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My dear Mr. Coulborn,

I am grateful for your letter of October 20th, in which you express your sympathy with us at McGill in the loss of Professor Waugh. It is indeed a most unfortunate loss. Oftentimes, when such things occur, the only consolation one has is that it provides an opportunity for bettering the staff; but in this case we have no hope of finding anyone who is likely to make a better leader of our History Department.

Waugh was universally acknowledged as a great scholar and a great teacher, besides which he has made many notable contributions to History. He had begun to build up a very nice Honours Class, and we joined in his enthusiastic hopes for its future. He was very popular with his colleagues and with the students, while I found in him a very valuable adviser. One knew that he had a fund of common sense, and one always felt he advised in a most unselfish way.

Mrs. Waugh, too, is very popular; in fact I do not think we had in the University a more popular couple. They will be very greatly missed indeed.

I remember you when you graduated some five or six years ago, and I hope all goes well with you.

With every good wish,

I am,

Ever yours faithfully,

Principal.