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Dr. Giles B. Murphy,
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Dear Dr. Murphy:-

I beg to acknowledge and to thank you for your letter of August 28th, in which was included a Memorial to myself from the duly accredited delegates from the various McGill Graduate Societies throughout Canada to a Convention held in your City.

Let me say, first, that I am particularly desirous of creating the strongest possible liaison between the University and its graduates. Any steps in that direction must result in building up a strong esprit de corps in McGill's affairs, and unless we have a strong esprit de corps we cannot hope to prosper.

I would like to see these Graduate Societies formed everywhere in Canada and the United States where there are sufficient McGill men to justify their organization; and I regard it as a duty of paramount importance for the University to keep in the closest possible touch with these Societies. Not only are the graduates interested in what the University is doing, but their advice to us should be of very great value, and I, for one, will always warmly welcome it. I think the Governors appreciate this fact, and it has been recently talked about that I shall, probably in the month of October, pay a visit to whatever Societies are in existence at that date in Canada, the New England States and New York. Naturally I am extremely busy here and it may be difficult to find the time to make the trip as suggested, but I believe that such