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Thank you for letting me see Sutherland's letter, copy of which I have taken the liberty of making and retaining.

It is true that at the last meeting of the Protestant Committee I stated that the subject of Physical Geography could not at present be accepted by McGill for matriculation. My reasons were three, and as follows:-

- a) McGill does not regard Physical Geography as the equivalent of the Physics and Chemistry, imperfectly taught as these are.
- b) The subject is not continued for study in the University.
- c) I cannot believe that it would be taught any better in the High Schools than are Physics and Chemistry even under present conditions. In fact, I cannot see how it could be taught as well.

Those who are training for teachers of High Schools would not take the subject during their University careers and therefore could not be expected to have much more knowledge of it than was theirs when they matriculated. We believe, and we try hard to make others believe, that the first