

September 20, 1926.

Hon. Mr. Justice R.A.E. Greenshields,
Judges' Chambers,
Court House, Montreal.

My dear Judge:-

I was most interested to receive your letter of September 15th and with it the letter of the Reverend Dr. Bussell.

I am only sorry that at present there seems to be no way in which we can utilize the services of a man of such distinction. Unfortunately our University arrangements are such that responsibility for imparting general culture must be borne by the heads of our regular departments. I have no doubt that there would be much to be gained from having a number of men of the type of Dr. Bussell with whom the undergraduate and the graduate student might come into contact and from whom they could not but gain much good. However, as matters stand, I very greatly fear that we have nothing compatible with his attainments to offer Dr. Bussell, while from the financial point of view it would be impossible for us to give ourselves the privilege of having him here.

I note that in the postscript of his letter Dr. Bussell speaks of the publication of four works and suggests that this University might in some way aid in their publication. This too, I deeply regret to say, is impossible. We have not the advantage of a press and we are unable at present to do what we feel we should do to help in the publication of works by our own staff.

I am sorry that I cannot be of more encouragement, the more so because I feel that this University has reason to appreciate the desire of such a man as Dr. Bussell to be connected with it, but I am sure that both he and you would prefer me to place our situation quite frankly before you.

Yours faithfully,