

October 27, 1926.

Dr. F.A. Stevenson,
154, Metcalfe Street,
Montreal.

Dear Dr. Stevenson:-

Permit me to thank you for your letter of October 25th and to say how much I appreciate the interest you manifest in our dental school.

I am very well aware of the part which you have taken in raising the standards of dental training in Montreal and I fully realize that it is largely due to the preliminary work of such men as yourself that we owe the success which our school has had.

I have not entirely made up my mind regarding the future, so that it is difficult for me to give you any definite indication as to what will happen, should Dean Thornton retire from the Dental Faculty. I feel, however, that it is only fair to say at once that if a successor to Dr. Thornton is named, the Governors are likely to approve the appointment of a younger man.

Under our organization, although the Dean of the Faculty is far from an autocrat, the policy of the Faculty depends on him to a large extent, and we feel it necessary to appoint men of an age which will enable them to carry on for some years and thus ensure a reasonable degree of continuity. I am sure that you will not misunderstand my attitude and will appreciate the fact that it is with the desire to be fair to yourself that I am replying at once.

Yours faithfully,

Principal.