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Let me acknowledge your letter of June 5th. It is hard for me to set forth just the type of lecturer I want. In fact, I don't much care whether he is a Historian, a Political Economist, a Physicist or a Philosopher, so long as his lectures are first-class and his personality a stimulating one.

The lecturer, as you know, would live with us for three weeks or a month, and I should like to have one whose presence here would give a decided fillip to University life, one who would inspire and stimulate not only the students but the teachers and the intellectuals of Montreal.

I put the matter up to Lee, and he very strongly recommended your friend Adams. At that time Bishop Barnes had not turned me down and I hoped that he would come, but, as you know, he has now refused.

I am glad you are going to consult Curtis and Jacks. I think as much depends upon the man as upon the subject: ~~if he~~ is capable of saying something worth publication ~~if~~ I had in mind that he would give about eight lectures and that these would deal sufficiently exhaustively with the subject to justify their publication. Without limiting the choice of subject, we widen the field of possible lecturers.