

May 21st, 1923.

On Saturday, May 19th had lunch at the Mount Royal Club with the Hon. Mr. Taschereau and Mr. Walter Mitchell. We discussed at considerable length the increased matriculation requirements as set up by the Quebec Dental Council and as discussed by other professional bodies. Mr. Taschereau was keenly interested in the matter and Mr. Mitchell forcibly placed before him the belief that the degree granted by Quebec Classical Colleges was not an equivalent of the B.A. degree of McGill. I pointed out that were the decision of the Dental Council to prevail it would make the dental profession more than ever a closed corporation, and that in future it would be limited to the sons of rich men and most likely only to French-Canadians.

Mr. Taschereau was very sympathetic and said that I could rest assured of one thing and that is he would not tolerate any unfairness to the English-speaking minority. He gave it as his belief that it was unnecessary to ask a man to have B.A. qualifications before entering a School of Dentistry. He and Mr. Mitchell were that afternoon to see the Secretary of the Dental Council and Mr. Mitchell was to let me know the result of that interview, together with any suggestions as to future action, Mr. Taschereau having intimated that he would do whatever the Universities advised even to the extent of passing legislation curtailing the powers of the Dental Council.