

December 22, 1931.

Mrs. Margaret Taylor,
515 Roslyn Avenue,
Westmount.

Dear Mrs. Taylor,

I am this morning in receipt of your letter of December 21st with the clipping enclosed.

You ask me to give the matter my attention. I really don't know what to do. If a professor of McGill chooses to have a joke about beer and backbone, I don't think that I would bother about it very much. Furthermore, we have nearly 175 lecturers in Medicine and it is rather too much to ask that I should enquire of all these men whether they really said what is reported in this paper, The Montrealer. I am afraid I cannot undertake it. Then, too, it is a scientific fact that there is a certain food value in beer, although, like so many other things, it should be taken with great moderation. You will agree with me that that remark applies to a great many other so-called foods. As a matter, of fact, I never drink it myself.

Yours faithfully,

Principal