

To the HONORABLE G. W. ROSS, LL.D., *Minister of Education.*

SIR :—

IN presenting my application for the Professorship of Latin in University College, a brief reference may be made to my earlier career, though my claims must rest very largely upon the impressions left by my four years' tenure of the Latin Lectureship on my superior in this department, on the other members of the Classical staff in the University and Colleges, and on those who have studied under me.

I graduated in 1881 from the University of Toronto with the Gold Medal in Classics, having been classical scholar throughout my course, and a general proficiency scholar at matriculation. For three years I held the Classical Mastership in the Collegiate Institute, in London, and the same position in Lindsay for five years. For the greater portion of this latter period I was also Classical Examiner in the University.

After two calls from Dr. Meigs, the Principal, I accepted a position in "The Hill School," Pottstown, Pennsylvania, as head of the Latin department. This school prepares for Harvard and Yale, and takes also their first year work. The ground covered there in the higher Latin classes was about equivalent in mere amount to that of our first two years in the University.

There were private reasons which made a return to some position in Ontario very desirable, but in applying for the place I now hold I was actuated by unaffected love of the University, and hoped to find there the opportunity of higher work, for which I had labored many years. My present position as Lecturer in Latin I have now held for four years, delivering at the same