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June 26th. 1931.

Sir William Currie,
Vice-chancellor, McGill University,
Montreal, Canada,

Dear Mr. Currie: I wish to commend what you had to say, as commencement speaker at Union College, Schenectady, N.Y.

I have given considerable thought and study to the weakness of our public school system, and believe it should be broadened to include spiritual, thrift and economic training, which I would have compulsory.

I am enclosing you an article I wrote for the Michigan Tradesman last year. It attracted considerable attention. I have received many fine endorsements for spiritual training in our public schools from eminent educators. Just recently received a splendid letter from Mr. Robt. M. Hutchins, president of the University of Chicago, also another from Prof. Corliss Lamont, of Columbia University of New York.

I am planning a movement to back up a broader educational law for this state. Will have a bill drafted and presented to our legislature at its next session. We have got to put more humanitarianism in business. We have been neglecting spiritual training and we have a youth crime problem. We cannot cure our present economic ills unless we develop more the spiritual side of life.

Very truly yours,

E. B. Stebbins