

ASHMOLEAN MUSEUM,
OXFORD.

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My dear Macmillan

Many thanks for your
letter. I am glad you have
given that he has consented
to become a Member of the Com-
mittee. With regards to the Cu-
ltural Law on Antiquities Hogarth
& I made certain suggestions
+ a copy of the Project of Law

was sent him & that from
 since by Prince George which
 he has returned to the United
 States he thought desirable. It
 was to have been proclaimed
 most of our & may be to force
 before our new Council General at
 once. I am extremely pleased
 that he is so much interested
 in the matter & will write to
 him.

With regard to the
 Expedition Fund it seems to me
 a most prudent means of helping

on the School. My own intention, which I think
was fully understood by the Committee of the
School & the Council of the Hellenic Society is this.

It is now some years since I thought of setting
up a fund for the special purpose of carrying out
the immediate purpose of digging the site of Ke.
phela at Knossos of which I had become a great
proponent. Subsequently I thought it much better
to draw up a scheme on a broader basis &
in association with the School of which I am

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myself an Associate. The u.
sub's q. years of exploration were
incorporated in the selection of sites
for British enterprise & I did
my best to stir the Committee &
Council to common action. By starting
a Fund under my own direction
I was able to take to place I
might fairly claim in regard to Can-
ada Exploration, side by side with
the Director of the School. You would
not yourself expect that I should
ever be able to take any other than a co-
ordinate position in the matter.
& I always wished to direct some
part of the execution myself. But

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it was my belief that in making
myself Associate of British School
I knew to a certain extent its mean-
ing over any work I might under-
take in the Greek lands & that
such would be future from a Con-
tribution, such as it was, to the
sum of the School's activities -
In asking Hogarth as Director
of the School to become Associate
Director of the Fund - I gave a proof
of absolute solidarity with the
School interests. Of course at that
time I did not know that his

Power of office as Director
 of the School was so limited.
 But it seems to me to be ob-
 vious that the future working
 of the Fund as regards at any
 rate all other sites worked by
 the official representation of the
 School must be subject to
 the arrangements made by the
 School Committee & the Director
 at the time being.

I think that the position
 of the School in the matter is
 fully recognized by Prince George
 & that Hagarth has in all his

dealings with him acted simply
as official representative of the
X School while assuming for my-
self a Co-ordinating position.

My own belief is that with
a little tact we shall steer clear
of any rocks ahead & I doubt
the policy of raising too many hy-
pothetical & contingent questions.

For my own part I am strenu-
ously desirous of making the Fund
a lever for the interests of the
British School

Please tell me if any
thing I have said seems to you

unsatisfactory or obscure. As
the Italians say: petti chiari
Amici Cari!

Yours ever
Arthur J. Evans.