

24th February, 1930.

Dr. C. M. Hincks, President,
Canadian Conference on Social Work,
40 Elm Street,
T o r o n t o .

Dear President,

While greatly flattered by the invitation from you and Dr. Gordon Bates to address the Canadian Conference on Social Hygiene on April 28th, I am obliged to say no. That is not to be taken as showing any indifference to the compliment you have paid me or to the work of the Canadian Social Hygiene Council. I shall always support your efforts to the fullest measure of my ability. But for some time yet it is my intention to refuse to make these public addresses, which always are an unusual tax on my reserve energy. Give me a little more time and I think I shall be able to assume more responsibilities.

Let me say once more that I am very grateful for the honour proffered and that I regret very much to reply negatively to an invitation coming from two men whose capacity and ability and enthusiasm I admire very much.

Ever yours faithfully,