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34th March, 1921.

RECD. SCOTT

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Rev: G.T. Scott, American Joint Board, 156, Fifth Avenue, NEW YORK, U.S.A.

Dear Mr. Scott,

Illness of D' Neal

Before I commence to acknowledge your recent letters that have reached me from you, please wllow me to assure both you and your colleagues on the Northern Presbyterian and North American Joint Boards, of our keenest sympathy in the matter of Dr. Neal's serious illness. We were shocked and surprised beyond measure when the painful news reached us in a letter from Dr. Wheeler to Dr. Balme, and we felt how heavy had been the blow thus sustained by Dr. Neal and by the University. We had learned not only to admire the President for those great qualities of mind and heart which were so conspicuously revealed in him, but to love him as a dear personal friend. To think of such a noble Christian leader laid aside in this way, stricken down at a moment when we were all feeling he was indispensable to the great cause for which he had dedicated his life in so rich a measure - was to feel a chill at our heart, and to marvel at the mystery of God's Providence. Especially did we feel for his dear wife - so brave and strong, and for you of the A.P.M. who have had so many other heavy medical losses of late.

We bowed in prayer for each and all, and I wished one could have stepped across and assured you face to face of our sympathy with you.

At the meeting of the British Joint Board held last Friday, I intimated the sorrowful news, and from the enclosed Minutes you will see the action that was taken. We all hope with you that Dr. Neal may recover to resume his work again, but from all that I can hear of the medical opinion there seems hardly a ray of hope that he will recover sufficiently to permit of this happy issue. We shall pray however to that end.

And now I have first to acknowledge your most kind letter of Jan.4. I should have done this much sooner, but for the fact that I myself have been unwell, and was obliged to be away for a while. On account of this my work has become congested and delayed, which I am sure you will kindly excuse.

I read your letter with very keen interest, and thank you cordially for all the kind expressions therein contained, which I would most heartily reciprocate. Several of the points you reffer to are touched on in the accompanying Minutes, and so I need not weary you by further elaboration.

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Then came the Minutes of the Meeting of your Joint Board, held on Jan. 19., at which Mr. Wilson was present. He told me since what an interesting time that was, and is most grateful for all your kindness to him when he was in New York.

Joint Cromotional Office

I was especially interested in the Minute of that meeting, dealing with a Joint Promotional Office for the five Union Christian Universities of China. The British Joint Board cordially concurs in Section (b) of the Minute (No:3) dealing with the matter, and will await with much interest to hear the reply from the Field Board of Managers. Of course we have not the same problem over here that you have in North America because the British interest in the China Universities is not so widespread. For the moment at any rate the main concern on our side lies in the S.C.U. But there are possibilities in this joint promotional work which deserve close study, and it may well be that some application of it will become advisable here later on. We shall be eager to learn how the matter prodeeds with you.

The British Joint Board noted with thankfulness at their meeting recently that you hope to find as I Huyes - Im Davies soon as possible successors to Dr. Hayes and Mr. Davies. We cherish the continued fellowship of the A.P.M. in the Theological School. In this connection we were very interested in Minute 233 of the Administrative Council, and earnestly hope that the appointment of Rev: Ting Li Mei may be realized.

Rev Jung Le Mei

The progress of your Promotional Campaign, noted in Minute 8 of this meeting of the North American Joint Board, occasioned much sympathetic interest, Constant Campaign Mr. Bassat has had to encounter are similar to those facing Dr. Balme here. If Mr. Cassat has not left when this gets to you, please convey to him our congratulations on what he has been able to accomplish.

> We were so glad over the gift for the Chapel, making that building possible. As far as this end is concerned, I am afraid that we cannot report even as much as that, at present, though I rejoice to feel that the magnificent efforts of Dr. Balme are beginning to take effect. Opportunities are opening up for him, and if this terrible cloud of trade depression lifts soon, I believe that a fruitful interest in Shantung will be manifested in many of our main centres. Dr. Balme is staying until November, and we are doing all we can to strengthen his hands and open up his way.

De Saulers visit

The news referring to Dr. Sailer's visit to China was received with the warmest interest as was also the later intimation re Dr. Paul Monroe. Nothing could be better, and the possibility of these gentlemen enquiring into the matter of a Chin Charter for the University seems most timely. gentlemen enquiring into the matter of a Chinese Minute 93 of our Board will be read with interest in this connection.

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If your and our representatives can combine together in an approach to the Chinese Government Authorities, we would venture to hope that a satisfactory Charter might be obtained. British Joint Board strongly supports a Chinese Charter in preference to a Foreign one which confers power upon the University to grant degrees. If that is secured, then, in the light of the high grade of education which the S.C. D. is increasingly realising, our hope is that it may be possible for the graduates of the University, who may come to America, or Britain for post-graduate work to have

their degrees "recognized" for that purpose. Dr. Balme and I are exploring the situation at this end, bearing on that point.

Thank you for sending a copy of your fine letter to Dr. Neal of February 8. Every part of it was full of interest, and if only time allowed one would like to touch on several points. I briefly note the following.

Page 6. Memorial to Dr. Roys at the Medical School.

That would indeed be appropriate. Was there not said something respecting the Nurses' Home being such a Memorial? We shall be glad of any more tidings under this heading.

Page 6. Agreement regarding the use of Land.

I see what has been done indrawing up a draft by the Council of the Northern Presbyterian Board. So far our B.M.S. has not taken any similar action, the reason being that we have been waiting to see what was going to be done re the "Charter" question. If a Foreign Charter were to be the solution of that matter, then we gathered that this would carry incorporation with it, and the appointment of a Board of Trustees, which would hold the University. If however the issue is to be a Chinese Charter, then you will see from Minute 94 of the British Joint Board, the suggestion that has been broached. Over here our unanimous feeling is in favour of the incorporation of the whole University, and one Body holding all the property. The circumstances of the University, and the present position re its buildings seem to point to such a solution as the one satisfactory mode of settling the matter.

Now may I enquire how far your Presbyterian Board would feel the same way? We would be so glad to learn their views on the matter, and especially as to the suggestion of the British Joint Board in Minute 94.

Our Chairman, and Treasurer, Mr. F.H. Hawkins and Dr. J. Auriol Armitage, as you will see, are going to China at the end of the summer, and will hope to attend a meeting of the Field Board of Managers. Might this not prove

Charter



a useful moment, when representatives of both Boards are to be in China, to arrive at some clear finding on this most important matter? Pending such we on this side will not take any definite action.

the Field Board - Rev: C.G. Sparham - who met with the British Joint Board recently, has entered into this subject, as also with that of the Charter, most fully and helpfully, and is going to set forward enquiries when he reaches China. This being so, I am very glad that on his way Mr. Sparham is to have an opportunity of conferring with you. His visit is really most timely, is it not?

Page 7. Funds for the Administration Building.

Funds administration Bldy

I noted your questions, and perceived its relevance, but Dr.Balme whom I consulted on the matter, favours holding to the Administrative Building. But there is considerable point in your query.

I think that your letter to the Presidents of Higher Educational Institutions relating to the Presbyterian Board, comes next in order, under date, Feb.10. Let me thank you for it most heartily. It contains some excellent germinal thoughts and should prove most helpful in result.

Following this came your letter to me of Feb.17 for which equal thanks. I have already dealt with the point it raised.

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Finally I have to acknowledge the Minutes of the Executive Committee of the Joint Board which met on February 25 in New York City. Both these Minutes and the copy of your covering letter to Dr. Neal under date March 7, arrived unfortunately just too late for our recent British Joint Board Meeting. I cannot therefore lay them before the Board until their next meeting.

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A few points in the Minutes call, however, for a word or two in this letter.

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our British Joint Board agrees, I know, with the Division of the Offices of Treasurer and Registrar, as reported in Minute 228 of the Field Board, though they did not actually record a vote on the matter.

Je L. F. Heninger

The appointment of Dr. L.F. Heimburger to a post on the Medical Faculty was equally not taken up, and I regret now that it was not mentioned, because of the proposal that he should be specially appointed for Genito-Uriniary Surgery. As it happens a candidate, of the S.P.G. - as you will see from the British Joint Board Minutes - has just been recommended for similar work. I have been speaking to Dr. Balme about this, and am asking him to write to you what he feels, and also to write to the Field Board.

The British Joint Board had previously supported the Senior College, and so is in complete accord with Minute 239 of the Field Board.

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The question of Dr. Adolph was felt to be one which peculiarly affected you in North America, and as no final reply had come from Dr. Adolph the British Joint Board took no action. I may be allowed to add, however, that what you have said in your letter to him and to Dr. Neal finds a strong echo in my own heart. I can but feel that Dr. Adolph is especially fitted for the leadership of the Department of Chemistry in which he has already done such good work, and I hope that he may remain in charge there. Can anything be done whilst he is on furlough to enthuse him afresh with the missionary purpose?

The attitude of the Joint Board to the University
Budget is recorded in Minute 98, and will not, I hope
be read as unsympathetic. Personally I wish more could
have been promised, but conditions here are such to-day
that everybody is very fearful of any fresh commitment.
Still while the co-operating Societies cannot do more,
I have a firm belief that by the time Dr. Balme's
campaign is at an end in the autumn, funds will have
been subscribed for both capital and current expenditure.

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In the matter of the Residences of the Medical School, built with C.M.B. funds which must be re-imbursed, I am glad to say that the Medical Auxiliary of the B.M.S. has agreed to purchase one, in response to an appeal from Dr. Neal. If therefore the Southern Presbyterian Board is hoping to purchase another, then only two are left. Dr. Balme is in touch with the Wesleyan Mission to see if they would not buy one of thisse for their medical representative. I will let you know later what comes of this idea.

Rev Tuy Le Mei

I note from your letter of March 7 to Dr. Neal that your Presbyterian Board have voted their approval of the proposal re Rev: Ting Li Mei. How very nice! It only now remains to hear of his acceptance of the invitation. May he be led of God in this important matter.

The Wesleyan Mission will, I hope, view favourably coming into the Theological School, if a strong recommendation to that end comes home from their Field Body.

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Just as I close comes the Minutes of the Emergency Meeting of the Administrative Council, held on February 4 at Tsinan. I note what they have done to carry on for the time being, and only too sorrowfully read the medical opinion re Dr. Neal. God spare him to us for many days! We are sure Mr. Burt will do his utmost for the University at this critical moment, and knowing him as we do, we are thankful that he was available at the time. The big questions of permanent appointments in the Presidency and Deanship of the School of Arts looms up in a most serious way. Let us pray that much Divine Guidance may be given and a wonderful unity of mind to all who have to consider it.

And now with my very kind regards to you and your colleagues, and hoping you are keeping well,

Believe me, my dear Mr. Scott,

Yours cordially,

R. Debolus Moorshead

Secretary British Joint Board.

P.S. Mrs Moorshead would wish to join with me in sending kind regards to Mrs Scott. I hope that both she and your children are well.

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April 1st, 1921.

Rev. C. G. Sparham. o/o Dr. David John, 182 Mepperhun Ave., Yonkers, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Sparham: -

Welcome to America!

By this time you doubtless know that a New Yorker welcomes a stranger to the City by asking the stranger to call at the New Yorker's office! This reminds me of Oriental hospitality because it is so different!

We shall be very happy to see you any time at your convenience. If you could be present at the meeting of our Presbyterian Board Monday afternoon, April 4th, we should be everjoyed to have you address the Board at that time. It would be well for you to come to my office at about 4 oclock that afternoon, if you can arrange to do so. I realize that you probably will not arrive that early, but I venture to suggest this matter as it may be the only meeting of our Board before you have to leave. However, the invitation will also be good for Monday, April 18th, if you are still in the City at that date.

The enclosed copy of a letter which I am writing to Mr. Hawkins explains the situation as far as the North American Joint Board of Shantung University is concerned.

Looking forward with great pleasure to seeing you,

Very sincerely yours.

G.T. Scott

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FILING DEPT. AN INTERDENOMINATIONAL INSTITUTION UNITING TEN MISSIONARY ORGANIZATIONS OF THE UNITED STATES, CANADA AND ENGLAND SHANTUNG CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY North American Joint Board Officers of the Unive TSINAN, CHINA Executive Committe JAMES BOYD NEAL, President DAVID BOVAIRD Acting Dean School of Arts and Science ARTHUR J. BROWN S. H. CHESTER North American Office JOHN D. MacRAE, R. P. MACKAY Dean School of Theology 156 FIFTH AVENUE PAUL MONROE HAROLD BALME, GEORGE T. SCOTT, Secretary Dean School of Medicine NEW YORK CITY DWIGHT H. DAY, Acting Treasurer of Board PAUL C. CASSAT, Treasurer in China April 1st, 1921. Rev. F. H. Hawkins, L.L.B., London Missionary Society, King's Court, 48, Broadway, Westminster, London, S.W.1, England. My dear Mr. Hawkins:-Thank you for your letter of March 7th, advising us of the proposed visit to New York of Rev. C. G. Sparham. We shall be very happy indeed to see Mr. Sparham, and to confer with him while he is here. Upon learning that none of the British members of the Peking Medical Board were coming to New York in April, we voted by letter to postpone the annual meeting of the Shantung Board and of the Chosen Board from the second week in April until the second week in May, at which later date representatives from the Toronto and Washville Boards are to be in New York City. I am sorry, therefore, that there will not be a meeting of our Shantung Board while Mr. Sparham is here. I even fear that the Chairman, Dr. Paul Monroe, may have left for China before Mr. Sparham arrives. However, I trust that we will be able to call at least some members of the Executive Committee of the Shantung Board to meet with Mr. Sparham. With kindest regards, I am Very sincerely yours, GT Scott GTS/J

April 21st, 1921.

Dr. R. Fletcher Morshead, 19, Furnival St., Holborn, London, E. C. 4, England.

My dear Dr. Moorshead:-

Thank you for your fine letter of March 24th with its enclosures of the minutes of the British Joint Board. The minutes and your letter contain a number of items which I will present at the postponed meeting of the North American Joint Board on May 11th.

Enclosed please find copy of my letter of today to the Field Board of Managers through Mr. Burt, which letter covers most of the items that I have in mind to say to you. I am mentioning in my letter to Dr. Balme that a copy of my letter to Mr. Burt is being sent to you as Dr. Balme may wish to see it.

I conveyed both by word and by letter to Dr. Monroe and to Dr. Sailer the appreciative words of the British Joint Board regarding their visits to China, with the hope that they would inquire into the question of a Chinese charter incorporating the granting of degrees by the University while they are on the Field.

A copy of the proposed agreement regarding the use of Land will be going to you shortly. I am sending it to the leading Mission Boards both in America and Britain, thinking that some of them may wish to know of such a tentative draft, irrespective of whether or not they have immediate occasion for its use or are interested in any Institution where our Presbyterian Board happens to hold title to the land.

You speak of the favorable opinion in Britain of one incorporation for the whole University with one holding body for all the property, and inquire how far our Presbyterian Board might feel the same way. I believe the Presbyterian Board would favor a single incorporation, provided such incorporation assures a fully responsible representative and dependable trusteeship. The large sums of money for the Arts College property was solicited by the Fresbyterian Board with the express statement that the Presbyterian Board would act as Trustee of the property, so the Board would wish to be certain that the body to which it passed on this trusteeship is permanent and thoroughly reliable from every point of view and would represent the general purposes of the donors. The Hong-Kong ordinances I understand call for a majority of the trustees to be British citizens. Just what Shanghai incorporation details Wuchang Union Mormal School, which is both British and American, is incorporated under the laws of the District of Columbia, which permits trustees to reside in China. The property, however, stands in the name of the incorporators, a majority of whom I believe would be expected to be American citizens and reside in America. This, however, is the only form of incorporation in Britain or America which Dr. R. Fletcher Moorshead April 21st, 1921 permits of the real managerial body: namely, the Trustees, to reside out of the country. Upon reading the "Laws Relating to Corporations in the District of Columbia," I do not find any section barring aliens as incorporators and if you wish I will inquire further into this particular question. Your minute No. 98 on the University Budget for 1921-22 is admirably drafted and summarizes the situation in a very clear and comprehensive way. Thank you for the \$157.50 remitted by the Baptist Medical Board to the Promotion account of Shantung Christian University. This reached us on March 31st and I understand is in payment of printing of literature which was sent to you. please find my receipt as for the North American Joint Board, and the receipt of Mr. Day as Treasurer of the Board of Foreign Missions, which carries the Shantung accounts. Dr. Balmanaid, without doubt, make an admirable President for the University, but no one could be enthusiastic over having the outstanding Professional Medical man in China become the Fresident of Shantung and having the outstanding Chemist become the Dean of the Arts College, thus taking these two mentioned scientific specialists and putting them into general administrative work. I know of no one that would make a better President for Shantung than Dr. Balme, but we are simply weakening the walls of the structure in order to provide a roof, which of course may in certain circumstances be the wise thing to do. In America we are all very fond of Dr. Balme, and regard him with high esteem. With kindest regards and best wishes to Mrs. Moorshead, and yourself, I am Yours very sincerely, ET Scotland GTS/J

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May 18th, 1921.

Dr. R. Fletcher Moorshead, 19, Furmival St., Holborn, London, E. C. 4, England.

Dear Dr. Moorshead:-

Horth American Joint Board, along with copy of my covering letter to the Field Board of Managers, will give you the Shantung University items as they now stand in our mind over here. I believe they cover practically everything that I would wish to say to you personally.

In the minutes of the British Joint Board of March 18th, the particular item which was referred to the North American Joint Board was that of charter and incorporation, concerning which I have written to you previously, and which general subject has been referred to Dr. Monroe in conference with the officers of the British Joint Board in China for report back to the North American Joint Board.

one which I stated to him it would not seem wise for you to urge him to visit America in the Fall. We would of course be very happy to have him here at any time as he is always a tremendous help, but all things considered - not the least his own health and strength - we believe that we should forego the pleasure at the time suggested, unless of course there should be some unforeseen reason before the time of his leaving Britain.

With warmest regards to both you and Mrs. Moorshead, and to any friends that may be dropping into your office, I remain

Sincerely yours,

G.T. Scott

Secretary of the Borth American Joint Board.

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C. G. Sparham FILING DEPT. London Missionary Society 20 MUSEUM ROAD. WOW BOLD SHANGHAI 19th. May, 1921. 186 Fifth Avenue,

My dear Mr. Scott,

TELEGRAMS: MISSIONARY, SHANGHAI

New York.

TELEPHONE: No. 645

CHINA ADVISORY COUNCIL:

RECD. BEV. C. G. SPARHAM

I am back in Shanghai after a very pleasant journey across Canada and a good veyage across the Pacific. I want to thank you most heartily for all your kindness while I was in New York. It was good to get into close touch with you and the other secretaries and with the Committees that are working at the Home base for the many union schemes in which we are interested. I feel my own view of things will be wider and truer because for a little time I have been at the view point of the Home base. In Toronto I called on several secretaries and had a very interesting time especially with Dr. Gunn. The Canadian Congregationalists are for the time being concentrating on a mission in Africa in which they are working in connection with the American Board. Probably for the time being this is all that they can do, but I ventured to suggest that in the future they may find, if possible, to do something for China and that the Shantung University in which the Canadian Presbyterians are now taking so active a part, would seem a natural interest for them to take up. I think they are inclined to consider the matter. I shall send them literature from time to time and it may be you will find it possible to press the matter.

I am glad to hear on my return that Dr. Neal is very much better and that he is hoping later on to take up some quiet work perhaps translation of medical books or something of that sort.

I have some arrears to overtake which have been accumulating but as soon as possible I shall hope to go to Tsinan. Again thanking you and with very kind regards to Dr. Brown and Dr. Speer, Believe me,

Yours very sincerely.

CGS/EL

Ch. Sparham,

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20 MUSEUM ROAD.

SHANGHAI

7th. June, 1921.

Rev. G. T. Scott, Secretary North American Joint Board, Shantung Christian University, 156 Fifth Avenue. New York.

Dear Mr. Scott.

Yesterday I received a letter from Dr. Charles F. Johnson, chairman of the Committee concerned in which occurs the following paragraph:-

> "The Committee appointed by the Administrative Council to secure a President for the University would beg leave to unanimously recommend to the Field Board of Managers that Dr. Harold Balme be invited to accept the Presidency of the University. This recommendation has been unanimously approved by the Faculties of the three Colleges of the University."

> > I am accordingly cabling you:-

"INCULCATE NEW YORK SCOTT IKYCTANIXT EHADZ-TAGUJ BALME AWNUCAHHYD SPARHAM"

which decoded reads: -

"FACULTIES AND REFERENCE COMMITTEE RECOMMEND DESIGNATION OF () TO PRESIDENT OF UNI-VERSITY BALME IS THIS APPROVED BY SHANTUNG CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY ADVISORY COUNCIL*

I am assuming that the code AHHYD stands for the North American Joint Board as well as for what was previously the Shantung Christian University Advisory Council. I trust this code will be clear.



The next meeting of the Field Board of Managers is called for July 5th and I trust that we may have cables both from London and New York which will enable the Field Board to take action. It is to me personally, a source of satisfaction that Dr. Balme is being invited to this very responsible position. He has the confidence and affection, I believe, of every member of the University staff, and he has the gift of sending out statements which appeal both to the American and the British friends of the University.

I had a long letter from Dr. Neal a few days ago. He has made steady progress and is able to be out of doors every day now. We all cherish the hope that after some months of complete rest he may be able to take up some form of work again. We shall be specially glad if he can give us some books, medical or otherwise. For which his fine professional knowledge and long practical experience seems specially to equip him.

With kindest regards, I am,

Yours very sincerely,

Chairman

CG. Sparhaue.

Field Board of Managers Shantung Christian University,

CGS/EL



June 23rd, 1921.

Dr. R. Fletcher Moorshead, 19, Furmival Street, Holborn, London E.C.4, England.

Dear Dr. Moorshead:-

Enclosed is a copy of letter which I am writing to the Field Board of Managers. I believe that nothing in it calls for additional comment to you. The attached copy of letter which I sent to the members of the North American Joint Board on the question of Dr. Balme's nomination for the Presidency will indicate to you my personal, and I am sure the general, point of view on his high qualifications for this office.

If Dr. Balme should be elected President before he leaves England it might be well under these circumstances for him to return to China by way of America to renew his contacts here.

Will you be good enough to speak to Dr. Balme regarding Dr. O'Brien, to whom reference is made in the letter? Dr. Balme may wish to send me some word regarding Dr. O'Brien.

Will you also be good enough to ask Dr. Balme if he desires any of the cuts which were used for illustrating the Shantung pamphlets? I wrote to him regarding this on April 21st, but have not heard from him. Mr. Cassat asked me to send to him in Tsinanfu at the earliest possible the cuts which Dr.Balme does not want.

In my letter to the Field Board I trust I am not too severe regarding the deflection of designated funds, but the North American Joint Board feels strongly that designated funds should not be used for other objects without the expressed consent of the donor and/or Trustees.

With warmest regards to Mrs. Moorshead, Dr. Balme and yourself. I am

Very sincerely yours.

GTS/J

Enclosures.



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June 25, 1921.

Br. R. Fletcher Moorshead, 19, Purnival Street, Holborn, London, E.C.4, England.

Dear Dr. Moorshead:-

We are in receipt of your cable reading-

"Field Board Suggests Momination Balme President University. Please ascertain as soon as possible and telegraph attitude America Joint Board. British Board meeting arranged for July 1st this year. Moorshead."

We have cabled you as follows:-

"Balmeawlel Ydavcajful Micopscott,"

Translation:

"Balme Approved Unanimously. Have advised Mission. Scott."

Yours very sincerely,

G.T. Scott

GTS/MJ

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Me - De Balue

June 25th, 1921.

Mr. R. Fletcher Moorshead, 19, Furnival Street, Holborn, London, E.C.4, England.

Dear Dr. Moorshead:-

I have just received your cablegram regarding Dr. Balme's nomination for President of the Shantung Christian University, and asking for a wire from me on the attitude of the North American Joint Board.

I am cabling you to the effect that Dr. Balme is very cordially approved, and that we have so informed the Field by cablegram.

This question was discussed in my letter to the Field Board of this week, a copy of which was mailed to you earlier today.

Everyone realizes that Dr. Balme will make an excellent President, and we pray for the fullest success of the Institution under his leadership, if he should assume that responsible position.

It is a Yery hot day, and my warm regards have real significance.

I am

Sincerely yours.

G.T. Scott

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I have now much pleasure in forwarding the Minutes of the Meeting which I think will fairly well explain themselves. You will note that in regard to certain items the Board took similar action to what your Board had done at their Annual Meeting on May 11, and I think everybody felt what a very good thing it was that representatives of both Boards will be meeting in China during the coming autumn. We shall each benefit, I am sure, to a very considerable extent by the report that they bring back upon the matters specifically referred to. Equally will the University benefit by the presence and counsel of the officers of both boards.

The Board were very gratified to learn Muses Home that so substantial a fund had been got together for the purpose of erecting a Nurses' Home at the Medical School and Hospital of the University, and we all know what encouragement this will mean to those of our friends who are working in that department at Tsinan.

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With regard to the action that you took upon the case of Dr. Adolph and the Deanship of the School of Arts & Science, the Board felt that without doubt you had been guided wisely in the conclusion at which you had arrived. that as an outcome of the reference back which has been made of this matter to the University authorities in China, some new proposition will suggest itself which will commend the cordial assent of both Joint Boards.

As I write, there comes in your last letter under date June 23, containing a copy of the recent letter that you have written to the University. I can only acknowledge this to-day as I must confer with Dr. Balme over certain items to which you have drawn attention, and I cannot see him for this purpose to-day. I will therefore hope to write you early next week in answer to this last communication.

Trusting that you are keeping well, and with kindest regards to Mrs Scott and yourself in which I know Mrs Moorshead would wish to join were she here,

Believe me,

Yours cordially,

P. Bletcher Mooshad

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FIELD BOARD OF MANAGERS:

Rev. G. T. Scott, 156, Fifth Avenue, New York.

Dear Mr. Scott,

Your cable giving the North American Joint Board's approval to the nomination of Dr. Balme to the presidency of the University came to hand just before the meeting of the Field Board on July 5th. Similar approval came from the British Joint Board. The way for action was accordingly clear, and with unanimity and great heartiness Dr. Balme was elected. I cabled the result to Dr. Balme and yesterday received by cable his acceptance. This is cause for profound thankfulness. The next few years promise to be great in opportunity and we rejoice that the University will have Dr. Balme's strong leadership.

With kindest regards,

Yours very sincerely

Ch. Sparham.

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August 19, 1921

Rev. C. G. Sparham 20 Museum Road Shanghai, China

My dear Mr. Sparnam:

Thank you for your note of July 19th, telling of Dr. Balme's election to the presidence and of his acceptance by cablegram. This reached me just in time to add a postscript to a letter which I was writing to the Field Board of Managers through Mr. Burt with a copy for Mr. Cassat and Dr. Moorshead. It is needless to say that we all greatly rejoice in Dr. Balme's acceptance for as you know we have long thought that he would make an admirable man in this important post. Of equal interest and pleasure to us was the news of the invitation to Dr. Hayes and Dr. Bruce. We earnestly pray that they may see their way clear to accept. I sent a cablegram addressed to both of them through our China Council, reading:

"COUNCIL EXECUTIVE PRESBYTERIAN BOARD FOREIGN MISSION U.S.A. CONGRATULATE YOU ON YOUR APPOINTMENT SHARTUNG CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY IF YOU ACCEPT YOU HAVE OUR HEARTY APPROVAL"

Our Presbyterian Board will not meet until the middle of Spetember and the North American Joint Board is widely scattered but the sentiment of the Executive Councillwill be I am sure heartily approved by both these other bodies. I ventured to send this endorsement as I had received an intimation from Mr. Burt that the attitude of the home boards would no doubt largely affect the response to the Unvitation.

With warmest regards, I am

Very sincerely yours,

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so glad to hear since that Dr. Adolph has taken the matter just as we would have imagined he would do and that the School of Arts & Science will still be able to count upon his undivided attention to the Department of Chemistry.

In the matter concerning Dr. Balme and the proposal that he should be elected as President of the University, on this side we are extremely glad to know both from the cable and from your letters how cordially you and your colleagues of the North American Joint Board were in support of Dr. Balme becoming President of the University.

My previous letter will have told you just how the British Joint Board felt with regard to the proposition, and I need not go over that ground again. It was a great satisfaction to us when Dr. Balme, having received a definite invitation from the Field Board, decided to accept the same, and cabled the Chairman of the Field Board of Managers to that effect. He would not have felt able to do so, so readily if it had not been for the knowledge that he had andyour cordial concurrence in the invitation, and as he will doubtless have told you himself he wants to feel that in taking up the work of the Presidency of this International University, he will be able to count upon the support of the Officers and members of both Joint Boards, and of We have told him. just the Field Board at Tsinan. as you will have done, that he may do that to the utmost extent of our power to serve both him and the great work in which he is engaged. He will need all our prayers for the task is indeed a very onerous one, but our dear friend knows where his greatest Strength lies, and we know that the future is safe in our Lord's keeping.

You were kind enough to say that you thought it might be well under the new circumstances, if Dr. Balme were to return to China by way of America so that he might renew his contacts with your side. Both he and I can most thoroughly appreciate the point of view from which you wrote when you expressed that thought, but I am afraid that as things are, it will be difficult for him to manage to do that, much as he would have liked to do so had it heen more possible. He will be engaged here in the work of promotion almost up to the very date of his sailing for China via Suez on November 26, and Dr. Balme feels that he ought not to delay his return to China any longer. in view of the work out there. Furthermore he has been of late in a very jaded state, and as a result

of very insistent representations on my part, reenforced finally by our consulting physician. Dr. Balme has gone off for a period of thorough rest. You know something of his prodigious energy and you will appreciate the difficulty one has, with a man like him, to get him to take a rest, that everyone else sees to be so imperatively necessary. Still, I am glad to say he has been willing to give in in that direction, and I hope that when he comes back from this rest time, in the third week of September, he will be much better, and fit enough for the important engagements that he has before him in the coming autumn. In view of all this, however, I feel that he will need to get the rest of a long sea voyage before he takes up his work in China, as otherwise one just fears lest he will go back less recuperated than one would wish to see the case.

If therefore Dr. Balme had crossed the Atlantic and spent a little time with you to get into fresh touch with one and another and speed on the cause of the University, I am afraid that, great advantage as it would have been, it might have resulted in his not getting back to China as rested as I am sure you will agree is so absolutely necessary. So, though I am very sorry indeed that the new President will not on this occasion gain the great help that he would have secured had he been able to visit you, ere returning to the University, yet I wenture to think that you will thoroughly enter into the reason why, and attribute it to the case to which I have alluded.

I was much interested in what you wrote about Dr. O'Brien, and asked Dr. Balme to write you upon the same. He has already done this. and so you will know what he feels in that connection.

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Dr. Balme also, I understand, answered your point in regard to those cuts which were used in illustrating the Shantung pamphlets.

Your point concerning designated funds commends itself highly to us here, and we are one Use of fueds with you in feeling that funds which have been given to the University for any specific purpos given to the University for any specific purpose should not be deflected for any other object, without the full consent of both the donor and the Governing bodies of the University.

I have just received from Mr. Cassat a letter written under date July 15, in which he sends the Statement of the S.C.U. accounts for the fiscal year ending on June 30, and also his revised Budget for the current year. You will of course have heard from him in the same strain. It was most welcome news to learn that the fiscal year had ended without a deficit on any School or Department, and one can join most thoroughly with what Mr. Cassat says when he attributes this very excellent result to the firm administration of our beloved friend, Dr. Neal, during the earlier part of the period in question. One was conscious last year that Dr. Neal was striving by might and main to favoid a deficit, and now we see the result of his unremitting supervision of University expenditure.

I have not yet had time, since the receipt of Mr. Cassat's letter, to go through the accounts which he has sent in detail, but in acknowledging this letter I have told him how thankful we feel for the result, which, as I have pointed out to him, will re-assure the people at home tremendously, and do much to encourage further efforts on behalf of the University. I feel sure that you will entertain a similar feeling, and that both our Joint Boards will be stimulated, in their desire to serve the University by resting the careful disposal of the funds, which is thus evidenced in the hands of the Field Board. Of course I write all this without having gone through the statements, but the very fact that the anticipated deficit was avoided by careful conservation of the funds upon which the University is able to draw, is in itself, is it not? a very noteworthy result. Mr. C assat has also pointed out the revision that he has been able to bring about in the Budget for the current year, and has indicated the new classification that /Budget has been adopted in dividing the year into primary and secondary. One can see, I think, a real advantage that is achieved by such a step, at least so it seems to me from the preliminary review that one has been able to make of the statement. I wonder whether you will not feel in the same way? The arrangement will certainly help us to see more quickly than was the case before, what part of the Budget is met and covered by the receipts which the University is able to anticipate definitely, and what are those objects Which would at present it has still to wait for the needed resources.

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Mr. Cassat has emphasized one of the very most immediate needs is to find a secretary for the President, and you will, I am sure, be very interested to hear that that need is already in process of being met. I am glad to say that we have had an offer of service from a lady here who has been my own secretary, working in this house, who wishes to go out for this piete of missionary service. Miss Moore has already been helping Dr. Balme quite a lot since the time when he has been on furlough, and is therefore quite au fait with the work. I am more sorry than I can tell to lose her from our work here, and doubt whether I would have been willing for the step, if it had not been that one felt how earnest was her own personal desire to go out for this special bit of service, and how excellent was her fitness for this particular type of work. She will go out on a definite missionary footing in connection with our own Society, though supported by funds which we hope to get fully secured through the British Joint Board as one result of Dr. Balme's efforts. It will be a great comfort, I am sure, to you, just as it is to me, to feel that our dear friend, Dr. Balme, in all the onerous work that lies ahead of him, will have this expert help in all his secretarial work. One could only wish that Dr. Neal had had similar help last year, as perhaps if only he had been less driven what has happened might not have taken place.

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I should have added, in referring to Miss Moore, that before she goes out, she is going to spend three months at our Women's Missionary Training College, so that she may get into the full missionary atmosphere and receive all the help that that time of study and quiet may mean to anyone going out to the Mission Field.

We are thinking very much at the present time, as I dare say you are, of our friends who have gone out to Peking, and who will be visiting Tsiman afterwards. I do trust that one outcome of their visit will be that we shall get on to some eclear, sure ground in those important questions concerning a Chinese Charter and the Incorporation of the University.

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And now trusting that you are keeping well, and being greatly helped in all your important work, and with kindest regards,

Believe me, my dear Mr. Scott,

Yours cordially,

Bolthe Wooshins

P.S. Please remember me very kindly to Mrs S cott, who, I trust, is also keeping well, together with your family. Mrs Moorshead would wish to join with me in all these greetings, were she here. We remember with constant thankfulness your kindness when in New York at the Spring of last year.

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August 30th, 1921

Rev. G. T. Scott. M.A.. 156. Fifth Avenue. New York. U.S.A.

My dear Mr. Scott.

Just before the enclosed letter, which I dictated two days ago could be signed and despatched, your letter under date August 12th arrived enclosing copy of a letter which you have recently written to the Field Board of Managers. I am therefore taking the opportunity of writing this extra note to thank you for writing to me and for all the information which you have so kindly permitted me to glean.

Dr. Balme is now away as you will see by my other letter but I am sending on to him your letters. I know he will greatly appreciate your kind words and hearty congratulations.

You are far too kind in your generous allusion to the little share I may be permitted to have in compiling the Minutes of the British Joint Board, if only one can report the feelings of the Board in a sufficiently clear manner we are only too glad to have the privilege.

I have noted with much interest the various items to which you have drawn attention in your letter to the Field Board of Managers; all of them are of great interest. It was very encouraging to learn of the response that the China Medical Board had made to your application for a grant for the Medical School for the year beginning July 1st, 1921. It lifts a great burden from all of us, and will be specially valued I know by the Officers of the University at Tsinan. I shall communicate this news to the B ritish Joint Board when

they next meet, and feel quite sure they will wish to place on record their very hearty appreciation of this further help that has been rendered by the China Medical Board.

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meantime I am writing to the Board to let them know how much I feel thankful at the action they have so generously of taken.

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glad to learn what you reported item six in your letter, and was all the more interested in it because of what I had just learned from a letter that has reached me from Mr. Burt with regard to the invitation that the Field Board have recently send to Mr. Hayes and Mr. Burt to rejoin the University Staff. If it should turn out that both these brethren see the way clear to accept the invitation what a delightful thing it would be. Can we dare to hope for it? From what Mr. Burt says I gather that the Field Board took this action on the strength of what seemed to be a powerful spiritual impulse, and if that should have been so, as we may believe. I venture to think that the same spirit which permitted the invitation will guide our brethren in considering it.

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I noted with much interest all that you said under item 7 dealing with the finances of the University, seeing that my other letter made allusion to this point I will not say anything further with regard to that item.

Your position in the States is evidently as much the same as ours here in regard to the difficulty of raising additional funds at the present juncture.

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Turning to the postscript of your letter. what you have said over the invitation of Dr. Hayes and Mr. Bruce, and as the members of our own Board here will be shortly returning from their vacation I will endeavour to get in touch with them and see that some expression of feeling is secured and sent out to the University with regard to the invitation. I note also a renewed invitation has been sent to Dr. Fitch, and from your letter I judge that you would support Dr. Fitch becoming the Dean of the School of Arts and Science should he see his way to respond to the invitation. Having had the privilege of meeting Dr. Fitch myself when in China I venture to indulge in the hope that he may feel this invitation to be a call of God and that your Board may be able to agree to his transference to Tsinan. If that should take place, and in addition, Dr. Hayes and Mr. Bruce return for the special work for which they have been invited by the Field Board who splendidly this would strengthen the whole position

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Let us pray most earnestly that God's Will may be revealed and embodied in all the decisions that may be arrived at in connection with this important matter.

I note what you have said to the Board regarding the occasional notes and entirely endorse your suggestion.

With warmest greetings,
Believe me, my dear Mr. Scott,
Yours very sincerely,

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REV C. E. WILSON B.A. (B.M.S.) LONDON, E.C. 4. October 26th, 1921 SCOTT REC'D Rev. G. T. Scott, M. A. 156, Fifth Avenue, New York. My dear Mr. Scott. I am very much concerned that though I have received from you some most interesting correspondence during the past two months I have completely failed in either sending you an acknowledgment of the same, or in letting you know what has transpired on this side in connection with the Shantung Christian University. Though I have not written it has not been because one has not appreciated your kindness in transmitting to me copies of the correspondence that you have been sending to China over the Shantung Christian University, or that I have not wanted to write to you in a far more regular way than has been the case. The fact is one has had to use up all one's spare time, that was available for the Shantung Christian University, in endeavours to help Balme in his very difficult work in the promotion of interest in the University. Now the first thing I ought to say is to apologise for not having sent on to you a copy of the Minutes of the last Meeting of the British J oint Board which was held on September 14th. I do not know whether Dr. Balme has enclosed to you a copy or made reference to what took place at the Meeting, but of course I ought to have sent a copy of these Minutes to you weeks ago. I believe that I wrote to you shortly before the meeting of the Board, that is early in September, and if it had not been for the circumstances to which I have already made allusion you would have had a copy of these Minutes long ere this. I wish now I had posted them to you without any covering letter, and perhaps in the future, should any difficulty arise in writing fully, one had better adopt the course of sending on the Minutes as they stand. My desire, however, had been to write you at the same time and thus I held back the Minutes in the hope that I should speedily be able to fulfil the duty of writing a covering letter. I do hope you will forgive me.

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You will notice when you read the Minutes the course that the Board took in regard to the matter of Dr. Hayes and Mr. Bruce. It was indeed the only line that was really possible when the Joint Board considered the matter, the B. M. S. - the one British partner in the work of the Theogloical School, - had received no previous intimation of Theogloical School, - had been made for the return of Dr. Hayes when the Joint Board considered the matter; for unfortunately the proposal that had been made for the return of Dr. Hayes and Mr. Bruce. My colleague Mr. Wilson, the principal representative of the B. M. S. upon the joint Board, felt obliged to say that until his Society had had an opportunity of hearing of the invitation that had been sent to Dr. Hayes and Mr. Bruce he did not feel that he could participate in a definite vote npon the subject.

> The British Joint Board accordingly felt that they must defer any further action until the B. M. S. had had an opportunity of giving consideration to the subject, and there · the matter was left.

> One other real difficulty that presented itself to the Joint Board was that the newly elected President had not been in any way apprised of the proposal that Dr. Hayes and Mr. Bruce should return before the invitation had actually been sent to both these brethren. It seemed to the Joint Board that that was a most regrettable thing, and though Dr. Balme himself was not anxious, in the slightest degree, that this should be introduced into the discussion, yet the Board were obliged to feel that it would have been a far wiser thing had the new Prosident have required of the state of the sta the new President been acquainted with the intention of the Board and given an opportunity of expressing any views that ' he might feel on the subject.

It is, of course, quite easy to understand how the Field Board were moved to take the action they did when they met in July, and the Joint Board entirely recognises the spirit

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in which the Field Board decided to take the great step of inviting Dr. Hayes and Mr. Bruce to once more become connected with the University. The Joint Board were also very greatly influenced by the news that you had apprised me of in your letter of August 19th, namely, that the Council of your Presbyterian Executive had decided to cable a cordial message of approval to both these brethren in China. But notwithstanding all this the Joint Board somewhat joined in the expression of regret that the new President had not been first of all acquainted with the invitation.

Since the meeting of the Joint Board the B.M.S. Committee has met, and after hearing about the invitation Mr. Wilson has written to the Secretary of the B.M.S. Shantung of Conference upon the matter and also to Mr. Bruce.

It would be premature and probably unwise if I were to hazard any opinion as what is likely to be the final decision of the British Joint Board, but I am quite sure of this that when they meet, and when time has elapsed sufficiently to allow of further correspondence being received from the B. M. S. in Shantung, that there will be a large measure of consensus as to the proposed step. Everybody on this side is anxious to see all sort of competition in regard to Theology in Shantung eliminated, and is keen to see all appearance of a breach, particularly in regard to the Chinese Church, cleared out of the way.

The return of Dr. Balme will, of course, contribute yet more to the easy solution of this matter, and I cherish the most earnest hope that if it be God's Will, as we may believe that it is, that Dr. Hayes and Mr. Bruce should once more be associated with the work of the University, specially in connection with that Department of it in which they have been invited to take a share, that they will be moved to accept the invitation, carrying with it, as I am sure that will do, the complete support of the Joint Boards.

I do not know that I need to make any particular allusion to the other Minutes of this Meeting of the British Joint Board, except to say that as regards Minute 121 we are still hoping for the completion of the funds to enable Dr. C. Titterton Maitland to be sent out to Tsinan. Since the time when the Joint Board met progress has been made in that direction, and I think that I would be almost justified in saying that the required sum is practically assured. I must defer, however, to a subsequent date making any precise statement on the matter. Our great desire is, as you will have gathered, that this very capable man may be added to the Medical Faculty, and we shall be profoundly disappointed if this hope is not realised.

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Now there are one or two matters over which I wish very much indeed that one could have a personal talk with you. Of course that is quite impossible, and I must therefore content myself with the very second best method of trying to touch on them in correspondence.

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The first point I have in mind is in relation to the recent proposal that has been made with regard to Women Students and the Shantung Christian University. It seems to me that the Medical Department is the most logical place where the first steps should be taken in regard to Women Students, but whatever is done I presume that we should all proceed along the line of union work, that is to say that if Women Students were to be trained in Medicine at Tsinan then it would be in a Union School for Women? Some of the Missionaries of the B.M.S. are evidently enamoured with the thought of opening the University to Women, and some have actually wanted to see us transfer our Girls Middle School, which at present is located at Chowtsun, two and a half hours away on the railway from Tsinan, tomTsinan, to be out near the University Campus with a View to it becoming, later on, a place where our B. M. S. Girls who might be attending the University might Personally, I very much doubt the wisdom of such a proposal as that, and as regards the whole matter I must confess to the feeling that we would do well to proceed slowly. We may lose all if the pace is forced, and until the University as a whole, and the men's work in particular. is somewhat more established than is the case at present, and its needs more fully met, I very much doubt the wisdom of seeking to launch another development in the direction of Women's University Education. Then too, as you know I think, there are some of the members of the Medical Faculty at Tsinan who are by no means keen on Women's Medical Education.

I do hope therefore that our friends out in China will not want to press on in this matter too quickly. When we look back over the past few years we see what a remarkable progress has been made in regard to this University, and in view of the very grievous difficulties now attending the problem of finding the necessary support one does incline considerably to a cautious policy in respect to the introduction of Women to the University. I infer from what youhave said that you feel somewhat similarly.

Then, in the next place in regard to that point of yours over the 'quotas' by co-operating Mission Boards.

I well remember a talk we had together when I was in New York

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upon this very matter, and I think, if I remember correctly, that I then said to you that I hoped my own Society, the B. M. S., would feel able to follow your Society in guaranteeing a definite quota of representatives on the University Staff. But alas, as you will have gathered, my hope has not proved capable of realisation, for amongst the Reputation and proved capable of realisation, for amongst the Reputation executive of our Society there are those who, whilst perfectly willing to use their utmost endeavour to meeting the needs of the Society, as they arise, for suitable men and women, yet are very indisposed to guaranteeing a certain number in advance. We are told, those of us who may have somewhat advocated the policy of undertaking a given number, that the Society never has adopted that course in regard to other branches of its service, and that there is no more reason why a Society should guarantee a given number to an Educational Institution than

> All this of course has its pros and cons, and it is eady to see where the shoe pinches on either side. It would of course be vastly better so far as the University itself is concerned if the various co-operating Societies were to assure the University of their willingness to maintain a definite quota on the Staff and not go below that, but I am afraid that so far as this side We are faced with an unapproachable ideal just at this moment. There is no reluctance, I am perfectly sure, to doing the very best that can be done to find support for every suitable man who might offer, but for tactical reasons, if for no other, it may be well if we do not press at this stage that any Society would undertake the support of a given number of Missionaries, i.e. above of course the atucal minimum indicated in the basis of co-operation.

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I was greatly interested in seeing from your letter of August 12th written to Mr. Burt that your application to the China Medical Board has been attended with such success, and that the Board had agreed to give a grant of 30,000 dollars Mex. for the Medical School of the University for the year beginning July 1st, 1921. It will have lifted a very heavy burden of responsibility from the shoulders of our friends in China, and will of course have eased the position of the University very considerably with regard to the current year. In fact it would have been a very disastrous position if the China Medical Board had not been disposed to do what they have at present done. This intimation did not reach us in time to be alluded to at the meeting of the British Joint Board which was held last month, but when the Board next meets it will, I am sure, desire to place on record their appreciation of the action that the China Medical Board have thus taken. What a wood tremendous gain this great organisation has been able to be to

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with much self sacrifice undertaken the responsible office of President of the University, and it has been of the greatest satisfaction to learn from your letters how everybody on your side recognises Dr. Balme's fitness for this post. All of us on the Medical side, of course, have felt a considerable reluntance at seeing one of his calibre largely lost to the active work of his profession, for we recognise that the President has so much administrative work attached to his duties as to negative any considerable work in any particular department. On the other hand it has been frankly impossible to allow such reluctance to dominate our minds, as we have tried to look at the needs of the University as a whole. Dr. Balme does seem pre-eminently to be the man raised up of God to take the leadership of the University at the present very crucial moment, and all of us, both you on your side and we on ours, as well as his colleagues in China, will do the best that in us lies to give him a good backing up in his arduous undertaking.

This leads me on to refer to what Dr. Balme has been doing here in the way of endeavouring to promote an interest in the University. You will have heard something of the very distressing intustrial state of our Country and of the very serious degree of trade depression and unemployment. I understand that things are pretty bad on your side, and you will therefore know well how to appreciate the problem in which Dr. Balme has found himself in his efforts to secure funds for the University. Moreover in endeavouring to secure a practical interest he has had, to a large extent, to work along an unbeaten track. A great deal has been said and done in the L Wans interests of co-operation between the Societies, short of the co-operative raising of funds, which of course is the case of with the Shantung Christian University. When it comes to that then it is at once seen that time has to be spend in carefully preparing the ground and in seeking to bring together the different Christian forces in various centres to the end that they might be made aware of theeffort that has to be made and the necessity that we should all act together in the In ordinary times this would not have been endeavour. a very easy task, but in a year like the present it has been an undertaking of extraordinary difficulty. I have been more sorry than I can tell for our dear friend B lme. He has felt at times as if he were just ploughing the sand, and if you had been here and seen some of the disappointments that he has had to bear you would well understand his feelings. Even now when practically his campaign is almost at an end we can only report that definite Shantung centres have been formed in about half a dozen or more places, and that something less than half that number comprise the actual number of those

places where the work is in active operation. Still, we are not going to be discouraged. We believe that the magnificent advocacy that Balme has but in during the past 16 months is bound to bear fruit, and we anticipate that when the Trade depression has somewhat lifted and some of our business men are less oppressed by anxiety there will be a bigger disposition on their part, than has been manifested up to now, to contribute towards the funds of this great Union undertaking.

Dr. Balmes leaves us on November 26th, travelling by way of the Suez, and hopes to reach China early in the New Year.

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Now as to the Meeting of the Field Board which was held in September. I wonder whether you have already received the Minutes of that Meeting. I rather fancy that you will and that ere long we shall get them here. It is also very probable, I should think, that you may be seeing Mr. Hawkins as he returns to England travelling, I imagine, by way of North America. We are longing to hear what may have been found possible, or agreed upon in regard to those important questions of Incorporation and the Charter. So much hangs on these great matters, and both you and we will be, I am sure, indiging the hand that in both respects some satisfactory solution may soon hope that in both respects some satisfactory solution may soon be reached. When that is done then we shall be in a better position, I imagine, to consider the adjustment of the two Joint Boards of the University. Personally I am becoming convinced that we shall have to effect some arrangement whereby periodically there can be some definite meeting of the Joint Board, or at least of Representatives of the Boards. The policy of carrying on the University under the administration of two Joint Boards separated by the Ocean, who have no provision in their organisation for joint meetings seems to me logically impossible. My we not feel that the present system is only a provisional one pending a more mature settlement as soon as the big matters respecting the Incorporation and the Charter have been satisfactorily arranged.

> There are many other very important points sontained in your letters to the University and which have interested me greatly but I must not further lengthen this letter by making any specific allusion to them.

I hope that you are keeping well as also Mrs Scott and your family. The pleasure of our visit to New York lingers in our memories, and I am longing for the time to come when you may come over here and we may have a similar opportunity for reciprocating at least a little of all that kindness which you so generously extended to us when we were your visitors in New York.

With kindest regards, believe me, dear Mr. Scott, Yours sincerely, William Workherd.

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Dr. R. Fletcher Moorshead, 19, Furnival Street, London, E.C., England.

Dear Dr. Moorshead:-

The accompanying copy of a letter to Mr. Burt, with the enclosed minutes of the Executive Committee of the North American Joint Board, will largely bring you up to date with what we have been doing on this side of the Atlantic in connection with Shantung University. Will you kindly share the enclosed with Dr. Balme?

Your good letter of August 29th and 50th was clearly in mind at the meeting of our Executive Committee on October 31st. It was a great encouragement to know that Dr. Balme was to have such a preficient secretary and I am sure that Miss Moore will be a great blessing in more ways than one to the work of the Institution.

Thank you for writing so clearly and fully on the items which you mention. I am afraid that my letters seem very curt and brusque, but I do not seem to be able to wedge in between the interruptions of a busy office such pleasant and genial letters as I have had from you.

Today your letter of October 26th arrives, and I have read it and the minutes of the British Joint Board of September 16th with great interest. Please do not take any time in writing to me to apolegise for anything. It embarrasses me deeply.

I am quite sympathetic with what you write as to the naturalness of referring to Dr. Balme the invitation extended to Dr. Rayes and Mr. Bruce. I confess that I myself did not realisenthe propriety of such reference when I despatched, as requested by Mr. Burt, assurance of support from New York City. It seems as though neither of these two gentlemen will be able in the near future to accept the invitation.

You will see what the minutes say, and what I have written, regarding the Woman's Department and the Middle School. These two ventures do not now approve themselves in any way whatever to the North American Joint Board. Of course we will keep an open mind on both these matters, but just at present we are strongly of the opinion that Shantung must do much better work in the Departments which she has already undertaken. To our minds, this is anything but the time for expansion. The best that we can do now is to consolidate our gains and dig in.

My remarks on staff quetas are in no way meant to reflect upon the B.M.S. which is of course quite free to decide in any way that it decires, and ought not to have felt the slightest pressure from the fact that the Presbyterian Beard signed up for a guaranteed queta. You are quite right in thinking that I gather from you that the B.H.S. would undertake to support the queta of 15; or, as you may recall mentioning "possibly 14"

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Presbyterian Board in guaranteeing the queta of 10 on the staff, the thought being that that is the minimum that our two major Boards would undertake to support, and that we would try to do everything we could, consistent with the recommendations of the Shantung Mission, to support more than 10. I do feel that the University should have definite assurance of a certain number on the the missionary staff on which it can really count, but as I see our difficulty in trying to maintain a staff of 15, I believe that a smaller queta ought to be guaranteed by the Cooperating Board, and I am ready to recommend that the number be reduced, but I would be glad to recommend that the number be kept at a figure of approximately 10, if the B. M. S. felt that it could do likewise.

Do not think that I am trying to coax you into what I have called in the accompanying letter the "guaranteeing" business, but it seems to me only fair for the two major Boards to assure the Institution that they will guarantee to maintain as large a minimum as possible and state that minimum. On the other hand, in a union institution I believe the Boards on the same level of cooperation should undertake the same guarantees.

I can readily believe all the fine things which you have said regarding the able and self-sacrificing advancing of the interests by Dr. Balme, and I thoroughly appreciate the difficulties which you outline as having faced him. In view of the great difficulty of getting increased funds, or funds for any new thing in the homelands now, I am glad that the University has already begun to send its roots down into China's soil for source of nourishment for these local sources I believe are its chief hope of extended and continued support and development.

The question of the charter and incorporation, as reported by Mr. Hawkins, was very much of a surprise and the sort of surprise I do not like to receive for the American Boards interested in Shantung University are now handling about all of the incorporated institutions that we are physically capable of caring for. If the British Boards could only send over two or three representative and responsible Secretaries to live over here and help in the executive management of these institutions, we would welcome them with open arms. Cannot you yourself be given an assignment to America, with offices in New York City for executive relationship to all sorts of British ecoperative enterprises? If we send a member of the International Missionary Council to Lendon, then Britain ought to send a representative of four union Missionary Institutions to New York. I never thought of this idea before thirty seconds ago, but it now appears to me to be an inspiration.

If the Institution is chartered in America, how could we secure adequate British representative at Board meetings and for the other administrative and premptional home-base work of the Institution? I am afraid that Britain might feel less responsibility for the University if she had less intimate relationship with it.

I am sending a copy of this letter to Dr.Balme, along with a copy of the Executive Committee minutes. I wish him bon voyage all the way from London to Shanghai.

With warmest regards to Mrs. Moorshead and yourself, and with frequent and numerous recollections of our interesting and not entirely unpleasant experience in China, I am

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Field Board upon this subject, they felt that the moment was not ripe to contemplate such advances as were suggested. Without doubt there is great scope for extending the University work amongst the girls of China, but in view of the serious demands of our present commitments for Tsinanfu the Board feel that we ought not to, under present conditions, accept fresh responsibilities. It is therefore perfectly clear that the mind of your Board and of the Board here is absolutely one in regard to these matters.

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2. RETHE CHARTER AND INCORPORATION When Mr. Hawkins returned and reported upon what had taken place in China in the shape of investigation into this matter, We like you were very sorry to learn that all the efforts to try and secure a . satisfactory Chinese Charter were unavailing. Mr. Hawkins made it perfectly clear that it was essential that the University should secure a Charter, and at the same time he informed us that all the enquiries that had been made of the Chinese Authorities with this end in view had ended in a disappointing manner. They are not prepared apparently to recognise in Institution in which Christian religion is being taught as an integral element in the whole course. Consequently unless the University were prepared to forego or camouflage its Christian position and character, then no present hope can be held out of a satisfactory Charter being obtained from Chinese This, as Mr. Hawkins pointed out, threw the University sources. back upon obtaining a Charter from one of the Home Lands, and as it seemed most unlikely, if not impossible, that a Charter could be obtained from Great Britian, the Field Board having been able to entertain only one alternative and that was the securing of a Charter from America.

Now when the matter was thus laid afresh before the British Joint Board they were unanimous in feeling that in order to secure such a Charter as the University had recommended application should be made for one which was calculated to bestow upon the University the prestige and first class recognition that was sought.

From that point of view every member of the British Joint Board felt that there could be no conceivable objection to carrying out the recommendation of the Field Board. At the same time there was what perhaps might be regarded as a somehwat disappointment that even such an Institution as the Shantung Christian University with its considerable British interest could not obtain a Charter from Grest Britian. The Board were of course aware that the other China Mission Universities had all secured their Charters from America, and they felt that it would have meant a great deal in the way of enlisting a larger measure of British interest and support if the University would be in possession of a Charter from this Country. Dr. Balme stated what we all knew that so far as that went you on your part were most cordial in your feeling that if such a solution of the Charter question could be found you would be perfectly happy. We all felt that it was extremely good of you to have made that reference when the matter had previously been under discussion, and the Board felt sure that no member of their Sister Board in North America would misunderstand the attitude of the British Joint Board in wishing to explore to the remotest end any possibility whereby a British Charter could be obtained for the Shantung Christian University. At the same time the Board felt that in view of the great importance of the University obtaining this Charter we could not allow the matter to slide indefinitely. It was understood that the Regrent of the State of New York had expressed their willingness to grant a Charter and naturally the University would not wish the matter to be indefinitely post-We had not the benefit of the presence of Sir John poned. Jordan at the meeting when this was under consideration, and so the Board felt that it would bea good thing if a letter was sent to him, pointing out the Minute that had been sent home from the Field Board, and asking whether, as he pondered the matter in his mind, he could make any suggestion whereby the search for a British Charter could be recommended. Dr. Balme was also asked to write to Sir John Jordan over the matter and now we are waiting his reply.

I have been making such further enquiries as possible upon the matter and anticipate that early in 1922 I may be able to report the final result of such enquiries as are now in training. I feel that one cannot hold out much hope at present of a British Charter being obtained, but it is just conveivable that we might discover some way whereby the end can be obtained which might be that the British Authorities will be willing to grant a Charter for this University, If the Headquarters were to be established here in London and the Board of Trustees it would mean the Charter would be empowered to grant degrees to the Students who passed the examinations of the University at from them Tsinan. Such a Board of Trustees would of course be International, being representative of the corporating Societies on

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both sides of the Atlantic. If anything like this were to be found possible it would, I fear, mean that the Official Headquarters of the University would have to be here, but there would still of course be the need for joint Committees on both sides of the Atlantic.

A Legal Authority whom I have just consulted upon the matter, who is a great friend of the work, is willing to make enquiries a little further in the New Year, but he feels that it is of the utmost importance that some definite expression of opinion should be forthcoming from your side as to your entire and cordial willingness for such an arrangement if powers to bring into operation were obtainable from Great Britian. He thought that it would be a great thing if the Chinese Embassador here, speaking on behalf of America, could be empowered tomsay that there would be no objection felt from the U.S.A. side of the matter if the above scheme came into operation, but as I said to him, I hardly fancy the matter is one which would concern the official relations between Great Britian and the U.S.A., is it not more a matter for your Board as representative of the co-operating Missionary interests in North America to express your feeling on the matter, and then, if that were entirely favourable for us to proceed upon that understanding.

As I have said already you have been so goos as to intimate your own feeling upon the matter in past letters, and I fear that I may be unduly wearying you by referring to it again, but my legal friend evidently feels that some formal assurance of this kind would be of material aid in inducing the British Authorities to give sympathetic consideration to any petition for a Charter that it may or may not be found possible to lay before them.

I do not know whether you will be able to write early in the New Year upon this matter, but if you were able to do so it would facilitate any such further enquiries which we may be able to institute.

3.STAFF QUOTAS - I have read with the utmost interest your reference to this matter, and your recollection of our conversation in New York is perfectly correct. I certainly did hope that it might have been possible for my own Society, the B.M.S, to rise to a guarantee for 13 or 414 men on the University Staff, but my hope did not materialise, and I found myself up against a very serious and deep rooted prejudice against any specific guarantee of this nature. It is not that the B.M.S.

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do not want to do the very utmost that they can but that they do not like the principle of giving any part of their work a guarantee of a certain number on the Staff. I quite admit that there are two sides to this question, and that the one which the B.M.S. holds to very strongly is one which can be argued with considerable force, on the other hand it does seem to me of real importance that the co-operating Societies should be prepared to supply a certain given number on the Staff, and for that reason I have welcomed and admired the lead which your Society gave in this direction, and whilst I can thorough appreciate that your Society is the all that you say as to it being only one which had definitely guaranteed a quota, and it is not surprising that as others have not risen in the same way that you should feel that it is a question whether your guaranteed should not be reduced. If, however, you can see the way to leaving the matter over for the moment I would be very glad and grateful. I say this because as long as you in a sense are guaranteeing 13 there is something in that which gives us on this side a lever wherewith to reach a corresponding effort here.

The B.M.S.have recently accepted two men, one a Medical and one a man specially fitted for Theological work, who it is hoped may be proceeding this year to Shantung and he associated perhaps with the S.C.U. If that were to take place then I think that the actual number of B.M.S.members on the Staff of the University would come up to 11. With your standard of 13 there is the inclination to try and do still better, but at the same time whilst writing like this I cannot of course urge anything, and must content myself with placing the facts before you in the way I have sought to do. With the growth of interest which I believe is undoubtedly going to take place in connection withthe S.C.U. we will try and increase the number of those on the Staff of the University.

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- 4. I was very sorry to see that Dr. Adolph had had to undergo an operation, but am glad to hear that he had got through this successfully and that he anticipates being back at Tsinan for the Spring term.
- in the matter of the Insurance of the University Property. Mr. Hawkins thinks that a real save has been effected.
- 6. Then I am sorry that I am still unable to report that final arrangements have been made for the going out of Dr. Maitland. Unexpected difficulties have arisen in his case but I hope that we shall soon be able to see our way through. The proposal comtained in Minute 133 has not commended itself to him and his friends. The most satisfactory thing of course would be for the R.P.M. to come right in and shoulder his entire support

from the Presbyterian sources, and I am not without hope that we are on the road to something approaching that solution of the problem of his support.

7.DR. DOUGLAS M.BEACH You will notice from Minute 134 how the subject of this prospective member of the Arts Faculty came before the British Joint Board. We are now waiting a cable from Dr. Balme. If he finds it possible to arrange things in China so that Mr. Beach is recommended for this appointment in China upon the Arts Faculty, then we understand that the University will remit £250 to him here to cover the expenses of his third year of his study in this Country. Mr. Beach hopes to sit for his M.A.in June, and would then be prepared if the appointment has been made to go out to China. When the Board had this case before them I was not in receipt of a copy of your letter to Dr. Balme of December 9th in which you draw specific attention to the case of Mr. Beach and reply to points raised by Dr. Balme. I take it that there will be no objection to Mr. Beach being included in the Presbyterian quota, but that if he is to be appointed as a Missionary then you will need to receive a definite recommendation from one of your China Missions. If the University recommend the appointment and he stays on here to complete his M.A.in June would you consider that the best course under those circumstances would be that he should journey to China by way of America giving him an opportunity of seeing you in New York and bringing him before your Board.

Mr. Beach would be very glad indeed to regard himself as a Candidate for your Misson, and from a recent interview I have had with him I must own to be favourably impressed. Hisstudies have been very thorough and he is keen on going back to China as a Missionary. As I have said to Dr. Balme in a letter I have just written to him it would not be worth while Mr. Beach going out to Tsinan unless who were definitely assured of an appointment there, which appointment was not merely for a year or so but on the ordinary missionary footing. If the case were to be one which you could negotiate by taking Mr. Beach on your Staff and making hima respresentative of your Board in the working of the University it would of course be most excellent. If that is not practical then we shall need to explore some other possible alternative, and in that event I would be most grateful for any suggestions that you may be able to make. Should the University not be able to do what Dr. Balme hopes they might find it possible and Mr. Beach cannot be taken up by Ts inan, then he has in mind some work in connection with the Commercial P ress at Shanghai or in connection with the Chang Po Ling works at Tsing.

I think I have now told you everything that can be said about this Mr. Beach expecting that he is the son of the Rev. R.M. Beach, Minister at the Union Church, Peking. This Mr. Beach was, I understand, formerly at Presbyterian and Congregational Churches

Douglus M. Beers in New York and Massacharttes and almost certainly you will know of him and his family.

I was extremely sorry to hear that Mr. Corbett has not felt able to accept the invitation as Dean of the Arts Achool.

It is a very serious matter this prolonged vacancy in that important department.

Let me thank you in closing most warmly for those very kind wishes that you sent to Mrs Moorshead and myself. We would like if we may to reciprocate them most heartily both to Mrs Scott and yourself, and to wish for you the best of wishes for this Christmas and New Year Season. May the work of God increasingly propser in your hands, and may you be richly encouraged as you commence another year of service.

With warmest greetings,
Believe me, my dear Mr. Scott,
Yours very sincerely,
R. Yletcher throughead

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