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B.F. for Monday

Sir Arthur Currie, G.C.M.G.,
Principal, McGill University.

My dear Principal,

I am enclosing a copy of a letter which I have sent today to Dr. Eve relating to a curriculum of studies for the pre-medical students which he sent to me and a copy of which he has probably sent to you. As I say in the letter, the question whether the pre-medical students in the second year should take another subject, such as Latin, English or Philosophy, instead of a second course in Physics with a medical twist, that is Physics 1M, is a question too delicate for anybody to decide with any serious degree of conviction. There are, however, one or two other principles involved that should not be lost sight of.

1. The Faculty of Arts should not be required to give extra Arts courses with a slight professional application. Each extra course given in the Faculty necessarily costs a corresponding amount of extra work and extra expense.

2. The idea which the Medical Faculty had when they made the change in question was that what our pre-medical and pre-professional students generally wanted was not more training in the technique of their professional studies so much as a little more general educational polish. I think that this principle was very well decided by the Medical Faculty, as it is a well-known fact that all our professional men in Canada and on this continent have