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Hon. Mr Justice Greenshields
The Court House
Montreal

My dear Judge:

You may remember that I spoke to you a little time ago about the possibility of my applying for leave of absence during the session of 1928-29, and I am now writing to ask you to be good enough to submit my formal application to the Principal, if it meets with your approval.

This is now my ninth year of service at McGill, and I have not hitherto asked for more than three or four days leave during the whole of this period. Meanwhile the Faculty has changed greatly. Nine years ago it was scarcely more than an organisation for supplementing office work by early morning and evening lectures. To-day it is an integral part of the life of the University and has also obtained a certain amount of international recognition. In the achievement of this result I think that I may fairly claim to have done my share; certainly the development of the Faculty meant a great deal of additional work for me during the four years that I was in charge of the administration.

Since coming to McGill I have published two small books, besides contributing extensively--perhaps even excessively--to legal reviews in Canada, England, and the United States. Another book by Professor Corbett and myself will be published next year.