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sidering a proposed programme of work, which Dr. Gruner laid down, it was decided that it was worth while to follow up this programme, especially as the expense for equipment was relatively not great. Dr. Gruner's salary was placed at \$1000, and it was considered that a further \$2000 would suffice to pay all the expenses, including equipment and animals, for a year. Thereupon I wrote to Mr. Molson asking him if he would allow us to take \$3000 out of the \$25,000 donation, or rather out of my half of that donation, for this purpose. Mr. Molson very generously reponded with a cheque for \$3000, which he gave in addition to the original \$25,000. Dr. Gruner began work last June, in the laboratory in the Medical Building, kindly given by the Dean, and he has furnished me with several reports of progress. I append the final report up to date. It would appear that he has been able to advance existing knowledge of the blood as a means of diagnosis of hidden cancer, and we anticipate that before long this work will be completed and will constitute a real achievement.

I am of the opinion that Mr. Molson's gift has been the means of starting work in McGill which is going to be of great value, both scientific and humanitarian. I am greatly pleased that we have been enabled, in the Royal Victoria Hospital, to organize the work on cancer cases, so as to secure the greatest possible benefit to these unfortunate patients; and I am pleased, also, that we are in a way of at least trying to add something new to the scientific knowledge of cancer.

Yours sincerely.

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