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Principal Parker,  
Westmount High School,  
Westmount, P.Q.

Dear Mr. Principal,

I have been very much interested to hear of a discussion concerning the propriety of teaching classics and mathematics in the High Schools, more especially with reference to candidates who will come into medicine. I cannot tell you how gladly we would welcome any co-operation on the part of your School, and indeed all the other schools of this province in this matter.

It has been a matter of frequent observation with us that the students in medicine who do best are those who have started their course with an adequate cultural foundation, and I may add that such students do far better as a group than do those who have specialized early in the biological sciences. It is for that reason that I want to tell you how gladly we would welcome your co-operation in the advocacy of classics and mathematics as a foundation for the medical students. Indeed I often wonder how those students who do not have a classical training can accomplish the feats of memory required