

April 22nd, 1927.

Original letter from Mr.
Kipling, dated September 14th,
1926, in Library.

Rudyard Kipling, Esq.,
Bateman's, Burwash,
Sussex, England.

Dear Mr. Kipling:-

I have a confession and a most
abject apology to make.

The other day when speaking to
the Electrical Club of Montreal I quoted some lines
from McAndrew's hymn. The thought then came to me
that last Fall I had received a letter from you in
which you offered to present to McGill University
a bound volume of your manuscript. Upon returning
to my office I asked if the manuscript had ever
arrived and found that it had not. I then looked
through our files to see what our correspondence had
been and found there no reference. I remembered
thinking that I would ask you to deliver the manu-
script to the Bank of Montreal in London who would
see to its transfer to us here. The General Manager
of the Bank remembers that I spoke to him about it,
but they have no correspondence on file, neither
have we any record of having written the Bank con-
cerning this matter.

I cannot tell you how greatly
perturbed we all were, feeling that you would regard
our silence as most casual and rude. I was greatly
surprised at not finding your letter to me, for I
thought the matter had been disposed of. We searched