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Dear Mr. Childs:-

After more than a month's absence from Montreal, I returned to the city last Friday morning, since which time I have been extremely busy with campaign matters. It was only to-day that I found time to answer your letter of November 3rd.

I am very sorry, indeed, that in the pamphlet entitled "McGill and Science" there has been an omission which gives cause for criticism. I am quite sure that the oversight in not mentioning Dr. Bovey's name was unintentional. I should greatly regret if an error of this sort should cause any of our Science graduates to withhold from McGill any support they are able to give, and of which the University is so badly in need.

As you know mistakes will from time to time occur. McGill is five generations old and, doubtless, has made many mistakes. She will likely survive for many more generations and will make mistakes in the future. The only thing she must try to do is not to make the same mistake twice. When one surveys the path of progress and usefulness trod by the University and attempts to visualize how that path will extend through countless ages in the future, one realizes that those of us who live to-day are but incidents and it will give us more satisfaction to be put down amongst those who helped, than otherwise.