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Private.

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Dear Mr. Sise,

When I spoke to you some time ago of seeking Professor Stanley's advice about text-books, I did not realise that you might wish him publicly to align himself with the Board of Trade - C.M.A. Text-book Committee. I think you can understand that he could hardly do that. For one thing, the University is at present being asked by the Protestant Committee, of which I am a member, to coöperate with them in such matters as curriculum and text-books. Stanley some time ago was asked to sit in with a sub-committee of this body.

To you, privately, I may say that I cordially welcome such evidences of public interest in education as the existence of your committee affords. Executives and committees may be the best in the world, but they still need a solid body of public opinion behind them. Resolutions and suggestions from men of your position can be very helpful. But school text-books are a highly technical subject. I am confident that McGill University contains the best expert opinion on such matters, and should like to see it used where it can be helpful. It was with this thought that I mentioned Stanley to you.

He tells me that Mr. George Henderson has consulted him and promised to send him text-books for examination, though they have not yet reached him. Stanley will be glad to give his candid opinion on these text-books, but, as you will realise from the foregoing, it would be embarrassing the University to ask him to subscribe publicly to your findings.

Ever yours faithfully,