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15, Devonshire Street,
Bishopsgate,
London, E.C.
2nd September, 1914.

Rev. J. Endicott, D.D.,
Canadian Methodist Mission,
33, Richmond Street West,
TORONTO.

Dear Dr. Endicott,

I suppose that you have received a duplicate of the letter which reached me from Mr. J.A.T. Robertson of Chengtu, applying for a position as teacher in the Department of Geology and Mineralogy in the University. I enclose a copy of the reply which I have sent to him. It seems to me clear that, just at present, we should hardly be justified in going forward in making such an appointment. You may remember that, at the time of Dr. Stubbs's appointment by our Board, he strongly desired to be connected with the Board of Governors itself rather than with any of the Mission Boards participating. The Board of Governors, however, felt that the time had not come for them to make appointments to the ordinary teaching staff of the University, but that, until their financial position was stronger, it was necessary for each Professor to be attached to some particular Mission and receive his support from that Mission. I do not suppose that the Board of Governors would take any different action in regard to this application. I presume, therefore, that we should suggest to Mr. Robertson that he make his application to one of the Boards -- whichever one he feels himself to be most in sympathy with. I did not feel, however, that I could go quite as far as this in my reply to him.

I am sending copies of his letter to me (in case it has not been sent in duplicate to you) and also of this letter, to the other members of the Executive, in order to inform them of what I have done in the matter.

With kind regards,

I am,

Yours very sincerely,

(Signed) HENRY T. HODGKIN.

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for information.

Attached to Hodgkin's letter

2nd Sept, 1914

Technical College,
Chengtu, West China.

June 30th, 1914.

To the Secretaries and Members
of the Board of Governors
of the West China Union University.

Gentlemen,

Having been informed that the Senate of the West China Union University is applying to you for a man for the Department of Geology and Mineralogy, and having been advised by the Senate to make application for the same, I hereby beg to make application for the position, submitting the following considerations:

I. I am a graduate with honours, in Mining Engineering, of the year 1912, of the School of Mining, Queen's University, Canada, and had the honour of being Valedictorian for my year in Science.

(The Course, as may be seen, covers the following among other subjects: Mining, Metallurgy, Ore Dressing, Mineralogy, Geology, Surveying, and such minor subjects as Electrical, Mechanical and Structural Engineering, Hydraulics, Mathematics, etc.)

II. Before leaving Canada I had about four years' practical experience, as shown in the following extract from the School Directory:

"Summer '06, prospecting in the Lake Abitibi district; '07 with the Silver Queen and Nipissing Mines, Cobalt Ontario; '09 Summer, prospecting and development work in the Montreal River and Gowganda district; Summer '10 Canadian Copper Company, at Creighton Mine; Summer '11, with Nipissing Mines Cobalt, doing experimental work on the reduction of high grade ores, and construction of high grade mill; Summer '12 also with Nipissing mines; '13 to present with Szechwan Technical College, Chengtu."

III. I have now been in China since January, 1913, holding the position of Professor of Mining Engineering, in the Szechwan Technical College, Chengtu.

IV. As to further qualifications and character, I would beg to submit the following references:-

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Dr. T.E.E. Shore, Toronto: Dr. D.M. Gordon, Principal
Queen's University, Kingston, Canada: Prof. J.C. Gwillam, and
Prof. M.B. Baker, School of Mining, Kingston, Can.

Salary. In making my application, (as I am here upon the
field and fairly well acquainted with the teachers in the
Union University) I understand that the salary connected with
such a position would probably be that obtaining in the Can-
adian Methodist or other of the Missions by which I might
be appointed. This I would be willing to receive, with the
understanding that I will also receive the usual consider-
ation as to house, travel, medical attendance, furlough, etc.,
obtaining in the missions.

Language Study. As teacher in the Chinese Government
School I have not had the opportunity for the study of the
Chinese language as required by the Union University, and
would, should my application be accepted, request that one
year be given me free for language study. During that time
I might, if need be, take a class or two in geology.

Incidentally I may add that I am by denomination a
Presbyterian, my father having been for some years a mission-
ary for the Presbyterian Church in Western Canada. My wife
is a graduate in Mathematics of Iowa State College, and was,
previous to our marriage, head of the M.E.M. Girls' College,
Chengtu.

I am, of course, under contract with the Government for
the balance of this year, 1914, and, should the Board of Gov-
ernors not see their way clear to make my appointment begin
with January, 1915, I can, I feel sure, continue my relations
with the Chinese Government for that year also. But in that
case I would wish to be assured that the Board would make my
appointment to begin with January, 1918.

I will be happy to furnish any further information you
may request, either directly to your body or through the
Union University Senate.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) J.A.T. ROBERTSON.

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15, Devonshire Street,
Bishopsgate, London, E.C.
2nd September, 1914.

J.A.T. Robertson, Esq., B.Sc.,
Technical College,
Chengtu,
West China.

Dear Sir,

I have to acknowledge your letter of the 30th June, written to Dr. Endicott and myself, as Secretaries of the Board of Governors of the West China Union University. You will, perhaps, have heard already that the meeting of the Board of Governors has been postponed on account of the war. It will be difficult for us, therefore, to deal with your letter as promptly as we could otherwise have done. It is possible that the Executive Committee may be able to deal with it; but that Committee met very recently in order to determine as to whether or not the meeting of the Board of Governors should be held, and at that time transacted the absolutely necessary business: so that I do not suppose that it will meet again just yet. In addition to that, the Chairman of the Board of Governors, the Rev. J.F. Goucher, D.D., has made his plans for leaving America and visiting China, and, no doubt, the Executive would feel some hesitation in dealing with the important question raised by your letter in his absence. This visit may, however, be useful from another point of view, because it will bring you into personal touch with Dr. Goucher and enable him to report to the Board of Governors as to his conversation with you. I am afraid that, owing to these unfortunate circumstances, there is bound to be considerable delay in your receiving any definite answer: but it is hopeful that your conversation with Dr. Goucher may help you to make your plans, even although a definite decision cannot be reached.

I am,
Yours very sincerely,
(Signed) HENRY T. HODGKIN.

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15, Devonshire Street,
Bishopsgate, London, E.C.
2nd September, 1914.

Mornay Williams, Esq.,
27, Cedar Street,
NEW YORK CITY.

Dear Mr. Williams,

I enclose herewith copies of letters received from Mr. Rowntree. I should be glad if you could obtain the views of the Executive Committee in reference to the matter, which it seems important should be decided at once. I enclose also Mr. Rowntree's plans, which make the situation clear, and a copy of the Minute of the Senate on the subject. You will see from the plans and from his letter that he has included a possible site for the C.M.S. College, which would make the whole lay-out, as between the Colleges and the University, more symmetrical. This suggestion, of course, is not submitted to the Executive for discussion now, and is not to be taken as pledging him or us to any action in the event of the C.M.S. reaching a definite decision as to the building of a College. I understand from him that the piece of property which is marked for the C.M.S. has not actually been acquired by the Senate as yet; but the section immediately to the south of it, which would, under this lay-out, be used for the Medical College, has been acquired, so that the Medical College could at once be proceeded with if we agreed to some such plan as this.

The point which must be decided at once is, however, the main question raised in his letter, and this really is the only point on which I would request that the Executive Committee reach a decision, namely as to whether the axis of the University buildings be moved or not. My own feeling, after reading the correspondence, is that there is not sufficient reason for the considerable additional expenditure which would be involved if we altered the axis as proposed by the Senate. If it meant carrying the road right through as a main road it might be worth considering; but it is clear that Mr. Rowntree cannot accept the proposition; and I cannot see any particular advantage which would come from carrying the road through simply as a small pathway. In fact personally I do not see quite what advantage would come from carrying a road through in this direction at all, even if the new gate in the city is made.

Senate meeting at F. Rowntree's R. 10/10/14
has decided to carry the road through the buildings
to the new gate in the city
and to build the Medical College on the site
marked in the plans

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My rather strong feeling is that, if we appoint a man to give us expert views on points of this kind, it is far better to take his advice and follow it right along than to keep on deciding as between him and the Senate. It seems to me that his judgment as to what would look best in the final lay-out of the University is of more value than that of the Senate, even although they are on the spot. I believe that the Minute of the Senate was not unanimous: but, of course, this is a point that should not weigh with us since they have passed a definite Minute and sent it.

I should be glad if the Executive would also consider the question raised in Mr. Rowntree's other letter with regard to funds.

I am forwarding copies of the whole of this correspondence to Dr. Goucher, Dr. Endicott, and Dr. Barbour. I have not sent a copy to Mr. Wood. Perhaps you would kindly communicate with him if you do not consider it necessary to call a meeting of the Executive for the purpose. I understand that Dr. Goucher is leaving San Francisco on the 26th inst., and probably it would be difficult to get him to come to a meeting before he leaves. I hope, however, that he will communicate his views to you before he sails.

I am,
Yours very sincerely,

(Signed) HENRY T. HODGKIN.

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2nd September 1914

No. 11 Hammersmith Terrace,
London, W.

August 26th, 1914.

WEST CHINA UNION UNIVERSITY.

Executive Committee of the Board of Governors,
per Dr. H.T.Hodgkin,
15, Devonshire Street, London, E.C.

Gentlemen,

In accordance with your instructions received when I attended your meeting in New York in July of last year, I have now prepared plans of the Administration Building, the Education Secretary's House and the Building Superintendent's House, and, so far as the two Houses are concerned, almost the whole of the detail drawings are in Mr. Ricker's hands. A large number of the detail drawings of the Administration Building have also been sent. I should be glad, therefore, to know if you feel able to authorize a payment on account of my fees for, say, £150. You will remember that my fees were to be estimated on a basis of 3% at 7d. per cubic foot. In my letter to Mr. Williams of October, 1913, I stated the cost of the Administration Block on this basis to be £10,619. Omitting one wing the cost was £6,986. The approved plans of the two Houses on the same basis were estimated to cost £1,569. 12. 1. & £1737. 1. 0. respectively, as stated in my letter of Jan.5th, 1914, to Dr. Endicott. The payment I am now asking for is slightly less than 1½% on the cost of these buildings, including only that portion of the Administration Building which has been authorized. It does not include any fee on account of the Middle School Building nor the Bird's Eye View of Grounds, etc. which have been prepared according to instructions. I think therefore you will agree that the sum I am asking is well within the amount to which I am entitled.

Yours faithfully,

(Signed) FRED. ROWNTREE.

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WEST CHINA UNION UNIVERSITY.

Executive Committee of the Board of Governors
per Dr. H.T.Hodgkin,
15, Devonshire Street, London, E.C.

Gentlemen,

On July 10th I received from Mr. P.M.Bayne, Secretary to the Senate, a letter dated May 29th enclosing copy of Minute 205 of their Senate Meeting of April 23rd, 1914, regarding the Lay Out of the University Site and Buildings. I had already (some 3 weeks earlier) received a copy of this Minute from Dr. Hodgkin, and on June 25th wrote him regarding the points raised by that Minute. Dr. Hodgkin felt that the matter could hardly be dealt with until the meeting of the Board of Governors in England in September, and I therefore wrote to Mr. Bayne mentioning this and telling him that it was a matter which I could not deal with except on the authority of the Board. As this meeting has now been cancelled, and as the matter is one of great urgency, I should be glad if it might have your immediate consideration.

On October 16th, 1913, I sent Mr. Mornay Williams a tentative Plan of the Lay Out of the Ground in duplicate (Cla & Cib). When later I received your instructions to proceed with the Administration Block and the two Houses, I sent a copy of the Lay Out to Mr. Ricker on January 8th, 1914, so that he might know the exact location of these three buildings. After Mr. Ricker's arrival at Chengtu in March he found that the survey of the land near the Creek (which was roughly made some years ago by him, and which I was not allowed to survey at my visit as the ground was not then purchased) was not correct, and the Houses could not be built where indicated. The Senate instructed Mr. Ricker to send me a corrected survey, which, unfortunately, did not reach me until July 17th. I promptly returned him a plan showing the position that Houses A & B should occupy, and these are shown on accompanying tracing C:No. 1h. I have left space for a roadway between Mr. Robertson's house and

Handwritten notes:
A.P.H. Ricker found error in
Mr. Robertson's survey of area
which was not allowed to survey
at my visit

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House A so that access across the Creek can be obtained at this point if desired, and also the ditch and footpath at present traversing the site of House A can be diverted into this suggested road. It will be noticed that I have also indicated another roadway crossing the Creek on the central axis of the University Campus, running north and south. The modification in the position of these Houses from that shown on the original Lay Out has the very great advantage of enabling a road to run east and west between these Houses and the C.M.M. property giving a balance and dignity to the general Lay Out. Mr. Ricker has my instructions to go forward with the Houses as shown on this Lay Out.

I am also glad to be able to report that the Administration Block is being built exactly where shown on the Lay Out, as the difficulty about the graves has been overcome, and, therefore, paragraph 7 of Minute 205 need not be discussed. The important matter requiring the decision of the Board is that involved in paragraphs 2, 3 & 4 of Minute 205. The whole point at issue is as to the desirability of continuing the North & South Road between the F.F.M.A. and M.E.M. properties, southwards across the Central University Plot. The reasons the Senate give for this are two: (1) They think it probable that another gate will be opened in the City wall between the South & East Gates, and in that event this North & South Road would become a main approach to the University. (2) The placing of the Library Building where it is shown in relation to the N. & S. road appears to the Senate to isolate, to a certain extent, the M.E.M. Lay Out.

So far as I am aware, the N. & S. road between the F.F.M.A. and M.E.M. properties was decided on and developed when it was understood that the extension of this road southwards would also form the east boundary of the Central University Plot. At the time of the competition, however, this Central Plot had been extended eastwards by something like 100 feet, and our competition plan showed the central plot 1100 feet long from east to west, and was so arranged that the line of the N. & S. road could be extended through that plot. When I was in Chengtu last Spring we laid out the Central Plot in accordance with the Competition plan, and very quickly discovered that the central axis, instead of being 550 feet from the west boundary, must be a minimum of 696 feet. This was approved unanimously by the members of the Senate on the Field at that time, and the effect of this was to increase the Central Plot from 1100 feet to 1392 feet in length, as shown on the Lay Out sent to Mr. Williams on October 16th, 1913. I carefully plotted the buildings on the Central Plot to these revised

measurements when I was at Chengtu, and pointed out that this would prevent the N. & S. road being extended across the University Plot. I am aware that this caused disappointment to some members of the Senate, though personally I could not see that it was of material consequence. The Senate then felt that the Central Plot must not be extended still further east, as it was already large enough. The recommendation they now make involves the moving of the Central Axis 36 feet 3 inches eastwards, or a total extension of 72 feet 6 inches; as whatever happens the Central Plot must be the main architectural feature, and must have a perfectly balanced lay out. If that extension were made, it would involve an additional purchase of about 4800 square yards in the Central Plot, and I think it would be equally essential to widen the site to the south of the Central Plot by a similar extension of 72 feet 6 inches, which would involve the purchase of something over a total of 3 English acres beyond what is shown on the existing Lay Out. The effect of this is shown on the accompanying Lay Out C: No.1j.

I may at once say that I have no adverse criticism to offer to this proposal providing the Board of Governors do not consider the additional purchase unnecessary or unwise, and providing that, if the line of the N. & S. road is extended, that it is only extended as a pathway across the Central Plot, balancing the pathway at the west side of the Assembly Hall and not as a roadway 32 feet wide giving the slightest suggestion of dividing up the Central Plot or destroying its symmetry and unity. In other words, I am perfectly certain that, from the architectural point of view, the road must appear to stop at the north of the Central Plot even if the line of footpath is carried through. Any compromise on this point would, I feel, be impossible. On the other hand, the Bird's Eye View (which was prepared on the lines of the original Lay Out) shows how I proposed this road would finish with a gateway near the Library Building, and personally it seems to me to be quite satisfactory. I do not think there is a great deal of point in the criticism that the M.E.M. buildings will be at all isolated. In reality I feel sure this is not the case, and the site of the most important College Building of each of the participating Societies leaves nothing to be desired.

The matter is particularly urgent, because the F.F.M.A. wish to commence their College Buildings immediately, and their exact position depends on the Central Axis. I have already told Mr. Ricker I hope to cable after your meeting in September either "keep axis" or "move axis", according as the Board decides. I

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hope therefore to receive your instructions as early as possible, so that the work may proceed.

Please note on the ~~alternative Lay Outs~~ I am sending you the positions of the buildings south of the Central Plot are only tentative and not meant for detailed criticism. They are, however, somewhat on the lines suggested by the Bird's Eye View. As I understand, there is a probability that the C.M.S. may participate I have suggested reserving them a small site at the SE of the Central Plot for their main College Building. Any further land which they may require should be to the East of this. The Medical College would be moved further south, but would be in a very good position. Incidentally, it would come on land already purchased, which would be an advantage if this building is urgently required.

I am enclosing a plan of the survey of the Land (C:No.4a) to the same scale as the Lay Out which will be useful in considering what work can be proceeded with.

As we have not complete copies of these Lay Out Plans, I should be glad if you would return them to me, and I would let you have any further copies you may need.

Yours faithfully,

(Signed) FRED. ROWNTREE.

*2 plans C. M. S. of ...
2 Mr. R. ...*

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Attached to Hodgkins
letter Sept. 2, 1914

Chengtu, April 23rd, 1914.

SENATE.

Copy of Minute 205.

REPORT OF THE BUILDING AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE.

The Building and Grounds Committee reported as follows.

The Building and Grounds Committee presented a report which was amended and adopted as follows.

Re layout of University Buildings.

(1) Inasmuch as there is already adequate accommodation in the city in connection with the hospitals of the various Missions, and further inasmuch as the suggested location on account of its proximity to the University residences is not a suitable one, therefore be resolved that we recommend to the Senate that the buildings at the rear of the proposed Medical College be omitted from the plan of layout.

(2) To recommend that the North and South road be extended to the East and West road.

(3) That the Library Building be placed east of the extended North and South road.

(4) That the Assembly Hall be placed on the axis midway between the Library and Administration Buildings and north of the East and West road.

(5) That two teaching buildings be placed on the central plot north of the East and West road.

(6) Embodying the above recommendations, we recommend to the Senate some such layout as herewith submitted.

(7) Inasmuch as adequate permanent accommodation is our urgent need in view of the crisis and opportunity now before us in West China, and inasmuch as the layout for the University and College buildings has not yet been fully determined,

Resolved that we ask Mr. F. Rowntree, in order that buildings may be begun at the earliest possible date, to permit of the location of the Administration block not more than

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thirty-one feet east of the site suggested in the layout if graves at present not bought cannot be obtained at the latest by October 1st. (Note. We are almost certain that these graves can be purchased.)

Resolved to adopt this report.

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9th March, 1916.

Rev. Frank M. North, D.D.,
Board of Foreign Missions of the
Methodist Episcopal Church,
150, Fifth Avenue,
New York City, U.S.A.



Dear Sir,

As Dr. Hodgkin is just now very closely pressed with many matters he has asked me to write to you on his behalf, in reply to your letter of the 21st January last.

From the statement and the explanatory documents sent herewith you will have no difficulty, I think, in understanding how the amount of the accompanying draft for £438. 7. 5. is arrived at. The one point that may not be clear is the rate adopted for translating our contribution of \$1900 into sterling. The purpose of Dr. Hodgkin's suggestion that we should remit direct to China was, as you know, to avoid excessive loss on exchange into American dollars. There seemed no better way of carrying out your suggestion of sending the draft through you, than to make such draft payable, in sterling, to the Hong Kong & Shanghai Banking Corporation, Shanghai, so that the Bank on receipt of the draft from you, could credit the University account with its amount at the then current rate of exchange at Shanghai. We took $4/1\frac{1}{2}$ as being the normal average value of the American dollar in England prior to the outbreak of war. We do not of course, desire to be at any advantage at the expense of the University funds, and if the plan we are adopting does not seem to work out equitably, Dr. Hodgkin will be glad to know, in due time.

I am,

Yours faithfully,

Signat

P. W. Rutter

Assistant Secretary.

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grams: "ENHEARTEN, AVE., LONDON."
Telephone: 9379 CENTRAL.

15, DEVONSHIRE STREET, BISHOPSGATE,
LONDON, E.C.

6th March, 1916.

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Board of Governors, West China Union University



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15, Devonshire Street,
Bishopsgate,
London, E.C.
18th December, 1916.

George Vaux, Jr.,
Gulph Road,
Bryn Mawr,
Penna.

Dear Friend,

I was glad to receive thy letter telling me of the appointment made at the meeting at Toronto, and of thy acceptance of the same.

The remittance of \$2,000 covers the period included in the Budget passed by the Board of Governors at the meeting before last. It should, of course, have been sent earlier; but our financial position has made it difficult to meet all our obligations in time. I am hoping very soon, however, to be able to remit the further sum called for by the Budget passed at the Toronto meeting this year.

I hope that Dr. North will soon send thee the Treasurer's books and papers, and that there will not be much difficulty in picking up the threads. I should strongly urge thy entering into correspondence with R.H. Davidson, the Treasurer of the Senate. He is a member of our Mission, and is the son of one of our most trusted missionaries, and the nephew of A.W. Davidson, who visited America some six or seven years ago. He is a chartered accountant, and has put the financial affairs of the Senate on to a much more satisfactory basis than they were. His letters dealing with various matters should be amongst the papers which Dr. North sends to thee.

There are also actions taken by the Board of Governors, and covered by various Minutes, relative to the functions and method of action of the Treasurer of the University, which thee should see. No doubt the Secretary of the Board in America will have drawn thy attention to these Minutes.

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I may just note one or two points which, it seems to me, were in danger of being lost sight of under the old régime.

1. The Treasurer did not report as to how far the Budget had been actually followed during the year. This, no doubt, is partly due to the long time taken in correspondence, and the fact that the returns for the financial year may not be complete at the time of the Meeting of the Board of Governors, and, perhaps, to different periods covered by the financial years of the Board of Governors and the Senate. The Board of Governors ought, however, it seems to me, to have submitted to it, at its Annual Meeting, some clear statement as to how it stands in relation to the Budget passed either by the previous meeting or the one before. We have hitherto voted each Budget simply on its own merits, and have not had any clear statement showing what balance remains over in the field after the close of the financial year, and how far the Budget has been adhered to in practice. I think that comparative statistics of this kind are absolutely necessary if we are to fulfil our responsibilities on the financial side.

In connection with this, I may remark that, at the last meeting of the Board of Governors that I attended (in 1915), we had not received the full amounts required from one or two of the Missions, and there was no clear way of showing whether these amounts had or had not been received. It was only by careful examination of the figures, with this in mind, that one discovered that, in one or two cases, the Missions had fallen badly into arrears, the working expenses of the Senate being, I suppose, met either out of capital funds or by economies on the amount budgetted for. There was no way, however, of showing whether there were, in point of fact, such economies or not. If, at the end of the year, the Senate shows a balance as compared with the Budget, this balance ought to be taken into account in the preparation of the Budget for the year following. This was not done on the last occasion of our meeting: and I question whether it could be done with the returns in the form in which we had them. That, I think, should be adjusted between the Treasurer of the Senate and the Treasurer of the Board of Governors, and a method should be adopted which would show the financial position of the University more accurately.

2. I think that there has been a certain amount of confusion in reference to payments at home on behalf of the Senate. A certain proportion of the Senate's Budget covers amounts which have to be spent in England or America -- for example, on account of scientific apparatus, books for library, etc. This means that the Treasurer cannot send out to the Senate the whole

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of the amount budgetted for by the Senate, but must retain a certain proportion in order to meet expenses at this end. I think that the Senate Budget should clearly show what amounts are required for payment in the field; but this differentiation has not, I think, in all cases, been made. In regard to the proportion of the Senate's Budget and the additional items entered on the Annual Budget by the Board of Governors for payment in England or America, we can, of course, keep an adequate check in our own books. In reference to the proportion of the Budget expended on the field, we are entirely dependent upon the Senate; and there should, of course, every year, be some balance, as a Budget must obviously allow a margin over and above what is actually expended. We have now agreed that no money shall be paid by the Secretary of a particular Missionary Society on account of the Board of Governors, without authorization from the Treasurer of the Board; and this ought to be perfectly clear, so that the Treasurer shall not be suddenly sprung upon in regard to payments -- for example, for books ordered by the Senate through the Secretary of a co-operating Missionary Society.

These are the only points that I think of at present. I hope that correspondence with Dr. North and with the Treasurer of the Senate will clear up any matters that are in doubt in thy mind. It would, of course, be much more easy to talk to thee on the subject than to write.

May I say how much I appreciate thy willingness to serve the Board of Governors in this capacity, and how much I hope that the service may prove one of satisfaction to thyself, as well as to us.

With kind regards,

I am,

Thy sincere friend,

Aug. Hodgkin

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299 Queen Street West
Toronto, March 29, 1917

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

My dear Dr. Hodgkin:-

In the closing paragraph of your letter of February 27th you raise the question whether possibly any correspondence has been lost in transit, owing to the sinking of mail steamers. I therefore give you herewith the dates of the letters which I have written to you and of those which I have received from you during the last few months:-

Dates of letters
rec'd from you

Sept. 15, 1916

Dec. 14, 1916

Feb. 19, 1917

" 27, 1917

Dates of letters
written to you

Oct. 26, 1916

Nov. 8, 1916

Dec. 30, 1916

Jan. 18, 1917

" 24, 1917

Mar. 20, 1917

Mar. 29, 1917

Dealing with your letter of February 27th, I think I am in fairly complete agreement with your view "that estimates for the cost of buildings ought to include, in addition to the actual cost of construction, the proportion due on account of the services of the Superintendent of Construction and the Architect's fees," and that it would be even still better "if in addition to that we can also include in the cost of the entire building, the equipment necessary for it." I also think that it should be possible for Mr. Ricker "to give a pretty fair idea of the cost of buildings on the strength of the first plans."

I do not think that I have anything to add now to the question of the Architect's future relation to the Board of Governors and to the Senate, beyond what I wrote in a previous letter; but it is clearly a question which must engage the very serious attention of the Board of Governors during the next year or two. There will be ample time for us to get the views alike of the members of the Board of Governors and of the men on the field before the time comes for the Board of Governors to make a fresh agreement with the Architect.

As to whether it be advisable that Mr. Rowntree be present at our next meeting of our Board of Governors, I am not at all clear. As you will have learned on receipt of the minutes of the Executive meeting of March 7th, the Executive Committee decided in favor of holding our next Board meeting in Boston on September 18th and 19th. I do not anticipate that another Executive Committee meeting will be held for some months. I shall therefore take up the question directly in correspondence with the members of the Executive Committee, unless the Chairman of the committee considers it necessary to call

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a special meeting to consider this matter. If not, we shall ask for an expression of opinion by correspondence as to whether or not it is deemed advisable to follow your suggestion and invite Mr. Rowntree to be present at our next meeting in Boston.

My own opinion is that inasmuch as we took up so much of the time of the Board at our last meeting with the question of the relation of the Architect and the Superintendent of Construction to the Senate and the Board of Governors, and in view of the fact that special provisions were adopted at our last meeting, looking to the more effective and harmonious carrying out of the building plans of the Board of Governors, and in view of the fact that Mr. Ricker will only have been working under the new regulations for a very few months when the Board meets, it will be better for us to wait for a year before taking up the question again. In any event, a decision reached in 1917 will not be considered necessarily final in 1918; whereas, whatever arrangements are made at the Board meeting in 1918 will presumably be final at least for a number of years.

In addition to the reasons which I have given in favor of delay in inviting Mr. Rowntree to be present at the Board of Governors meeting, I would add that if the war continues, there is strong probability that we shall not have anything like a full meeting of our Board of Governors. Possibly by the Autumn of 1918, as we sincerely hope and pray, conditions in Europe will be so changed for the better that our meeting may be held that year in England. This ought to make more certain that the fullest weight will be given to the English point of view with respect to the Architect's duties and relations.

In the latter part of your letter you raise the question of the character and type of architecture followed in the various buildings which have been, and are being erected by the various co-operating Boards on their own sites in connection with the University. Speaking with respect to the buildings of our own Mission, I was not aware that any objection had been taken, or could be taken with respect to the architectural style of any of our buildings. I shall greatly regret if it be found that our Mission Council, intentionally or unintentionally, have introduced a style which really conflicts with the plans followed in the University buildings proper. I may say, however, that in our own Board, it has not been the custom hitherto for us to adopt at home specific plans for the buildings authorized on the field. We have left almost wholly the preparation of plans with the men on the field.

With respect to the College buildings, to which you refer, the plans for this building were prepared before Mr. Rowntree's plans for the University buildings had been adopted; but when his plans were adopted by the Board of Governors, the plans of our College building were submitted to Mr. Rowntree for such suggested modifications as seemed advisable to him. I have been taking it for granted that his suggestions have been followed. However, I consider the question raised by you to be one of such importance that I shall take the matter up directly with the field, asking for information and urging that every

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care be taken to secure complete harmony in our buildings with those of the University proper. It will be in order, of course, for the Board of Governors itself to make representations on this question directly to the various co-operating Boards,

With kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

James Endicott

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Henry Harris,
Home Secretary, of
Friends Foreign Mission Ass'n.,
15, Devonshire Street,
London, E.C. 2.,
England.



Dear Friend:

Thy letter of the 18th of September with remittance was duly received and I am now enclosing receipt as requested.

Whilst there are different methods involved for the sake of convenience in connection with the relation between the University and Friends' Foreign Mission Association, I am wondering whether it will not be possible in the future to adopt the same system which under the of the Board of Governors at its meeting held in 1916 has been adopted with each of the three American constituent bodies. This is that all remittances for the Budget assessments are to be paid to the Treasurer in full. The Treasurer refunding to the constituent societies any sums which they may have paid out on account of the University and which are owing by the Board of Governors to such constituent society. If such a method can be carried out it would very much simplify the duties of the Treasurer here. I appreciate the difficulties growing out of the great distance by which you are separated from us in this country, but at the same time if we can reduce all of these matters to a business basis it will greatly simplify many of the details.

When I became Treasurer a year ago I found matters in connection with the accounting here in a somewhat chaotic condition. Dr. Barber who had been Treasurer was not a bookkeeper or much of a business man. Under these circumstances his accounts were in such condition that it was very difficult to find out a great deal from them. I have recently had a through examination made by a firm of public accountants, their report to me appears to indicate that the budget for 1915 amounting to \$1900. does not appear on the book of the treasurer of Board of Governors as having been paid by Friends Foreign Mission. My impression was that some payments were made by you directly in England or rather from England and this possibly may

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account for nothing appearing on the Treasurer's books here on the subject. As it stands you are charged with these \$1900., and there is no credit whatever against that charge. May I ask that thee will furnish me with any explanation which your books may show in this amount as I am anxious naturally to get ~~reconciled~~ up. As indicated above I beleive it has been paid in some form though of this I have no record whatever.

With kind regards and with sympathy for all of you in England in the present trying time, I am

Sincerely thine,

Treasurer.

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10, December, 1917.

George Vaux, Jr.,
Bryn Mawr,
Penna. U.S.A.

TRANSFER

Dear Friend,

I am much obliged for thy letter of the 8th November, acknowledging mine of the 18th September, and enclosing receipts for the draft sent therewith.

There should, I think, be no difficulty in falling in with the wishes of the Board of Governors as regards the payment of our assessments in full, leaving our counter charges to be settled separately. Indeed, this can now be effected the better by the fact that we are establishing a financial agency in the States, William E. Cadbury, (as thou may have heard), having kindly undertaken to act as agent for us, with an office at 20, South Twelfth Street, Philadelphia. It is our intention to get him to pay thee the amount of our assessment, in future, and, per contra, the amount of our counter charges against the Board could be paid to him. W.E. Cadbury will disburse only upon directions from this end in each case: so that the new arrangement will not mean that the Board will have to apply to him, instead of to us.

As regards the payment of our assessment for 1915 - 16, I enclose a copy of the statement sent to Dr North with the draft for £438. 7. 5, balance shown by the statement, also a copy of the letter from our accountant, Philip H. Butler, which accompanied these documents. Dr North had urged that the draft should be passed through his hands, in order that the figures might be put through both sides of the account at his end. We hold Dr North's acknowledgement, dated 20th April, 1916, of the receipt of the draft. That it duly reached China you will see by referring to the printed statement of R. Huntley Davidson, dated 5th July, 1916, in which he acknowledges it as a remittance from the Board. This allocation of it, as shown on his statement, has not, of course, been based on any instructions from us, but no doubt it has been arranged with some one at your end.

With kind regards and many thanks for thy sympathy with us in this present trying time,

Believe me,

Thine sincerely,

Hy. Harris

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17th May, 1918.

George Vaux, Jr.,
Bryn Mawr,
Pennsylvania.



TRANSFER

Dear Friend,

I am writing on behalf of Dr. Hodgkin to enclose cheque for \$2500, being the amount of the Assessment in respect of the Chengtu University expenses for the year 1917-18. I shall be glad if you will kindly let me have receipt on the enclosed form, in due course.

Referring to your letter to Henry Harris of 11th August last, I hope that you have now been able to satisfactorily clear up the question of our Assessment for the year 1915-16. If you have not already written to Henry Harris about it, I should appreciate a line in due course to say that everything is clear. As you know, Henry Harris is leaving our Staff.

Yours sincerely,

P. H. Butler
Assistant Secretary.

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October 28th 1918

George Vaux, Junr.
Bryn Mawr
Penn, U.S.A.

TRANSFER

Dear Friend,

I was sorry to hear from James Wood that my letter informing him of the appointment by the F.F.M.A. Board of himself, yourself and Rufus Jones as representatives to the Board of Governors was not received until after the meeting of the Board had adjourned. Of course as far as you and he were concerned you attended in any case and I do not think it really mattered. I daresay also Rufus Jones could not have attended in any case,

I have now received from James Wood some account of what took place at the meeting of the Board of Governors, but I have not yet received the Minutes. I am writing to you because I notice that among the items under the heading "uncollected pledges" there is one under building from the F.F.M.A. for 12,500 dollars. I suppose this item was the one referred to in the 166th Minute of the Board of Governors with reference to the immediate building requirements of the University. When the matter came before us early in the war, viz, in April 1916, we passed a Minute pointing out that it would not be possible for us at once to make any such contribution, but empowering the Committee which was concerned with the raising of a Jubilee Fund for the F.F.M.A. to include this note in the statement of needs in all our fields. As a matter of fact the Jubilee Fund has been very much under-subscribed, only about one-fifth of the total having been received. This means that we shall probably not be able in the near future to make any such grant. In any case I think it can hardly be regarded as a pledge since our Board has never definitely accepted the responsibility for forwarding this quota, though anxious if possible to play our part on the same basis as other Boards. I have also a note to the effect that 2,914 dollars and 61 cents have been contributed in personal gifts from the F.F.M.A. and that this amount should be regarded as standing against the 12,500 dollars. I think this was agreed to by the Board of Governors or its Executive. This would mean that even if the whole amount were to be regarded as a pledge, it would still stand as 10,000 rather than the full amount given in the Statement. I should be glad if these two particulars could be corrected in any future statement which is made so that in the first place it may be

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clear that no actual pledge has been given, and in the second place that the sum of money stated has been paid and is set against the full amount which was called for by the Board of Governors. I hope this may be quite clear.

Our financial position I am afraid is not likely very materially to improve in the near future. The very large cost of exchange, which continues to be very unfavourable, makes a tremendous call upon us at this time and is extremely difficult to meet. I am getting out shortly a review of the first ten years of the University which will, I hope, be the means of securing some further gifts for the University Fund. The first call on this will be the building of our own College, which is not yet begun, and for this we have very little money in hand, but if we can get that sum of money subscribed, we ought to be able to get something further towards the common fund,

With kind regards

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Yours sincerely,

Henry Hodgkin

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11 No. 26th, 1918.

Henry T. Hodgkin,
15 Devonshire St.
Bishopsgate,
London, E. C.

Dear friend:

Thy letter dated 10th September, 1918, was not received by me till some time after the meeting of the Board of Governors, so that it was impossible to present to the Board the minute which thee sent to me. James Wood and I were in attendance, as was Isaac Sharpless. R. M. Jones was not present. I believe that James Wood has written already to thee fully as to what went on. So far I think Dr. Endicott has not sent out the minutes as he has been much occupied with other matters.

I now have thy letter of 28th ult. and note thy comments as to certain statements in the Treasurer's summaries. I don't think there is any misunderstanding on this side of the water as to the position of F. F. M. A. and the finances of the University. Unfortunately the Treasurer's accounts have not been well kept, and the first thing I had to do was to try to find some sort of a starting point. This involved going over a large number of minutes, loose papers, Treasurer's memoranda and cash book, etc. The cash book was accompanied by no ledger of any sort, and the entries in it were so brief that the C. P. A. who did the work for me found it very difficult to get anywhere. As a result we made up a balance sheet which is very probably not absolutely accurate, but which is the best that we could do with the material available.

One of the conditions which had to be met was to keep track of the various sums voted from time to time for annual budgets, for land and buildings, etc. as well as amounts promised as gifts but not immediately paid in. To include all such an account has been opened in the ledger called "Uncollected Pledges". In this all such items are entered immediately when the Treasurer is advised of them. It was necessary to go back to the beginning of the University, so far as the matter was at hand to get a starting point for this account. As a result I discovered that some years ago the Board of Governors requested each of the four constituent Societies to contribute the sum of \$12,500 to a fund for land and buildings. I do not know that any of them ever actually bound themselves legally to make these payments but certainly the three Societies here have viewed it as an obligation to be met at their own reasonable convenience. Considerable payments have been made on account of this sum.

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On looking over the former Treasurer's book I now locate this entry:

1914 Jan. 19 Dr. Hodgkin, contributions in England. \$2914.61

This was credited to general contributions and not to a payment on account of the \$12,500 item above referred to. I now understand from thy letter that this was a mistake. I think thee will see however how the error occurred, as there have been a good many other donations from time to time that were not part of the Land and Building fund and which appear on the books in much the same way. I shall make this correction so soon as I hear from thee confirming the correctness of what I now write. There has been expressed more than once in meetings of the Board of Governors the keenest sympathy with Friends in England in the recent troublous times and there is not the slightest criticism of them. The true feeling is disclosed by the recent action of the other three Societies in agreeing to defray the cost of the site for the Middle School, in view of the fact that the funds for the building had been provided by a Philadelphia Friend, without calling on Friends in England for any part of the amount necessary.

I trust that this explanation may make matters clear and satisfactory to thee and to F. E. M. A. I shall thank thee for any other suggestions which thee may find the time to give me.

With high regard,

Faithfully thine,

Treasurer.

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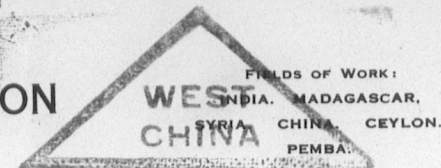
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22nd January, 1919.

George Vaux, Jr.,
Bryn Mawr,
Penna, U.S.A.

Dear Friend,

Your letter dated the 26th November reached me about a month ago. I am sorry that it has not hitherto been answered.

I was very glad to hear a little about the meeting of the Board of Governors, and have now received the Minutes, and a letter from the Secretary in reference thereto. We are taking up the various matters arising out of the Minutes, including, of course, the financial questions. I have just been preparing a booklet -- a brief review of the ten years' work of the University -- containing a number of very attractive pictures of the buildings and students. I believe that this booklet will be a great help to us in raising special funds for the University, and much hope that it may be possible, within a comparatively short space of time, for us to do something towards meeting the further demands made upon us by the Board of Governors.

In reading your letter, I came to very much sympathy with you over the difficult problems which you had to face in taking up the work of Treasurer, and fully realized how impossible it was for you, coming newly to the work, to appreciate the various different arrangements which had been arrived at, some of them in correspondence with the late Treasurer, and some through Minutes, or even through verbal correspondence. I have somewhere a letter from Dr. Barbour, in which he told me that the amount of nearly three thousand dollars, which was contributed from England, would be regarded as on account of the amount due from the F.F.M.A. It was raised through personal solicitation of a number of Friends in this country, and might just as well have been actually paid through the F.F.M.A. exchequer, as in each case those who gave were supporters of the F.F.M.A., and members of the Society of Friends.

I very much appreciate the attitude which the other Societies have taken, and their sympathy with Friends in England

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during the most difficult times which we have had during the last few years. I am thankful to say that we closed last year practically meeting our obligations. Our Board had, at the beginning of the year, felt it right to make certain allocations from our Reserve Funds, and with these we expect just to balance the year's working. For the current year we are having to make a considerable further appeal to Friends for an amount of \$6,000, and that appeal will be going out in the near future. When it is over, and we see a little how things stand, we ought to be in a better position to make special approaches to Friends and others in regard to the work of the West China Union University.

I hope that you will have had satisfactory correspondence with R.H. Davidson, and that the accounts of the Senate and the Board of Governors have been agreed, in regard to the various points where there were differences. This also will, I am afraid, have been a most intricate matter, as the accounts of the Senate were not at all well kept in the early days, and it was not until R.H. Davidson took hold of the matter that things really seemed to me to be dealt with in a thoroughly businesslike way. Of course it is pretty complicated, especially as the different Missions handle their financial affairs in such various ways.

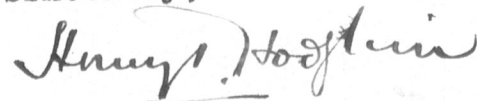
I will send you a copy of the booklet on the West China Union University as soon as I have it ready: in fact, I think that I will send you a few copies of it, so that you may be able to hand them on to some of the Friends in Philadelphia and elsewhere who may be interested in the University. Although, of course, it is written primarily from the point of view of English readers and English Friends, I think that there is nothing in it but what would be quite suitable for at any rate Friends in America. I shall send a few copies also to the Secretary of the Board of Governors.

It has been a disappointment to us that Rufus Jones has not been able to come to this country before going back to America. I had counted much on having a good long talk with him about many things of common interest, and especially about the development of Friends' work, and the work of the Fellowship of Reconciliation. However, it seems now quite impossible for him to come, and one must just give it up, with great regret.

With kind regards, and much appreciation of all that you are doing for the University,

I am,

Yours very sincerely,

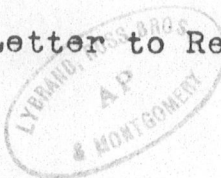


Copy for Geo. Vaux Jr.



Extract of Letter to Rev. J. Endicott, D.D.

22nd March, 1921.



Dear Dr. Endicott,

TRANSFER

I have just written to Dr. Beech, informing him that our Board has been compelled by financial stringency to pass the following clause in a minute dealing with the general work of the Association:-

"The recommendations with reference to the West China Union University, that we should agree to contribute not exceeding 2,500 dollars (gold) in 1922, and thereafter not exceeding £500 per annum, are approved."

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SECRETARY:
~~HENRY T. SILCOCK~~
HARRY T. SILCOCK, M.A.
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TRANSFER
 19th May, 1921.

George Vaux, Jnr.,
 Gulph Road,
 Bryn Mawr,
 Penna., U.S.A.

Dear Friend,

I am sending you herewith a draft for \$11,000 Gold. This is made up of the grant of \$6,000 towards the Budget for 1921, as requested by Minute 409 of the Meeting of the Board of Governors, 1st & 2nd July, 1920, and \$5,000 towards the purchase of land for the University.

You will see from Minute 432 of the Meeting of the Board of Governors last year that the representatives of the F.F.M.A. had to inform the Board that, in the present state of their finances, they were unable to make any grant for land. Since that time, I am happy to say, we have seen our way to make a grant of \$5,000. I understand that this releases at any rate \$5,000 from each of the other three Boards for the same purpose.

You will see that the \$6,000 towards the Budget for 1921 is to be lessened by anything granted by the C.M.S. They have told us that they cannot give more than £200, but have promised to send the £200 direct to us here.

In case there is anything in connection with these two amounts which is not quite clear, I shall be happy to give you further information, either by letter or at the meeting of the Board itself at the end of next month in New York.

Sincerely yours,

Harry T. Silcock.



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June 9, 1921.

Geo. Vaux Jr.,
Bryn Mawr, Pa.

Dear Friend,

I have received a letter from Dr. Beech dated Apr. 2 in which he says "We have purchased graves for \$2000 + have no cash to pay. Another tract including the wedge on the former Yang estate is now offered us. From \$10,000 to \$20,000 ought to be on hand at once. Can you therefore send to the treasurer . . . the \$5000 your Board agreed to + wire us to draw on him or send direct to the field? The latter ^{method} may save a little in exchange otherwise "I would not suggest it"

I wrote you a few weeks ago sending our draft for this \$5000 + I understand that it is therefore possible now to let Dr Beech have the \$20,000 required. If there is any hitch perhaps we can settle the matter when the Executive + Board meet.

I am just preparing to sail next week, but want you to have this matter before you at the earliest possible moment.

If you wish to get in touch with me before the meeting of the Executive please address me c/o L. Hollingsworth Wood, 20 Nassau St., New York.

Sincerely yours
Harry T. Silcock.

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See 2 to Beech - 7/12/22



The Manor House,
Northfield.

England.

TRANSFER

11th. July 1922.

Dear Mr. Vaux,

I am enclosing draft for 22,265 dollars, equivalent to £5,000 English money, which I am troubling you to send towards the erection of a college at Chengtu for the training of teachers for Chinese Schools. The future of the religion of China largely depends on whether the children in the Chinese Schools are taught the simplicity of the gospel of Jesus Christ. If the Churches had been content to teach what He taught there could have been no war, neither would there be the uneven distribution of the comforts of life which we see today in the Christian countries - enormous wealth on the one hand and cruel poverty on the other, yet the simple teaching of Jesus Christ was that "love is the fulfilling of the law".

We were much impressed with Dr. Beech when he was travelling round in this country; I am enclosing copy of my letter to him.

Yours sincerely,

George Cadbury

Enclosures.

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WEST CHINA
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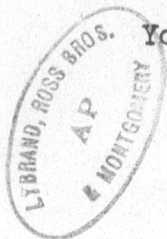
25th. July 1922.

Dear Mr. Vaux,

I hope you received my letter of July 11th.,
enclosing draft for 22,265 dollars, towards the
erection of a college at Chengtu for the
training of teachers.

I now enclose the second draft.

Yours sincerely,



George Cadbury

Enclosure.

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Telephone: Malvern 421.

WEST
CHINA
Winds Point,
British Camp,
Malvern.

August 22nd, 1922.

TRANSFER

Dear Friend,

Thanks for thy letter. I have felt very thankful that so many of our friends in America do realise the magnificent opportunity in China.

We must expect much unsettlement in a country where the ideals of hundreds of years are being exchanged for modern ones, and we can but earnestly pray that this great nation may lay hold of the simple teaching of Jesus Christ. At present there is no Christian nation. We have ignored His teaching as to love being the fulfilling of the law, and though rejoicing in the League of Nations we cannot but fear - looking at the past - that progress will be exceedingly slow, and without strenuous effort we shall be going backward and not forward.

My nephew Barrow Cadbury with his wife and two daughters, also my cousin John H. Barlow, are coming to America. May much blessing rest on their visit.

Thy sincere friend,

George Cadbury

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LONDON, N.W.1.

19 April 1926.

Rev. J.M. Yard,
Board of Foreign Missions,
Methodist Episcopal Church,
150, Fifth Avenue, New York City.

Dear Sir,

H.T. Silcock has asked me to send on to you a list of people interested in the West China Union University who would be glad to receive any literature you are circulating from time to time. We have asked the C.M.S. to compile such a list, but as this has not yet come to hand I think I had better send on the enclosed without further delay.

Yours truly,
M. Green

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25/3/26.

List of people interested in the West China Union University.

Albert J. Crosfield, 5, Madingley Rd. Cambridge.
Mrs. K.W. Jones, 14, St. Bede's Terrace, Sunderland.
Charles Warner, Jnr., 55, Highfield South, Rock Ferry, Birkenhead.
Mrs. W. Dent Priestman, 1, Garden Village, Hull.
John Nickalls, Friends House, Euston Rd., London. N.W.1.
J. Edmund Clark, 41, Downs Court Road, Purley, Surrey.
E. Roy Calvert, 41, Victoria Rd. Chingford, E.4.
Mrs Patrick Graham, 28, Rosslyn Hill, Hampstead, London, N.W.3.
Miss E.A.H. Burn, 14, The Park, Golders Green, London, N.W.11
Fred Rowntree, 11, Hammersmith Terrace, W.6
Miss H.M. Newman, The Vista, Leominster.
Charles E. Jacob, Enderley, Dalkey, Co. Dublin.
Mrs. Charles B. Lamb, Sandymount, Richhill, Ireland.
Robert A. Penney, Highcroft, Dyke Rd. Brighton.
Miss Wilhemine Marsh, The Roseries, Englishcombe, Bath.
Walter C. Goodbody, Woodhay, Ivybridge, S. Devon.
Miss S.E. Rowntree, 6, South Mount Terrace, York.
William E. Wilson, Woodbrooke, Selly Oak, Birmingham.
Herbert G. Wood, " " "
Mrs. Durrant, 8, Fox Hill Close, Selly Oak, Birmingham
Douglas G. Maynard, 10, Weoley Hill, Selly Oak, Birmingham
Margaret S. Impey, Webbsfield, Barnt Green, Birmingham
Richard H. Smith, 26, Cowl Street, Evesham
Miss C.L. Braithwaite, 2. West Bar, Banbury, Oxon.
Thomas A. Twyman, 5 Lydgate Rd. Coventry
Miss Edith Fowler, Haxeldene, Hucclecote, Nr. Gloucester
Philip F. Burt, Woodthorpe, Kirkwick Avenue, Harpenden
Lady Margaret Booth, 10, Ormonde Gate, S.W.
Hubert W. Peet, Far and Near Press Bureau, Edinburgh House, 2, Eaton Gate, London, S.W.1.
Sir Michael Sadler, Masters Lodgings, University College, Oxford
The Rt. Rev. Bishop of Peterborough, The Palace, Peterborough.
Archibald Rose, Church Manor, Bishops Stortford, Essex
Sir Arthur E. Shipley, Masters Lodge, Christ's College, Cambridge
J.T. Pratt, 62, Chelsea Park Gardens, S.W.3.
Professor B. Ifor Evans, University College, Southampton
Professor P.M. Roxby, School of Geography, 10, Abercromby Sq., Liverpool
Bertram Hawker, National Union of Students, 3, Endsleigh St. W.C.1. London
~~Helesoledeksen~~, Annandale, North End Rd. N.W.11.
James O. Dobson,
H.T. Silcock, Friends House, Euston R. N.W.1. 5 Copies of anything that
is sent out.

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May 10, 1926

Mr. H. T. Silcock
Friends House
Euston Road
London, N.W.1
England.

Dear Harry:

The list of people interested in the University has arrived and I thank you very much indeed. I shall hope to get some literature ready soon and will send something to them from time to time. I have been able to make some valuable contacts during the last month and hope in time to produce an income for the University.

Sincerely yours,

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LONDON, N.W.1.

October 29th 1926.

Rev. J.M. Yard,
West China Union University Office,
150, Fifth Avenue, New York.

Dear Jim,

Thank you very much for your note sending a quotation from C.T. Song's letter. I have just received the report of the Board of Governors though I have not yet had time to read it, and I suppose the minutes will be coming in very shortly. I gather from the report that Anderson has taken Endicott's place as Secretary of the Board.

With warm good wishes to you all,

Sincerely yours,

P.P. H.T. Silcock
MLP.

Dictated but not personally signed
because of absence from the office.

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