

April 4th, 1930.

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M o n t r e a l .

Dear Mr. Lindsay,

Let me acknowledge your letter of April first. Let me add that I have just been talking with a deputation of women, who came to see me with reference to the same project. They were anxious for me to support a campaign to be launched immediately, to raise funds for a large hall to be used for concerts and other kindred purposes.

I told them that McGill was intensely interested in such a project and had repeatedly shown that interest by its willingness to give a site on which such a hall might be built; but that the Governors of the University would not at the present time look with favour upon any campaign to raise such a large amount for such a purpose. In their opinion, the McGill campaign must come first. It is ten years since the last campaign, and the condition of the University at that time was such that the money raised was used up either in buildings or endowment in a couple of years. So that for the past seven or eight years, the University has had no additional revenue and has been steadily going into debt. The time has, therefore, come when something must be done. The University has stood aside on two or three occasions to make way for campaigns for other purposes, but it cannot wait any longer.

It has been suggested, of course, that this project of the large hall be included in the campaign, and I think that suggestion is worthy of very earnest consideration.

I hope you are keeping well,
and with all good wishes,

I am,
Ever yours faithfully,

Principal.