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President
McGill University
Toronto, Canada

Dear Sir:

We are seeking some information relative to the late British poet, Rudyard Kipling. Will you kindly advise us if he ever received a degree from McGill University and if not what was the occasion of him addressing the students of this college late in December, 1907, portion of which address appears in the December 28, 1907 issue of The New York Times literary section.

If you can relay this letter to someone in your institution who is familiar with the life of Kipling, we should like to inquire why he left America with his American wife and chose to live in England instead of Vermont where he found his wife?

Why was he never named poet laureate of England?

Would you say he was rather Democratic than aristocratic in his attitude in views of life?

We are preparing a monogram shortly to be published and fail to find the matters above inquired about in the Encyclopedia Britannica or other works dealing with Kipling. We wonder if there would be anyone still living who remembers the occasion of the above mentioned address and would the address be available in complete form and does it appear in any of the works of Kipling? Thanking you, we are,

Yours very truly,

Hal W. Trovillion

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