D.,
Box No. 10,
Wallaston, Mass.

My Dear Dr. Barbour:-

I have received your letter of the 26th inst., enclosing a statement of the Budget submitted to the Board. I thank you for the information. We are incorporating it in the Minutes.

I note in your letter that you say that only about \$2,000 will have to be raised by levy on the four Boards. I am perplexed to know how you arrived at the allotment which was made by the Board, of \$1,000 for each Board. Perhaps we shall have to revise this at our Executive Committee Meeting. Dr. Hodgkin has written suggesting that we have our Executive Committee call to meet in New York on November 9th. I am writing today to Mr. Williams asking for his instructions in the matter.

I am glad to say that we are all well at home, and continue to cherish the memories of your recent visit.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

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33 Richmond Street West

Toronto, Dec. 6, 1912.

Rev. T. S. Barbour, D.D.,
P. O. Box 10,
Wollaston, Mass.

Dear Dr. Barbour:-

Dr. Shore is absent from the city, so I hasten to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 4th instant.

Dr. Shore evidently overlooked the fact that you had not the addresses of the four competing architects, and consequently could not forward the cheques. He would be glad, however, I am sure if you would now send cheques to the unsuccessful architects. Their addresses are as follows:-

Messrs. Silcock & Reay, 47 Milson St., Bath, Eng.
Messrs. Rowntree & Son, 11 Hammersmith Terrace,
London W. England.
Messrs. Gordon & Helliwell, Confederation Life Bldg.,
Toronto, Ont.
Messrs. Stoughton & Stoughton, 96 Fifth Avenue,
New York.

In case you have not a copy of the minutes of the last meeting of the Executive Committee by you, I quote the following:-

"RESOLVED, that the Committee on University Plans consider the whole question of architects fees to be paid in connection with the preparation of subsequent plans, it being assumed that in the case of the successful architects the competition fee should be included in the total fee for the work."

I judge from this minute that you will not send cheque to Messrs. Rowntree & Son, until correspondence has been opened up with them in

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Rev. T. S. Barbour, D.D.- #2

harmony with the above minute. Dr. Shore has written to Messrs. Rowntree & Son regarding the plans, but I do not think he has mentioned the matter of honorarium. I will bring this to his attention on his return to the city.

The Minutes of the meeting of the Executive Committee of the Board of Governors were mailed from this office on the 3rd instant. I trust you have received the copy addressed to you.

Yours very truly,

J. Milloy
Secretary to Dr. Shore.

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15 Devonshire Street,
Bishopsgate, London, E. C.
January 29th, 1913.

Rev. T. E. E. Shore,
Canadian Methodist Mission,
33 Richmond Street West,
Toronto, Ont.

My Dear Shore:-

Many thanks for your full letter of January 17th, which is just to hand, and for the copy of the Minutes of the Executive Committee held in New York on January 14th.

In reading these through, I realized the point of view of the Executive Committee in regard to Mr. Rowntree's visit in a way that I had not done before. At the same time, I cannot help feeling that we have taken the right step.

The main point is the question of the adjoining land. There are probably only two or three alternatives, owing to the way in which our land is placed and the progress which has already been made with the scheme. Probably in a month or two's time, the Senate will know pretty well which of these alternatives is the most likely, but even if that were not so, it will be possible for Mr. Rowntree to see the land in the neighborhood and to talk over the various possible methods for laying out with the Senate. This may mean a little extra work, but he feels that the final layout can quite rightly be determined by him at this end after he has seen all the land in the neighborhood and gone over the ground with the Senate and discussed matters fully on the spot. I have just heard from him that he is glad that we are able to go forward in the matter, as he feels more than ever that his trip to China is the right thing at the present time.

I am very glad that you are consulting other missionary societies in regard to the question of the fees for building. I do not think that we need anticipate any difficulty with Mr. Rowntree on this head. I think that he will be as glad as I am myself that such consultation is being undertaken. His desire is to be entirely reasonable with the Board and if it appears that the basis which he has suggested is excessive as compared with what has been customary in other cases, I am quite sure that he will be prepared to accept modification of it. Would you like me to make enquiry of missionary societies in this country? I think that perhaps there may be some experience here on similar building undertakings which would be of value. In regard to our own buildings, we have scarcely ever employed a foreign architect, and where we have done so up to date, I think that it has been someone who has been known to us, and has done the work gratuitously though I remember one case in which a fee was given for a set of plans which were submitted and sent out to the field, but where the architect did not himself supervise the building and consult at all stages. Of course, we have no experience of anything on this scale.

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I have nothing further to report in regard to the fund for Mr. Rowntree's expenses and fees for this trip; but we are only just beginning to get to work on the canvass on this country.

I note the various other points raised in the Minutes of the Executive, and approve of the action taken in each case.

I particularly note Minute 80, in which my attention is drawn to the regulation about accounts. I think that I cannot be mistaken in saying that the amount referred to was paid prior to the passing of this regulation. I hope that we shall strictly adhere to it. The persons in this office who might have to deal with such a matter in my absence have been informed about it.

I think that it is quite clear that we ought to have a superintendent for University Building, and I hope a suitable person may be found. I suppose that this is a matter which ought, before final ratification, to be discussed with Mr. Rowntree. There is a bare possibility that Mr. Morrison who is now in China undertaking certain buildings for us, could be liberated for a while for University work if there were difficulty in finding anyone else; but I am not able to make any promise about this, and I do not wish to raise any hopes in the matter. If arrangements could be made without calling him away from the work which he is now doing, so much the better. In a year's time I hope that he will be in Chengtu engaged on our college building. He served his apprenticeship, or part of it, under Mr. Rowntree, so that if he were liberated for this work, he would probably be well able to fall in with Mr. Rowntree's ideas.

* When you say that the full amount which Dr. Barbour has in hand for the building and endowment fund is a little over \$2000, you do not include, of course, the amount which has already been paid by the China Emergency Committee, which I believe comes up to \$4500. Then, again there are, I suppose, certain promises which will be fulfilled in the near future.

I am sorry that more was not received from the Rogers Brothers. I knew that they were pretty much involved in Pickering College. Perhaps they may give more later. I suppose that Mr. Elias Rogers has not responded at all.

* To revert for a moment to the question of fees, I think it important that we should discover what the cost of building is in the places about which information is received. If we could get the cost per cubic foot of the buildings erected in Canton, the information contained in your letter would be much more valuable. Probably the cost per cubic foot is at least double what has been estimated for the buildings in Chengtu, and this would, of course, put rather a different complexion on the proposition. I think that this is a material point, and one which ought in each case, to be ascertained.

I am very sorry to hear that you had such a severe attack of sickness, and hope that by this time you are thoroughly recovered.

The matter of the grant for the additional land will come before my Committee next week, when I hope to have some information to send to you,

With kind regards, I am,

Yours very sincerely,

Henry T. Hodgkin.

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January 15th, 1913.

Rev. T.E.E.Shore, D.D.,
Canadian Methodist Mission,
33, Richmond Street West,
Toronto, Canada.

My dear Shore,

This morning I received the following cablegram from you:

"Executive defers Rowntree visit China fifty
acres not secured money not available writing
Shore".

The receipt of this message has put me into an extremely difficult position. Since writing to you on the 13th December, when I put the whole question before you, more than a month has elapsed, and if Mr Rowntree was to go out at all this spring it was necessary for him to begin to make his arrangements. I expected that if you and others did not approve of the suggestion, I should have heard by cable before now, and I have, therefore, encouraged him to go forward with making his plans. In fact I told you in my letter that he was making plans "to leave early in February in the expectation that the Board of Governors would fall in with the suggestion". Under these circumstances, I think that you will understand that my not hearing from you led me to conclude that, while you might have suggestions to make in reference to the terms of his going, you were not proposing to offer any objection to his going at all. Of course what your cable says is simply that you wish the journey to be deferred. This, however, has become almost impossible owing to the lapse of time. Mr Rowntree has engaged his seats and paid a deposit on his ticket: he has arranged with his brother to go with him (of course at his own charges) and he has planned all the work of his office so as to be able to take this long time away from it. To defer the visit would, of course, mean leaving it till after the summer, if not till later still. Things have worked out well for him in planning to go this spring, and it would very likely be impossible for him to be away during the autumn of this year. In that case, there would be a delay of a full year before he could make his visit to West China. In his opinion this delay would mean holding up all the University buildings. He feels that he could not plan any of the buildings in their final shape until after he has paid this preliminary visit.

Moreover, there is the other building which is being done by the Missions. It seems to me especially now that Mr Rowntree

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has been appointed, that he should consult with the Missions on the spot in reference to their buildings, and especially in regard to the sites.

The most serious question which your cable raises is that of the 50 additional acres not having been secured. I suppose that the Senate is negotiating in regard to this matter at present, and even if the land has not been purchased, they will probably have a fair idea as to the one or two possible pieces of land, sufficient, at any rate, for Mr Rowntree to discuss with them the various problems involved in the lay-out, even if he could not fix the lay-out in its final form while in Chengtu.

In regard to the financial side of the proposition, I have proposed to Mr Rowntree that he should accept my guarantee for an inclusive sum of £200 to cover travelling expenses for the entire journey (including the return by way of America) and that the question of the fee should be held over for discussion between him and the Executive and adjustment in relation to the fees due on account of actual buildings erected. This may involve him in some immediate embarrassment; but he is prepared to accept this as a solution of the present impasse.

To put the matter in a nutshell: Mr Rowntree, with my approval, has carried his arrangements for going to such a point as to make it almost impossible to go back upon them. My approval was given on the assumption that I should have heard before today had the Executive disapproved of the course suggested in my letter of December 13th. Moreover, Mr Rowntree would find it difficult, if not impossible, to defer this journey for less than a year, if it had to be deferred at all, a fact which would not have been in the minds of the members of the Executive when they reached the decision which you have cabled to me.

Under these circumstances, I propose to communicate with all the British members of the Board, asking them to agree with me in approving of Mr Rowntree's going forward with his preparations to leave on the 1st February, on the understanding that the question of the fee is held in abeyance, and that I personally guarantee his travelling expenses, as named above. I have very little doubt that I shall be able to raise this sum in a special gift for this purpose. Thus the Board is not involved, at the present moment, in any out-of-pocket expenses, and we are able to secure, as soon as possible, Mr Rowntree's valuable advice, after a personal inspection of the situation, and he will secure the great advantage of first-hand knowledge of conditions and Chinese architecture before going forward with the final plans for the University buildings. The Senate will also have the advantage of full consultation with him in reference to buildings and lay-out.

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In making this suggestion, I recognise the gravity of the step which I am taking in opposition to the views of the Executive, as expressed in your cable. I only take it because I believe that, if the Executive were here and discussing the matter with Mr Rowntree and me at this moment, they would agree to the course proposed. The situation in which I find myself is of a character which must almost inevitably arise in the handling of an enterprise like this in which the governing body is separated by such long distances. Were it possible to cable the whole situation to you and receive your reply, I should adopt this course, but that seems out of the question in view of the complexity of the situation, and I fear that a cable would only confuse the issue and make it more difficult. I have, therefore, felt bound to take this very serious responsibility, and I can only throw myself on the mercy of the Board, and ask that, if I have done wrong, I may be excused. I am only anxious that the best interests of the University should be served, as you well know, and I trust that I shall not be shown, by the event, to have made a mistake in this case.

I am sending this letter today in order to get to you as quickly as possible; but I shall not act upon the suggestions contained in it until I have heard from the British members of the Board of Governors, and I shall write to you again on Saturday informing you of their replies. I shall send on Saturday a copy of this letter to each of the members of the Executive in order that the matter may be fully before them, and I shall be greatly relieved if they are prepared to agree to this action, and if you can inform me of their agreement by cable before Mr Rowntree leaves. He is most anxious to avoid doing anything which will prejudice the work of the University or embarrass the harmonious management of it at the home end. The matter has gone so far now that I am compelled either to say, in the light of your cable, that he must defer his visit for a year and accept the consequences (which I believe would be more serious than the Executive realised in reaching this decision) or to propose some such course as that which I have suggested.

With sincere regret at finding myself, as it seems to me, under the necessity of acting contrary to the judgment of the Executive Committee,

I am,
Yours very sincerely,

(Signed) HENRY T. HODGKIN.

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15 Devonshire Street,
Bishopsgate, London, E. C.
January 31st, 1913.

Rev. T. E. E. Shore, D. D.,
Canadian Methodist Mission,
53 Richmond Street West,
Toronto, Ont.

My dear Shore:-

In further reference to our recent correspondence, I have now had a long talk with Mr. Rowntree and have discussed with him the matters raised by the minutes of the Executive Committee.

In regard to the question of fees, he fully agrees with what I have written to you and I have no doubt that the matter will come up in conversation when he is in America, I think that you will find him entirely reasonable in regard to it. He agrees with me in feeling the necessity of discovering the rate at which the buildings in Canton or other places were put up. This, of course, is very material for our purposes. I think that you will find him quite ready to comply with any reasonable suggestion that we may make.

Mr. Rowntree expects to reach San Francisco on the 8th July, where his address will be "C/o W. Grey, American Biscuit Company". He would be glad to hear from you at least by that date, making suggestions as to his meeting you and other members of the Board of Governors before he leaves New York on the 23rd July. He could defer his departure from New York somewhat if it was absolutely necessary. According to his present plans, he will proceed almost at once from San Francisco to Chicago, where he will see the buildings of the Chicago University, and probably stay with Dr. Burton. From there he will either go direct to New York or at my suggestion, he is quite willing to go, say, on the 16th or 17th, to Toronto, where he could spend a day or two and meet you and other members of the Board, going to New York, say on the night of the 18th or 19th, where he would be able to meet with other members. He would probably run over for a day to Philadelphia. If during that time, it was possible for him to meet the Executive as a whole, it would, no doubt, be advantageous, but you will know whether that can be arranged or not.

I should be glad if Mr. Rowntree could have an opportunity of meeting Mr. Rowell, Mr. Flavelle, and Professor Bowles while he is in Toronto.

You can catch Mr. Rowntree any time up to June 3rd by addressing him "C/o T. Cook & Son, Hongking", or up to 21st June by sending "C/o T. Cook & Son, Yokohama". It would probably be

just possible for you to reach him by letter at Chengtu within a week or two of your receiving this from me; but as he is only going to be a few weeks in the City, that would, I imagine, be cutting it rather fine. He is leaving tomorrow.

I asked Winston's of Philadelphia to send you a little volume containing an address which I delivered while in America, and which may be of interest to you. I wonder whether it reached you. If not, I must write to them about it.

With kind regards to Mrs. Shore and yourself.

I am,

Yours very sincerely,

Henry T. Hodgkin.

P. S. In reference to Minute 119 of the meeting of the Board of Governors the amendment proposed is recorded, but no statement follows to say that the amendment was passed. This, of course, is merely a clerical oversight, but it ought to be remedied in the official copy of the minutes. If you will send me the wording which you propose to enter, I will add it to my copy.

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February 3, 1913.

Miss J. Milloy,
 c/o Rev. T. E. Egerton Shore,
 33 Richmond Street, West,
 Toronto, Canada.

Please cable Hodgkin according to your understanding. Baptist
 cannot
 Board certainly do anything before end of May next, then only with
 consent of Convention and at present I think that is doubtful.
 Personally do not favor Rowntree going to China on this uncertain-
 ty. Only consented on understanding his expenses provided for in
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Mornay Williams.

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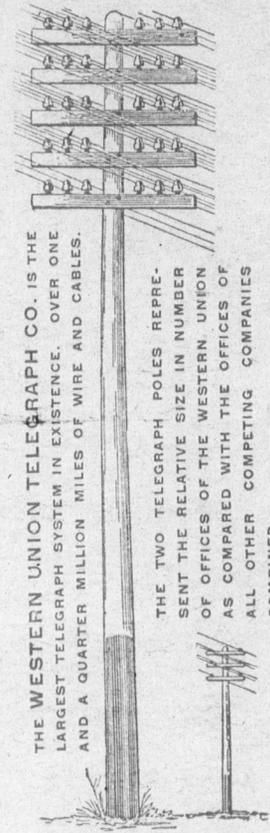
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February 3, 1913.

Henry T. Hodgkin, M.A.,
15 Devonshire Street,
Bishopsgate,
London, E.C., England.

My dear Dr. Hodgkin:--

Your favor of the 18th inst., with the enclosures, is received. I am sorry that there has been this misunderstanding, and am greatly sorry that you should be so troubled. My feeling is, however, that you have gone ahead a little too fast. Our Board particularly is embarrassed. The Board, while being the executive of an independent society, is very much hampered by an agreement, (which I think is an unwise one) which has been entered into with the Northern Baptist Convention, an organization that is supposed to represent, through delegates, the Baptist churches in the northern states. Under this agreement, our Foreign Mission Society cannot undertake any new expenditures not covered by the budget which is submitted each year to the Northern Baptist Convention, except by the consent of the Finance Committee of the Convention, a consent which is not easily procured. Of course, the budget for the current year does not contain any appropriation for the purchase of these fifty acres of land, and while we are making strenuous efforts, not only to raise the amount of the budget, but to exceed it by a large amount, the effort has not thus far been as successful as we could hope, and unless a

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larger amount of money than at present seems likely to be reached is obtained, we may not only be unable to advance, but may have to face a deficit. Last year there was a deficit. Under these circumstances, it is in my judgment very possible that we may not obtain permission to include an appropriation for this purpose, even in May, and we certainly cannot obtain it before that time, which is the time of the meeting of the Convention. For this reason I have been constrained to send to Dr. Shore's office a telegram of which I enclose a copy to you. I greatly regret to seem to take what you may regard as a too conservative attitude, and yet, we are so tied up that there is no other attitude possible. Very much the same state of affairs, as I understand, exists in the Methodist Board, and while the Canadian Methodists are somewhat better off, even there I think they could hardly go forward without assurance that the Baptists and the Methodists in the United States would be ready with their quota.

I am much obliged to you for the very attractive looking pamphlet which you sent, and only wish that I were in such a position that I could devote more time to the affairs of the West China Union University. One great difficulty with me is that this is only one of a very large number of other matters in which I am engaged. I am, as I think you know, Vice Chairman of the Laymen's Missionary Movement of this country and Canada, and President of the Baptist Laymen's Missionary Movement. I am also Chairman of the New York Child Labor Committee, and a member of the Prison Association of this state.

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All of these positions entail a great deal of work and thought outside of my profession, and you can see that I cannot devote as much time as I should like to do to the work of the University.

Very sincerely yours,

(Sgd) Mornay Williams.

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Dr. Barbour.

Copy.

15, Devonshire Street,
Bishopsgate, London, E.C.

February 5th, 1913.

Rev. T.E.E. Shore, D.D.,
Canadian Methodist Mission,
33, Richmond Street West,
Toronto, Canada.

My dear Shore,

Many thanks for your splendid letter of the 23rd January, which gives such full information in regard to the position of the Executive in relation to Mr Rowntree's proposed trip to West China.

I am grieved indeed to see that it contains also news of your being in a bad condition of health, and having to take a prolonged holiday. I am extremely sorry for this, and hope that, by the time this letter reaches you, you will be thoroughly set up again, and fit for full work, and that your trip in the West will be satisfactory in every way.

As I read your letter I felt very sorry that I had not known more fully what the views of the Executive were in relation to the proposal for Mr Rowntree's visit to China. Had this information been before me earlier, and especially had I realised the hesitation which the Committee seem to have had on the ground of their not knowing what Mr Rowntree's fees would be and their feeling that the matter was being rushed forward unduly, I need hardly say that my action would have been different. As it is, I did not realise, from the cables received, that there was quite so strong a feeling as that which is expressed in your letter.

Your letter arrived two days after Mr Rowntree had left for West China, and you will understand from my previous letter how it was that we went forward with the matter. The fact that all his arrangements were made, and the difficulty of reopening the question at such a late date, certainly did put us here into a very difficult position. At the same time, even that difficulty would have been faced had we appreciated the very considerable hesitation that the Executive evidently feel in regard to the matter on the grounds referred to above.

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Now, however, that Mr Rowntree has gone, the matter is, of course, past recall, and I can only say again that I am extremely sorry if I have acted with undue haste in this matter, as I am afraid that it appears that I have done. You know, of course, without my assuring you of the fact, that it has only been in order to do the best possible for the University, and I hope that my fault may be pardoned in this case. I cannot help hoping sincerely that the results of the trip may appear in the end to amply justify the step which has been taken.

I have just received a gift of £300, which, I understand, is applicable to this particular purpose, and I have no doubt whatever about the covering of the financial obligations.

So far as the question of regular fee is concerned, Mr Rowntree is entirely ready to fall in with what has been the practice in similar cases, and has no desire to stick out for an unusually high rate.

I have today received the following cable from you: but this, too, is, of course, too late to alter the decision:

"Methodist Episcopal Board cannot make appropriation land until November Baptists not until May and then doubtful Williams unfavourable Rowntree's visit on this uncertainty only consent on understanding contained your letter January Twenty Second. Shore."

I am sorry to hear that the other Missions are not yet able to put up the money. I have every reason to hope that we shall soon be able to record some funds available for this purpose in England.

The only point on which I am not quite clear is whether money raised by us for the central fund of the University may be contributed for this specific purpose, or whether we must ask that the money should be given direct to the F.F.M.A. in order to count as their contribution to the University fund. Of course the matter is largely one of how it is presented to the individual, and anyone who was giving money at my request would, I think, be willing to give it in either way. Personally I should have preferred that all the money for this new purchase had gone into the funds of the Board of Governors, and then been paid out by them, rather than that it should be levied as a pro rata contribution upon the various Missions. I think that in England we could quite well raise our share of that fund.

There is a great deal of truth in what you say about the necessity of having someone who is well able to raise money getting to work on this proposition for a year or two. In fact I think that

you are right in thinking that this is the only thing which will secure the funds. If Mr Beech is the man (as I think perhaps he may be) I hope that we shall be able to secure his help during a prolonged furlough.

I note your point about the difficulty of preparing an Annual Report which will provide any additional information beyond that given in the Report for 1911. It may be that it would be wiser for us, especially now that there has been this inevitable delay, to withhold the Report altogether. We do not want to spend money unduly on such things, and, of course, we are now getting out further information for the canvass which may, to some extent, obviate the necessity of preparing a fresh Annual Report.

I note also what you say about having a hundred copies of the printed statement, but am not taking any action in reference to the matter until I have heard from you and other members of the board after you have seen the statement. Then I should be glad to know also whether you would wish to have the figures altered as suggested. I have, in the meantime, only ordered the number which I require for the canvass in this country.

Many thanks for your information in reference to teaching appointments in Canada. I have communicated this to the lady who has been making enquiries.

I am sending this letter to your office as usual, in the hope that Miss Milloy will deal with it during your absence. I am forwarding copies of it to the other members of the Executive in order that they might appreciate the position and to save my writing again at a time when I am unusually busy.

With kind regards and best wishes,
I am,
Yours very sincerely,

(Signed) HENRY T. HODGKIN.

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February 11th, 1913.

Rev. T. S. Barbour, D.D.,
 Box 10,
 Wollaston, Mass.

My dear Dr. Barbour:-

In Dr. Shore's absence and in view of a possible meeting of the West China Union University Executive, shortly after his return, we deem it wise to keep you informed of the progress of the University affairs. Hence we are sending you copies of letters just received from Dr. Hodgkin re the visit of Mr. Rowntree to China, and other matters.

Dr. Hodgkin has sent us a copy of a pamphlet which he has gotten out, and states that he was sending copy also to each of the other representatives on the Executive, and further that he was asking Dr. Shore if he would wish to have a supply of these for use among the Boards here. I do not feel like taking the responsibility in Dr. Shore's absence of asking Dr. Hodgkin to send a large quantity of these, but if you will advise me in this matter as to what you think it best to do, I will be pleased to instruct Dr. Hodgkin accordingly.

We notice by the minutes of the Board of Governors that Dr. Shore has been requested to prepare the Annual Report for the Board of Governors. As he has been and will be away until almost the middle of March, it will be some time before he will be able to do this, and as the pamphlet prepared by Dr. Hodgkin doubtless contains

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in part at least the matter which Dr. Shore would use, it would look as if this pamphlet might for a time at least, meet the need which the fuller report would be intended to meet.

We will be pleased to receive your recommendations regarding this and any other matter of which you wish to speak, and will forward the same to Dr. Hodgkin.

Yours sincerely,

Al. Farrelly

ACF/JM.

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March 11th, 1913.

Rev. T. S. Barbour, D.D.,
Wollaston, Mass.

Dear Dr. Barbour:-

I enclose herewith invoice for
printing of 500 copies of the Constitution
of the West China Union University,- \$60.00.
The copies have been received here, and
forwarded to the different Boards as per
the minutes of the Executive Committee.

Dr. Shore is still in the West,
but we are expecting his return about the
end of this week.

Yours very truly,

J. Milloy
Secretary to Dr. Shore.

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April 15, 1913.

Rev. T. S. Barbour, D.D.
Wollaston, Mass.

Dear Dr. Barbour:-

I enclose herewith a copy of the
Minutes of the Meeting of the Executive
Committee of the Board of Governors of
West China University, held in New York,
Friday, March 28th.

Yours sincerely,

J. E. Egerton Shore
Jm.

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May 14th, 1913.

Rev. T. S. Barbour, D.D.,
Wollaston, Mass.

Dear Dr. Barbour:-

I enclose herewith Express Order
 for \$50.00 (Fifty Dollars) being a contribution
 from Rev. John Morrison of Sarnia, Ontario,
 to the West China Union University. This
 subscription was secured through Rev. C. R.
 Carscallen.

With kind regards, I am,

Yours cordially,

J. E. Egerton Shore

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This letter was sent to the following:-
(COPY)

Dr. Barton
Dr. Speer
Mr. John W. Wood
Mr. W. Henry Grant

Toronto, May 22nd, 1913.

Rev. J. L. Barton, D. D.,
14 Beacon Street,
Boston, Mass.

Dear Dr. Barton:-

The Board of Governors of West China Union University have selected an architect to plan the necessary buildings for this proposed University in Chengtu, West China, and for the layout of the University grounds. We have not yet however agreed upon a basis of fees to be charged for the preparation of these plans.

I have been instructed by the Board of Governors to ascertain what has been the experience and custom of other governing bodies in connection with educational buildings which have been constructed in China. I shall be grateful if you can give me any information with regard to the experience of your Board in the matter of architect's fees for the planning of educational institutions in China.

One of the unsettled questions is whether the fees charged by the architect on the basis of a percentage of the cost should be reckoned from the standpoint of the actual cost of these buildings in China or what would be the cost of the same type of buildings if erected in America. What is your experience as to the relative cost of large buildings such as colleges in China as compared with the cost of the same type of buildings in America? Have you been accustomed to pay the architect a certain percentage on the basis of the cost in America or in China. What percentage has been paid to the architect in these cases?

I shall be very grateful if you can give me some information that will help us to arrive at a fair decision.

Yours cordially,

(Sgd.) T. E. Egerton Shore.

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THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS
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PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN THE U.S.A.

156 Fifth Avenue, New York.

May 26th, 1913.

The Rev. T. E. Egerton Shore, D.D.,
33 Richmond Street, West,
Toronto, Canada.

My dear Dr. Shore:-

Your note of May 22nd is just received. I am very glad to give you the results of such experience as we have had in the matter of employment of architects for work in China.

After the Boxer uprising we sent out an architect to do some work in Korea and to supervise the rebuilding of some points in North China. We paid him a salary of \$1800 per annum and traveling expenses to and from the field. The experiment was not altogether satisfactory. The architect did not know the language, so that the missionaries had to spend a great deal of time interpreting for him, he had rather fixed ideas, and many of our missionaries felt that the cost of buildings which he erected was excessive, and of course his own salary was much above that of a missionary salary.

Later we appointed a young architect as a regular missionary on the missionary basis as to salary and other arrangements. He was to go out to be under the direction of the special Executive Committee of our China Missions, which is called the China Council. His health broke down, however, before he was able to go, so that we could not carry out that plan, altho it is a plan that we should like to carry out.

In the case of our College buildings at Hangchow, where we recently erected an entirely new plant, we had the plans for one typical building prepared here by architects. There was some little difference of opinion as to the payment that should be made, the architect calculating their charge on the basis of what the building would have cost if erected here, the missionaries feeling that it should have been based on the actual cost on the field, which was only a half or a third or less of what it would have been at home.

Since then we have been rather careful to stipulate as to the cost of any preliminary drawings or plans we have had made in this country.

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Most of the work in connection with the Hangchow College buildings was done by architects in Shanghai, who revised the plans made here and whose charges, of course, were based upon actual field costs.

We are now engaged in two large building projects in union institutions, one in the Shantung University in Tzinaanfu, the other in the University of Nanking at Nanking. In the case of the former, we are employing an Englishman who has been in China who has architectural ability, and who is giving all his time as co-architect to the project, at a salary of \$300 per annum, with traveling expenses to and from the field. In the case of Nanking our plans are being prepared by Perkins, Fellows and Hamilton of Chicago. We are considering now the possibility of having Mr. Fellows go out for a short visit. The total cost for a five months' trip would probably be \$3500, including salary. Some of this, however, could be charged against the buildings, the plans for which they have already drawn. This firm is taking a great deal of interest in the matter and is doing its best to get the Chinese color and tone into the whole scheme.

I think the economical thing would probably be for a number of us who are engaged in these various schemes to combine. The expense could be reduced in this way, and plans for some buildings, at least, could be utilized in different places.

In the case of the Canton Christian College, Mr. Grant had the whole matter taken up by architects here, and I am asking him to report to you the results of his experience.

Please let me know if we can be of any further service.

You ask as to the relative cost of large buildings in China and America. Of course it is far less in China. What is put into a single building here in America would suffice to equip a whole building in China. If you base your payments to the architects on the cost of buildings in this country, you will find the charges far higher than if you had all the work done out in China. I should think you ought to have a clear understanding with your architect in advance, as to just what work he is to do and on what scale it is to be paid for.

Yours very cordially,

(Sgd) Robert E. Speer.

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AMERICAN BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS.
(Copy)

Boston, May 28th, 1913.

Rev. T. E. Egerton Shore, D.D.,
33 Richmond St. West,
Toronto, Canada.

My dear Dr. Shore:-

I have just received, owing to absence from the office, yours of May 22nd, with reference to the custom of the American Board in dealing with architects in mission fields. I am sorry not to be able to give you the information desired in detail since all such matters are left to the parties on the field. We make the appropriation for the building, and the station or mission constructs the building, making the best arrangements possible with any available architect.

I am quite clear, however, that it would not be fair to pay the architect's fees on the basis of the probable cost of the same building if erected in America. In the first place, the cost thus set down would be only a guess because the price would differ necessarily in different parts of our own country for the same building. In addition to that, the cost of the architect's living in China would be less than in America, and it seems to me that it would be no more than fair that the price should be on a China cost rather than on an American cost.

We are planning some new buildings in Pangchwang in the Province of Shantung, and others in Fenchowfu in the Province of Shansi. If there is a capable architect out there who could be used by our missionaries in the new construction at these two stations, I am sure that we would be glad to avail ourselves of his services. It might help you out also and give the architect some work. My impression would be that the best basis would be a cost on the building at the place of construction.

Very sincerely yours,

(Sgd) James L. Barton.

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THE DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY
OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH
IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

New York, May 26, 1913.

Rev. T. E. Egerton Shore, D.D.,
33 Richmond Street, West,
Toronto, Ont.

My dear Dr. Shore:-

Replying to your enquiry of the 22nd, we have never employed an American architect to erect educational or other buildings in the far East. All our work has been done by local men. We are now considering, however, the possibility of having plans for the new buildings of St. Paul's College, Tokyo, drawn in this country. We believe that it would be possible in this way to secure a more satisfactory architectural design to be executed under the direction of some local architect or builder.

As to the basis for reckoning the architect's fee, I should think there would be no doubt that it could be reckoned upon the actual expenditure, not upon the expenditure if the building was being erected in the United States. Our experience is that we can get for the same money in China about $2\frac{1}{2}$ times as much building as we could in the United States, that is to say, a building for St. John's University, Shanghai, which would cost \$20,000 gold in China, would in all probability cost \$50,000 here. I can see no justice in paying the architect a fee based on the \$50,000 expenditure in this country instead of the \$20,000 expenditure in China.

If we carry out our present plan of having the design prepared by an architect in this country, we shall probably pay 3 or $3\frac{1}{4}$ % upon the actual expenditure. To the man who supervises the erection of the building, we should probably pay $2\frac{1}{2}$ to 3%.

Sincerely yours,

(Sgd) John W. Wood.

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TRUSTEES OF THE CANTON CHRISTIAN COLLEGE

(CANTON, CHINA)

156 Fifth Avenue, New York.

May 26, 1913.

Rev. T. E. Egerton Shore, D.D.,
33 Richmond St. West,
Toronto, Canada.

My dear Dr. Shore:-

In reply to your favor of 22nd I am sending
(1) copy of the Statutes of the Canton Christian College
(See Article X, page 17, relating to Procedure in Regard
to Building and Landscape Work. (2) Copy of the Terms
of Compensation to the New York architect, as follows:-

"(a) Revision of the group plan may be made from
time to time as ordered by the Committee, for a definite
cash payment to be determined in each case in view of
the expense and labor involved in the restudy ordered.

(b) That the fee for preliminary studies when
ordered, shall be one-fifth of the total fee for any
building under schedule C. Such payment shall be a
payment on account if the work is carried further, or
shall constitute the total compensation for such
preliminary studies if the work is not carried further.
Preliminary studies shall also include small scale
rendered plans and an elevation for presentation and
reproduction.

(c) That the fee for the preparation of final drawings
and specifications to go to the field for execution shall
be:-

1st. Four percent for dormitories and shops in the
case of first design in each group and two percent in the
case of dormitories and shops built either as replicas or
as approximate replicas of such first designs.

2nd. Six percent for academic buildings, such as
recitation halls and administration buildings, library,
chapel, etc.

3rd. Eight percent for residences.

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(d) In all cases the percentage is to be based on the actual cost of the building as erected, exclusive of furniture and equipment, not involving any study on the part of the home architect.

(e) Payments of the total fee shall be due to the architects as follows:-

One-fifth when the Preliminary Drawings are accepted by the Committee on Buildings and Grounds.

Two-fifth when the Quarter Scale drawings are approved by the Committee.

One-tenth on the completion of the building.

(f) The architects shall furnish two prints of such of their drawings, and shall charge for additional prints required at cost."

As to experience up to the present, I may say that all the early working plans of the New York architect had to be worked over and almost remade on the grounds, yet we got much better results than we would have done if the original designs had been made in Canton. The New York architects are getting closer to the actual materials used, hence there is less to work over in respect to their drawings on the field. The cost of construction is going down as we gain experience, especially on the labor item. I think we shall begin to improve now in the control of the laying down of the building material on the place. We have hitherto been at the mercy of the contractors.

Our rates of payment to the architects are based on the actual cost and not on what it would cost in America. As we have had an architect on the field some of the buildings have been built without consulting the New York architect.

I shall be glad to reply to any further questions.

Sincerely,

(Sgd) W. Henry Grant.

Secretary.

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June 6th, 1913.

Rev. T. S. Barbour, D.D.,
Wollaston, Mass.

My dear Dr. Barbour:-

At the meeting of the Executive Committee of the Board of Governors of West China Union University, January 14th, 1913, I was instructed to correspond with various Mission Boards that have had experience in building of educational institutions in China to get their views as to the basis on which architects fees should be charged for such work. I enclose herewith copy of my letter of enquiry and of the replies which I have received from Mr. John W. Wood of the Protestant Episcopal Board, Dr. Robert E. Speer of the Presbyterian Board, Dr. James L. Barton of the American Board and Mr. W. Henry Grant for the Canton Christian College. In order that you may have the whole matter before you, I enclose copy of the letter from Dr. Hodgkin, dated December 13th, 1912, which brought up for discussion this matter at the Executive Committee.

I have received word from Mr. Fred Rowntree, the University architect, who is on his way home from a recent visit to West China, that he expects to be in New York on July 21st and 22nd, sailing on the 23rd for England. I have written to Mr. Mornay Williams, Chairman of the Executive, suggesting that a meeting should be held on one of those days. Notification will be sent to you as soon as I have received a reply from Mr. Williams.

Yours sincerely,

J. E. Egerton Shore

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June 7th, 1913.

Rev. T. S. Barbour, D.D.,
Wollaston, Mass.

My dear Dr. Barbour:-

You will remember at the meeting of the Executive Committee of the Board of Governors of West China University, held in New York on March 28th, 1913, the following resolution was passed:-

"RESOLVED to postpone any action in the appointment of a Building Superintendent until after a meeting of the Executive Committee in July with Mr. Fred Rowntree.

"RESOLVED further that in view of the appeal from the Canadian Mission to their own Board to send out at once a number of missionary builders for their own work, and in harmony with the suggestion of Dr. Shore that the Canadian Mission Board might consider the appointment of Mr. Ricker as Missionary Builder of the Canadian Methodist Mission, with the understanding that as soon as he is required by the University, he should be transferred from the Canadian Mission to the University on the condition that the Board of Governors of the University assume all responsibility for his outgoing expenses and maintenance except for the period of time in which he may have served the Canadian Mission on the field.

"RESOLVED further that in view of this fact, this Executive Committee approves of this suggestion being carried out if the Canadian Methodist Board see fit to appoint Mr. Ricker."

The Executive Committee of our Canadian Methodist Mission Board has since appointed Mr. Ricker as a Missionary Builder of the Canadian Methodist

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Rev. T. S. Barbour, D.D.- #2

Mission in West China in the following terms,
namely,-

"In the case of Raymond C. Ricker, we recommend that the Foreign Department be authorized to secure his services as a Missionary Builder, on the understanding that if and when his services may be required by the Board of Governors of the West China University we will agree to his transfer to the University, on the condition that this Mission is recouped for his outgoing expenses."

Mr. Ricker has accepted the appointment and is preparing to leave for China this Fall, some time in October. The regulations of our Canadian Mission Board provide for the dating of salary to all our lay missionaries from two months prior to the time of sailing from Canada or America. Mr. Ricker is anxious, however, to avail himself of the opportunity of some special study, which will be of value to his future work for the University, which it appears he cannot prosecute without some financial assistance. You will see by the enclosed letter which I have received from Mr. Mornay Williams that he has discussed this matter with Mr. Ricker and suggests the propriety of the Board of Governors advancing twomonths salary with possibly a little more for traveling expenses to cover the period of special study.

I shall be glad to have your opinion with reference to Mr. Williams' suggestion. As soon as I receive your reply, I shall communicate it to Mr. Williams and presume that the Chairman and Secretary of the Executive Committee might take action in harmony with the concensus of opinion given by members of the Executive Committee, which may be ratified at a regular meeting of the Executive Committee in July.

Yours sincerely,

J. E. Egerton Shore

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June 16th, 1913.

Rev. T. S. Barbour, D. D.,
Wollaston, Mass.

Dear Dr. Barbour:-

I have your two letters of June 12th.

I note that you have forwarded cheque for One Hundred Dollars to Mr. Ricker at the request of Mr. Williams, Chairman of the Executive Committee.

I may say that all of the replies from members of the Executive Committee approve of Mr. William's suggestion that two months' salary and something toward expenses be advanced to Mr. Ricker by the Board of Governors to enable him to pursue the special preparation in which he is now engaged.

Two months' salary would amount to \$166.66. If we add \$33.34 for other expenses it would make a total of \$200.00. I have no doubt that Mr. Ricker will require payment of this before the meeting of the Executive Committee in New York on July 21st and 22nd and I think, therefore, in view of the replies which I have received, you will be justified in forwarding to Mr. Ricker another One Hundred Dollars. This would make a total of Two Hundred Dollars.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

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J. E. Egerton Shore.

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June 25th, 1913.

Rev. T. S. Barbour, D.D.,
Wollaston, Mass.

Dear Dr. Barbour:-

I am instructed by Mr. Mornay Williams, Chairman, to call a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Board of Governors of West China Union University, to be held at Mr. Williams' office, 27 Cedar Street, New York, on Monday, July 21st at 10 a.m. The meeting will probably last for all day Monday and Tuesday, as a number of very important matters have to be considered, including Presidency of the University, incorporation, etc. and an extended conference with Mr. Fred Rowntree, the University architect, who will be in New York that day on his way back to England from his recent visit to Chengtu, West China.

I shall be obliged if you will send word to Mr. Williams as to whether you can be present at this meeting.

Yours faithfully,

T. E. Egerton Shore
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June 27th, 1913.

Rev. T. S. Barbour, D.D.,
Wollaston, Mass.

Dear Dr. Barbour:-

I enclose draft for \$1,000 (One Thousand Dollars), being the share of the Canadian Methodist Mission Board in the Budget of the Board of Governors for the West China Union University for the current year.

With kind regards, I am,

Yours sincerely,

*J. E. Egerton Shore
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June 28, 1913.

Rev. T. S. Barbour, D.D.,
 Wollaston, Mass.

Dear Sir:-

I enclose herewith Minutes of the meetings of the Senate of the West China Union University, December 5th to May 1st inclusive. These are all the Minutes received by Dr. Shore to date. There are a number of important items contained in these Minutes, which should be before the members of the Executive Committee before their meeting in July.

As the Minutes of Senate meetings come to this office during the next few months, I shall have copies made and forwarded to each member of the Executive Committee and to the Board of Governors.

Yours very truly.

J. Milloy.
 Secretary to Dr. Shore.

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15 Devonshire Street,
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30th June, 1913.

Rev. T. E. E. Shore, M. A., D. D.,
Canadian Methodist Mission,
33 Richmond Street West,
Toronto, Canada.

Dear Dr. Shore:-

I write at the request of Dr. Hodgkin who left for Madagascar on the 25th inst.

Just before going he handed me your letter of the 6th inst. in reference to architects' fees in connection with the West China Union University and the copies of letters which accompanied yours.

On the 24th inst. I wrote a letter on similar lines to your letter of May 22nd to Dr. Barton and others. My letter was addressed to the following Missionary Societies here:-

The Church Missionary Society; The China Inland Mission;
The Baptist Missionary Society; The London Missionary
Society; and the Wesleyan Missionary Society.

Dr. Hodgkin had previously mentioned the subject to some of the representatives of these Societies at the Annual Conference of British Missionary Societies, which was held at Swanwick on the 18th and 20th inst.

In the case of the Church Missionary Society, I was recommended by the Secretary to communicate with Bishop Cassels, who is now in England and the following is an extract from his reply dated 27th inst.

"In reply to yours of June 25th, I write to say that I know nothing at all about the matter of architectural fees in China. We employed a man for a time in building our Hostel in Chentu but there was a regular arrangement with him, as clerk of the works, etc. so I am sorry to be unable to give you any information."

In the case of the China Inland Mission, the following is an extract from a letter dated the 25th inst. written by the Secretary, Mr. F. Marcus Wood.

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"We have no experience in our Mission of architects in this country for our buildings in China as in our case we have always been fortunate enough to have an architect on our own staff of missionaries who has done all the work in drawing up the plans so that we are not able to help you in that way. I am therefore inclined to the opinion that in all probability an architect in this country would expect that his fees for drawing up the plan etc, of a building to be erected in China, would be on the basis of a percentage of the cost to be reckoned from the standpoint of the same type of building being erected in this country or in America."

In the case of the Baptist Missionary Society the following is an extract from a letter dated the 25th inst., from Rev. C. E. Wilson, B. A., Secretary of the Foreign Department.

"Our China Missionary Architect, Mr. Perriam, tells me that the fee charged by a German architect at Tsingtau for the plans of a £1200 building at Tsing Chow Fu was £40. In this country the rate would be only, I think, 2% or £30. As to comparative cost of building in China, Mr. Perriam says a two-storeyed brick built residence recently erected worked out at only twopence per foot cube. In England the same house would have cost about 6d. per foot cube. A church building worked out at about 1½d. per foot cube."

In the case of the London Missionary Society the following is an extract from a letter dated the 27th inst., written by the Rev. Dr. R. Wardlaw Thompson, the Senior Foreign Secretary.

"We have not much experience in this House of arrangement with architects in China, as we have left the details very much to the friends there. I have seen Dr. Cochrane who has had a good deal of personal practical experience in the matter. He tells me that architects vary; that some of them will prepare a plan in detail and a specification and will make a fixed charge for that, taking no further responsibility. The charge varies with the size of the building. For an ordinary Mission House Tls. 50 to Tls. 60; and larger buildings still more. Others prefer to undertake not only to provide the plans but to supervise the work throughout the erection of the building, and they then charge a percentage on the whole cost of building. Dr. Cochrane thinks that the cost of building in Peking is not very different from what buildings of similar size would cost in this country. Some things are cheaper; but others are more expensive - heating apparatus, good iron work, and such like things - coming under the category of extra expense."

I have not yet heard from the Wesleyan Missionary Society but as I note that you want to have the information if possible not later than July 12th, it seems better not to delay writing until I have heard from them.

In reference to the replies which you have received from the Mission Boards with whom you communicated Dr. Hodgkin noted with

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*As a fact the Board did not wish to. The distance involved is for question
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interest the statement in the letter of Dr. Speer dated May 26th to the effect that the total cost for a five months' trip would probably be \$3500, including salary, as this corresponds almost exactly with the figure of £700 mentioned by Mr. Fred Rowntree. Dr. Hodgkin also thought it quite possible that the suggestions made by Mr. W. Henry Grant in his letter of May 26th might be acceptable to Mr. Rowntree. The cost of building in West China may be rather less than the cost in Canton but prices are now rapidly rising in Szechwan.

With a message of warm regard on behalf of Dr. Hodgkin and with all good wishes,

Believe me,

Yours sincerely,

(Sgd.) Hy. Harris,

Home Secretary.

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July 12, 1913.

Rev. T. S. Barbour, D.D.,
 Wollaston, Mass.

Dear Dr. Barbour:-

I enclose herewith copy of a letter which has just been received at this office from Mr. Henry Harris, Home Secretary of the Friends' Foreign Mission Association, giving the views of different English Secretaries on the question of architect's fees for buildings in West China. I thought it best to forward this letter to you now, so that you would have the whole matter before you previous to the meeting of the Executive of the Board of Governors, which will meet on July 21-22nd.

Yours very truly,

J. Milloy
 Office Secretary.

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8th August, 1913.

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Rev. T. S. Barbour, D.D.,
Wollaston,
Mass., U.S.A.

Dear Dr. Barbour,

Your letter of the 26th of July to hand. The
Statement of Contributions mentioned therein was not
enclosed with the letter. Possibly it may be coming
later.

We have sent a copy of the latter part of your
letter to Dr. Hodgkin in Madagascar. He will doubtless
deal with the whole matter on his return.

Yours sincerely,

Richard Heine

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August 14, 1913.

Rev. T. S. Barbour, D.D.
Wollaston, Mass.

Dear Dr. Barbour:-

I enclose a bill for a cablegram sent to Chengtu from Toronto under instructions of the Executive Committee, respecting the purchase of 50 acres additional land. I shall be obliged if you will send me a cheque for this amount.

In addition there is the item of my travelling expenses to New York for the meeting of the Executive Committee, amounting to \$31.50. I shall be glad to receive a cheque for this amount as well.

Yours sincerely,

TEES/WM.

J. E. Egerton Shore
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August 23, 1913.

Rev. T. S. Barbour, D.D.
P.O. Box 10,
Wollaston, Mass.

Dear Dr. Barbour:-

I enclose copy of a letter from Mr. Fred Rowntree. I have sent to Mr. Rowntree such items in the Minutes of our Executive Committee meeting in New York as referred to his appointment and work.

You will remember that the Executive Committee appointed Mr. Williams, yourself and myself a Committee to instruct the architect in the matter of preparation of plans. I shall be glad if you will give me your view as to the instructions we should give to Mr. Rowntree with regard to the preparation of sketch plans to be sent here for consideration by this special Committee prior to the preparation of the working plans. You will see that he asks me to send him a cablegram of instructions on this point, so I shall be glad to have your reply at your earliest convenience.

Yours sincerely,

T. E. Egerton Shore

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August 25, 1913.

Rev. T. S. Barbour, D.D.
P. O. Box 10,
Wollaston, Mass.

My dear Dr. Barbour:-

I have to acknowledge receipt of your letters dated August 12th, 18th and 19th. I enclose receipts for \$31.50 and \$20.16 forwarded by you.

I note that you sent Mr. Ricker a copy of the letter of Dr. Franklin to you referring to the Siberian Route. This will no doubt be of considerable value to Mr. Ricker in making his arrangements.

I trust that you have received a copy of the Minutes of the Executive Committee meeting in New York. It was sent to you a week ago.

I have glanced over the statement from Mr. Newman of receipts from the Canadian Mission. I shall go over this statement with our Accountant and report to you later as to how it stands with our own account.

I have now returned for the season from my summer home at Honey Harbor and I shall be glad if you will forward any correspondence for me direct to this office in Toronto.

With kindest regards,

Yours sincerely,

TEES/WM.

J. E. Egerton Shore

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September 24th, 1913.

Rev. T. S. Barbour, D.D.,
Wollaston, Mass.

My dear Dr. Barbour:-

I am leaving with my family to-day for
Portland, Oregon, where we will probably reside
for some time.

You and Mr. Williams and myself were
appointed by the Executive Committee of the Board
of Governors at its last meeting, on two committees
which have important work before them, namely,-
Committee on University Plans to consider the plans
submitted by the University architect; and a
Committee on the Budget, to prepare a budget for
the coming year and request each of the co-operating
Mission Boards to appropriate their share of this
amount at their next meeting. The M. E. Missionary
Committee has its annual meeting early in November.
It will be necessary for them to have this infor-
mation before that time. Our own Canadian Mission
Board meets on October 7th, and I am venturing to
ask our office here to include the amount of \$2,030
for West China University in the Estimates to be
passed by our Board.

Taking the Budget of last Board Meeting,
(Minute #85) as my guide, and adding to it such items
as have grown out of actions taken by the Executive
Committee this year, I would suggest the following
as a tentative estimate of the Budget for the coming
year.

It should be noted that I am not aware of
any estimate having been received from the University
Senate with regard to their giving an estimate of
what will be required for their current expenses on
the field. Last year, the Board of Governors made an
appropriation under "General Expenses" of \$2,200. I

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Rev. T. S. Barbour, D.D.- #2

do know, however, that in the Estimates received from our Canadian Methodist Mission Council, there are two items as follows:-

Union University-

Current Expenses,- our share,	\$100.
Capital Expenses (improvements), our share,	<u>100.</u>
	\$200.

I am assuming from this item that the University Senate has considered the matter and has estimated that a total of \$800 would be required, of which the Canadian share would be \$200. I am therefore putting under the head of University Expenses:- Current,- \$400; Capital (for improvements) \$400. I would suggest the following approximate estimate for the Budget of the coming year:-

University Expenses on the Field.-

Current Expenses,	\$400
Capital (Improvements)	<u>400</u>
	\$800.

Educational Secretary.

E. W. Wallace, salary,	\$1,000
House rent and gateman,	275
Personal Chinese teacher,	60
Travel,	100
Assistant,	<u>990</u>
	\$1,525.

Architect's Visit to Chengtu.

(See Executive Committee Minute #105). \$2,500

Building Superintendent.

R. C. Ricker, salary,	\$1,000
Special allowance for study, ..	200
Outgoing traveling expenses, ...	800
Furniture allowance,	300
Freight allowance,	150
Supplies,	<u>650</u>
	\$3,100

Expenses of Board of Governors and Executive Committee, (estimate)

200

total \$8,125

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Rev. T. S. Barbour, D.D.- #3

or the sum of \$2,030 required from each of the four participating Mission Boards. I am asking our office here to include the amount of \$2,030 among the estimates to be passed by our Canadian Board early in October.

I am writing to-day to Mr. Rowntree, asking him to send the sketch plans which he is preparing direct to Mr. Mornay Williams rather than to my office here, as it will obviate embarrassment in connection with the Customs from Canada to the United States, and will put him in direct communication with Mr. Williams, as Chairman of the Executive in my absence on the Pacific Coast.

My new address is,- Lewis Building, Fourth and Oak Sts. Portland, Oregon.

With kindest regards,

Yours sincerely,

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J. C. Egerton Shore
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September 26th, 1913.

Rev. T. S. Barbour, D.D.
Wollaston, Mass.

Dear Dr. Barbour:-

I enclose herewith copy of the
Report of the Senate to the Board of Governors
of West China Union University. This report
will be presented at the next meeting of the
Board of Governors.

Yours very truly,

J. Milloy.

Secretary to Dr. Shore.

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October 2nd, 1913.

Rev. T. S. Barbour, D.D.,
Wollaston, Mass.

Dear Dr. Barbour:-

Before leaving the office here for Portland, I reminded Dr. Shore that he had not yet made any arrangement regarding the payment of Mr. Ricker's salary by our Board. He has accordingly made the arrangement you suggested with our Accountant,- namely, that Mr. Ricker should receive his salary from our Treasurer on the field, and that we would furnish you with a statement from time to time of the amounts paid, for which you would reimburse us.

I am writing Mr. Ricker that such an arrangement has been made.

On June 7th last, we forwarded cheque for \$466.66 to Mr. Ricker, made up as follows:- \$300 for furniture allowance, and \$166.66, being salary for July and August, on the basis of \$1,000 a year. We shall no doubt be forwarding salary cheque for September, October and November to Mr. Ricker before he sails, together with cheque for incidentals, \$50., but when this has been sent I will advise you.

I trust you are willing to take this statement from me, in the absence of Dr. Shore.

Enclosed herewith is the wrong blank which you forwarded to Dr. Shore. The proper form was duly received, and is on our files here.

Yours very truly,

J. Milloy.
Office Secretary.

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October 2nd, 1913.

Rev. T. S. Barbour, D.D.
Wollaston, Mass.

Dear Dr. Barbour:-

I enclose herewith Minutes of the meetings of the Senate of the West China Union University, which have been forwarded to Dr. Shore as Secretary of the Board of Governors. These follow immediately after the Minutes of the Senate sent to you in June last. I shall forward minutes of subsequent meetings from time to time as they are received.

Yours very truly,

J. Milloy
Office Secretary.

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Extracts from letters received from Dr. Sadler and Mr Clark.

Dr. Sadler writes:

"I have read your letter and enclosures and am strongly of opinion that it would be a misfortune if Rowntree did not go at once to West China. The arrangements which he and you propose are generous, and will enable the Governing Body of the University to have a good architect's opinion and help at an extremely moderate rate."

Mr Clark writes:

"Thanks for the documents received with regard to Frederic Rowntree's journey to Chengtu. These certainly raise a serious problem. While, possibly, plans on this side have been pushed on a bit too rapidly, any delay must be seriously deprecated in view of the unavoidable complications in turning councils to deeds."

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TWP Shore
33 Richmond Street West
Toronto

YOUR CABLE MOST PERPLEXING ROWNTREE'S ARRANGEMENTS COMPLETED
AS NO REPLY HAD BEEN RECEIVED TO MY LETTER DECEMBER 13.
FINANCIAL DIFFICULTY MET BY GUARANTEE SPECIAL GIFT EXPENSES
AND FEE HELD OVER FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION. ROWNTREE THINKS
ALL NEEDFUL INFORMATION LAYOUT OBTAINABLE BEFORE PURCHASE
COMPLETED. BRITISH MEMBERS BOARD UNANIMOUS DESIRABILITY
ROWNTREE GOING NOW. ESSENTIAL FOR PROCEEDING WORK.

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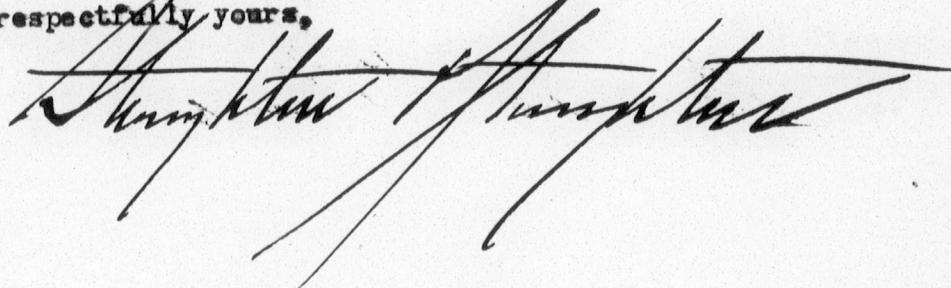
Dear Sir;-

In a letter of the 18th. Nov. Rev. Mr. Shore, of Toronto informs us that, as Treasurer of the Trustees of the West China University you will pay to us the honorarium stipulated in the recent competition.

If the fund from which this payment is to be made is available we should be pleased to receive our part of it.

Very respectfully yours,

WEST CHINA UNIVERSITY
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