

July 13th, 1923.

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My dear Mrs. McWilliams:-

Let me acknowledge receipt of your letter of July 3rd. I would have answered it before this, but I have been away from the city.

I greatly fear that my views upon the questions you have raised will be considered uninteresting and somewhat oldfashioned by such a formidable body as the Federation of University Women in Canada. I am not altogether convinced that the courses furnished by any of the universities in Canada form the ideal course for a woman's education. However, if her life is to be a professional one such courses are probably good enough to furnish the basis on which to build the professional education.

I think one of the reasons why the majority of women in professional life are to be found in the teaching profession is because that is one of the few professions open to her. Personally, I am in favour of opening all professions to women, but even if that is done I think the teaching profession will always claim about the same proportion as it does now. I think another reason is that the teaching profession does not make the same demands on a woman's physical strength as most other professions do.