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My dear Sir Robert:-

In a recent issue of 'Varsity' appears a rather long report of an address which Dr. Silberstein delivered to a body of Varsity students. In it he reflects somewhat severely on McGill. I was surprised to see the report and cannot think its publication either good neighbourliness or good journalism.

You will note Silberstein makes reflections on Chicago as well as McGill. May not the reason for that attack lie in the fact that he is now engaged in a quarrel with the Physics Department of Chicago because the press has not given him credit for some results obtained by that Department, and in the case of McGill because we did not accept him when he applied for the Chair of Mathematics on the death of Dr. Harkness. It would be a pity if the good relations between Toronto and McGill were interrupted in the slightest degree because Varsity provides a medium for Silberstein's spiteful remarks.

We seem to have some difficulty over arriving at suitable dates for the Universities' conference. The last week in May is not very convenient for McGill men as our Convocation comes on May 29th. I have a wire from Ling this morning asking me if the first week in June would be better.