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Dr. Helen Reid,
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Dear Dr. Reid,

This correspondence from Mr. H. G. Timbres is very interesting, but, frankly, I am at something of a loss to know just what you wish to suggest in your own covering letter.

In the Principal's absence nothing of course, can be said about his intentions or interests - especially as at the present moment his views about Indian matters may be undergoing a revolution. When Mr. Williams was here he had a long interview with Sir Arthur and gave him addresses in India and advice. (By the way, I presume when Mr. Williams speaks of the "Chancellor of McGill" he means the Principal).

You speak also of my personal interests in the matter. As you doubtless know, I have long had an admiration for Tagore and his work in India, as well as for his philosophy, and have plainly stated on more than one occasion; but I am in no position at present to speak for anyone but myself. My notion would be that Dr. Timbres would have a better opening through the Society of Friends in Canada than to come following in the wake of Mr. Williams. But I think these matters must be left to your own good judgment.

I am showing the letter to Colonel Bovey, as you suggest, and will send it back to you without delay.

Yours faithfully,