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well in reasearch and some, like Madame Curie, have done very well.

In number six you mention three possible causes which have operated in discouraging women in the pursuit of higher education. Certainly your (a) "the expectation of marriage" has always been a factor and I hope will be a greater factor. Your (b) "lack of financial assistance" we shall always have with us, and in this connection I think the scholarships which Women's societies in Canada have made available have been a splendid thing. As in the past, those to receive them should be very carefully selected, as experience would seem to indicate that a woman who does well in research is somewhat out of the ordinary. With reference to (c) I know that certain prejudices do exist. I have none personally, but even if all restrictions were removed I do not think many more women would go in for higher education or research.

Generally speaking I think that a large enough proportion of our population is to be found at the universities and I do not believe our country would be any better off if all the B.A.s were Ph.Ds.

With all good wishes, I am, dear Mrs.
McWilliams,

Yours faithfully,