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Consequently, would it not be wise to postpone any such action as you propose? Dr. Banting's claims to recognition will not thereby suffer. Indeed hasty action now may prejudice these claims.

Further, I understand the Nobel prizes are awarded only periodically, and the last series of awards were made only very recently. It is to be noted also that these awards are not promoted by organized propaganda. The Nobel Trustees are keenly alive to the value of everything that is achieved in the various departments of Science, and they certainly will not be left unaware through their system of enquiry of what Dr. Banting has done. It would, therefore, be unwise to join in an agitation which may lead the Nobel Trustees to believe that an attempt was being made to force their decision.

In view of all this McGill University cannot take part in any movement which may appear hasty or which would prejudice the claims of Dr. Banting eventually to the distinction that will rightly come to him.

Yours faithfully,

Principal.