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Dear Mr. Rowell,

I have your letter of yesterday in which you extend to me on behalf of the Board of Regents and Senate of Victoria University an invitation to be present on the occasion of the inauguration of a new Chancellor of Victoria University on the evening of January 31st next and to convey the greetings of the universities and colleges of Canada.

I regret that I must answer your letter as I answered that of the Reverend Dr. Pidgeon. I am very sorry indeed that it will not be possible for me to be present and to participate in that most interesting ceremony. Victoria College occupies a high place among Canadian institutions and it is an honour to any of us to be present. It would be a very great honour to speak on such an occasion, and I most sincerely wish that I could be with you. But it is just that sort of thing that I am advised to avoid for the next six months or so.

I shall see that McGill is suitably represented.

With all good wishes,

I am,

Ever yours faithfully,

Hon. N. W. Rowell, K.C.,
34 King St. West,
TORONTO.