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far below that which prevails at the English Bar, and this shows itself in the inferior character of the work done" must be based largely, if not entirely, upon his daily intercourse with fellow Professors in the Law Faculty of McGill. I am certain of this, because I know who his associates are in the Legal profession.

My first impulse was, to write to Smith. I restrained that impulse lest I should give utterance to something that I might subsequently regret. I do not yet say that I will not do so, but I will be wise enough to sleep over it. I do not ask you to do anything in the matter, except to treat this as a purely personal and confidential communication.

Before Smith left for England, I invited him to luncheon with me, and I showed him a draft of comments on the question of the establishment of the Central School in London, along the lines which I propose to deal with the subject, if I say anything. I discussed it with Smith, and I admit I got some ideas from him, and that was the purpose of the discussion. The other day I asked Stephen Leacock to luncheon with me, for the very same