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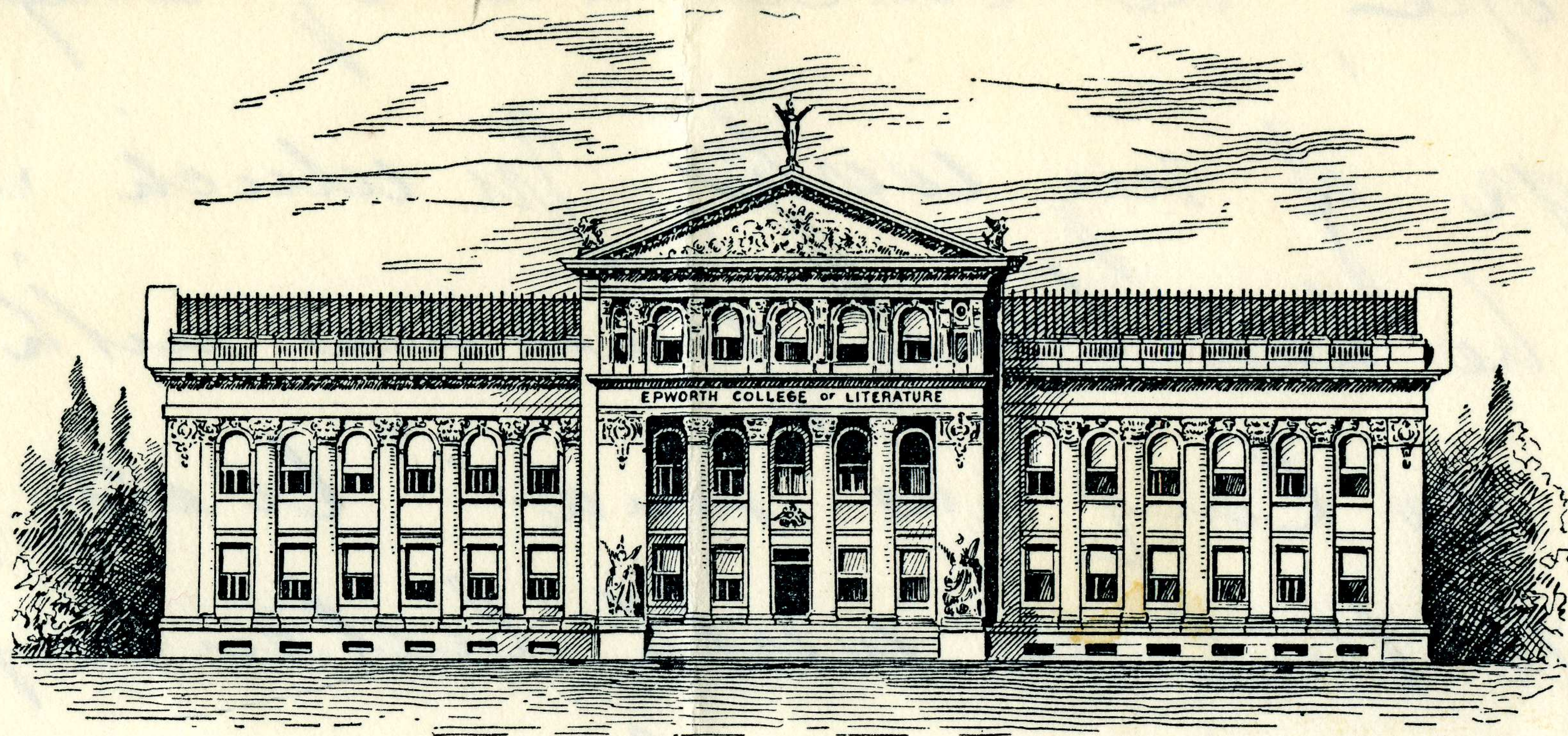
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Bishop John F. Hurst

My Dear Bishop

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I went to see Mr Andrus yesterday afternoon according to arrangement & we had a very long & very satisfactory discussion concerning all the recent developments & plans for the University. I had an opportunity to thoroughly explain our reasons for going on with the buildings, gave him an outline of the encouraging sentiments of our friends in all parts of the country & told him of the promises they were making. Gave him a full account of the Trustee Meeting, what the President & Vice President had said of my visits to Illinois, Minn, New England, Philadelphia & other places & what Bishop McCabe, Bishop Fox, Dr Buckley & many others had said. After fully an hour of this, in which he manifested great interest & made me feel by all he said that he had undergone a considerable change from discouragement

to hope, he concluded by saying many complimentary things of my work, in which I thanked him & said he had been generous with his time to listen to me so long he said "Well you have got something to tell that is worth listening to." "I had no idea things were looking as bright" & other things of that sort. Then I said to him "Well I want you to stand by me & back me up in what I do & help the Bishop & the rest of us to create sentiment & do something so as to let the people know that we are alive & that the University is sure to be built, we have friends in every direction but our enemies have done dastardly work & we ought not to give encouragement to them in any manner by any indication of lack of interest on our part." He then promised to stand by us & say good things so as to encourage the work &c.

I did not deem it advisable after such a good time with him to ask him to pay us \$2500 then. He might probably will do much more than that & I thought it best to work in his influence at this time & his money will come later.

Will you please send word what is best to do next in the case of McWesson. Please return to me Bro. Robinson's letter I sent to you through Dr. Davidson.

Very truly yours
Anna C. Gutteridge