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Toronto, 2. April 12th, 1927

Sir Arthur Currie, Principal, McGill University Montreal, Quebec.

Dear Sir Arthur:

Would it be convenient for you to see Dr. W. T. B. Mitchell and me next week ? I could go to Montreal any day after Tuesday.

I was in consultation with the Montreal Mental Hygiene group yesterday and Dr. Mitchell expressed a keen desire to talk over certain matters with you concerning our programme of work, particularly as it affects the Protestant schools. I told him that I would attempt to make an appointment with you.

If we get an opportunity to give service to the Montreal schools and to conduct systematic studies of certain types of nervous children, we will be contributing to the advancement of the Mental Hugiene Movement in Canada, and, at the same time, mental medicine will be given an impetus at McGill.

By seeing Dr. Mitchell, you can give him needed encouragement. At the moment he perhaps feels that he is playing somewhat of a lone hand. The work he is doing is worthy of the utmost support and, if you find it in your heart to give him your blessing and to indicate that McGill is desirous of fostering the Mental Hygiene Movement, much will be gained.

Before Dr. Martin left, it was tentatively decided upon your approval to give Dr. David Slight an opportunity for a year to show his fitness as a teacher of psychiatry in the Medical School. Dr. Mitchell was naturally disappointed because he had hoped to continue to give lectures in psychiatry and to eventually advance to a position of psychiatric leadership. It was however, pointed out to Mitchell that he could satisfy reasonable ambitions by devoting himself entirely to Mental Hygiene and that McGill would offer opportunities.