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My dear Sir Arthur,

I have just read with great interest Dean Ruttan's letter addressed to you, dated the 13th instant, and now wish to make the following comments. For the sake of lucidity and brevity I have numbered the paragraphs in Dean Ruttan's letter which you sent to me and which I am re-enclosing.

The statements made in paragraph 1 of the Dean's letter are very wide off the mark. The Chemistry course to which he refers dating to the ancient of days in 1885, is the old first year course in mixed Chemistry then given to first year students in Medicine. This ^{Year} ~~course~~, as you will remember, covered the beginner's year in Chemistry, Physics, Biology and English, all of which were then given in the Medical Faculty. Last year, however, the Medical Faculty decided to discontinue this first year in Medicine entirely and to require for admission into Medicine in the future two standard years in the Faculty of Arts. That is the whole issue. Just as soon as Dean Ruttan and the heads of the other scientific departments consent to recognise the significance of that change all our little troubles will be easily ended, but until they do all further