

a position for myself. My experiences on The Memorial Fund campaign showed me the necessity of raising capital systematically year by year, supplemented by a campaign from time to time; and also the difficulty of keeping our graduate activity alive without direct University effort. But I cheerfully admit that like any other question where individual thought is exercised, the personality of the thinker becomes identified with it, and I believe it is a work I could do.

In your letter of March 29th you state that you have discussed informally such an official, and that in the not too distant future you may light on the right man. This has prompted me to tell you of my own plans as having a possible bearing on the situation. As I have stated, I may make a change later on although I have a permanency where I am, with all that it means. Two or three definite possibilities are developing, along the lines I mentioned. On the other hand, if there is a real work to be done in McGill; and if it be as big as I think it is, a man must be found, and perhaps I am that man.

As you see I am writing you very frankly, risking a charge of self interest, which, honestly, I do not feel. It will take time for you to solve such a problem; and, so far as I am concerned, it should be solved deliberately. Perhaps later on we may be able to talk the matter over. Meanwhile you can keep it in mind if you care to. I will appreciate your keeping in confidence my plans, although it will be quite all right to bring up my name among your associates if you think I might be a possibility.

Please do not hesitate to be frank about whether you think I might suit. Anyway here is something to think over during the summer.

With kind regards, I am,

Yours faithfully

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