October 25th, 1933

My dear Dr. Graves,

Let me acknowledge your letter of October 20th and give you the assurance that I shall at once write to Alfred Emanuel Smith, well-known by reputation to everyone in this country, and greatly admired by many.

I cannot help but notice that I am rapidly becoming one of the most senior of those who hold the unique honour of being one of the honorary doctors of laws of the University of the State of New York. It was a matter of great regret to me that I was unable to be present when Dr. Smith received his degree.

Ever yours faithfully,

Principal.

Dr. Frank Pierrepont Graves, The University of the State of New York, Albany, N.Y.