August 17, 1953.

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My dear Swabey,

I acknowledge your letter of August 14th. We propose to take up the acceptance of the Commerce degree with the Council of the Bar. I must tell you frankly that there is likely to be some delay as the Bar will doubtless have to consider the case of kindred institutions and it is a question in my mind whether it will be possible to have an amendment to the Bar Act passed this session. In any case it would not be sanctioned before next year, which would be too late for you.

Under these conditions I am informed that you would probably require a private act in any case to cover your admission to study before the amendment of the general Act. I advise you, therefore, to proceed with your private petition concurrently with our taking steps.

May I say that I entirely agree with your last paragraph and these grounds will be made the principal ones in our application for the acceptance of the Commence degree.

Yours faithfully.

Principal