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Dear Mrs. Kipling,

You will, I trust, forgive me for intruding upon you on the occasion of your great bereavement. I should feel, however, that I had omitted a duty if I did not write and express to you the sense of loss which has come to this University through the death of Mr. Kipling whom we are proud to claim as one of the most distinguished on a distinguished roll of honorary graduates.

The University was very grateful to Mr. Kipling when he enriched the literary treasures of our Library by presenting his manuscript of Traffics and Discoveries. It will be prized through the centuries as one of the rich literary heirlooms in the possession of the University.

I think that you would be gratified to see the laudatory and indeed affectionate notices which are filling the Canadian papers at this time. The post of Empire has a very warm place in the heart of his "Lady of the Snows."