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Letter to J.A.Ewing, K.C. Nov. 24th, 1926

re Quebec Church Property Commission headed
by Sir Arthur Currie on the division
of property between Presbyterians continuing
and those joining the union.

"My only fear was that the University might suffer from criticisms which people would direct at me because of the findings of the Commission. The replenishment of our exchequer depends entirely on the good will of benefactors, the great majority of whom live in Montreal.

"For myself, I do not much care, but I am human enough to like to feel that I have, at least the respect of people. For popularity as such I do not care. The main thing is always to feel that you have done nothing with which you can reproach yourself.

"I assure you I appreciate very much your writing this letter and also what you said this evening."

How much more then, would he care for the good name and goodwill of the University suffering by the Cobourg trial if it went against him. This was the real worry of that trial.

His motto was, he said, "Thine own reproach alone do fear."