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academic foundation is sound. Any one who is weak academically, that is, who has not a thorough grounding in those sciences, the knowledge of which is a necessity, would be a poor choice. Furthermore, if our graduates in Dentistry are to be leaders in the profession they must come under the influence and guidance of teachers who, themselves, are leaders. We must be careful in our full-time appointments to see to it that they thoroughly appreciate the lines along which we intend to develop.

I hope the Faculty will most earnestly take all these things into consideration when making recommendations for appointments. It would be a very poor policy indeed on the part of the University to appoint as full-time teachers men who are not mentally well-equipped, or men who by virtue of academic qualifications, or lack of experience or lack of promise would not measure up to the high standard we ought to set.

Let me repeat that I do not underestimate the value of the work already done by the Faculty of Dentistry, but I am very anxious that from the members of that Faculty shall come men adequately equipped to do the work above indicated and with a vision which will enable them to make, if necessary, some sacrifice for the common good of humanity.

Yours faithfully,

Principal.