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Sir Arthur Currie, G. C. M. G., K. C. B., L. L. D., Principal, McGill University, Montreal, P.Q., Canada.

Dear Sir:-

I have the honor to acknowledge and thank you for your kind letter of February 10th, and am very pleased to note that you will receive a copy of the Tripitaka on behalf of the University Library, and that it will be valuable as a reference book to students engaged in the study of religion, and to those working on Oriental subjects.

I am sure this kind acceptance on your part will give great satisfaction to His Majesty the King, and to His Siamese Majesty's Government, and I am forwarding a copy of your letter to His Royal Highness the Minister for Foreign Affairs, together with the request that a copy of the Tripitaka be sent, care of yourself, so as to be handed over to the University.

I beg to thank you, also, for kindly giving me the names of three other Universities in the Province of Quebec, to which I have written, and I am glad to say that I have already had acceptances from Laval University, and Bishop's College.

I am also writing to His Royal Highness the Minister for Foreign Affairs, and requesting that a second copy of the Tripitaka be sent care of yourself, for your kind acceptance, as a personal gift to yourself, quite apart from the copy which is to be presentated the University, and which, on behalf of His Siamese Majesty's Government, I would ask you to accept.

In my report to His Royal Highness the Minister for Foreign Affairs, I had pleasure in pointing out that while possibly the study of the Pali Scriptures had not been your especial activity in life, that you had nevertheless a most distinguished career, and pointed out how much the Dominion of Canada was indebted to yourself, not only as the principal of one of Canada's greatest Universities, but as the brilliant leader of the Canadian army. I trust, therefore, that you will kindly accept a personal copy as a mark of special esteem.

Further, I feel sure, and I am sure that