

DEPARTMENT OF SOLDIERS' CIVIL RE-ESTABLISHMENT

IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO FILE NO.

Ste. Anne's Hospital. Ste. Anne de Bellevue. September 28th, 1923.

Mr. Wilfrid Bovey. Principal and Vice-Chancellor, McGill University. MONTREAL - P.Q.

Dear Wilfrid:-

In reply to your letter of September 26th. The attached letter is from a patient named James Addison, No. 177316, who was admitted to this Hospital 29/6/23 after having spent three years in the Verdun Hospital. His letter, after dealing with his services, is a complaint against Verdun, and also against Dr. Porteous, whom he does not consider should be allowed to have anything to do with returned heroes. Dr. Porteous is one of our Consultant Psychiatrists.

At the present time Addison is a well marked case of Paranoid D.P. He knows that some person has power over his brain, also he is actively hallucinated, through invisible rays, voices come to him. He is under constant observation and states this power has given him practically no sleep for the past three years. His brain is magnetized and the power to do things taken away. In a vague way he thinks this influence is connected with the Admiralty, because of the phrases which the voices use.

He is on parole in the Hospital, and has been carrying on satisfactorily, although it is not thought he will ever be able to take his place in civil life again.

Yours truly,

Ste. Annes Hospital.