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(Mrs. Marian Francis to Dr. Ogden)

66 McGill Coll Ave., Nov 10 1883.

Dear Dr Obedus

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I am ashamed to see that your pleasant letter is dated Sep 12 I think I must have been doing some of the Rip Van Winkle business. I am glad you have gone in for Sam Mun's & a nice companion at it. With such an incentive the necessary 'money' soon comes & I hear you are fast getting appreciated- as I am sure you must be, as soon as known. - What news have I for you? Mr. C. Fleet(the Lawyer) is the latest Engagement to Miss Redpath- you know W. Dawson is married-There is such a crowd of students this term, & they have a good Glee Club. & sing so nicely, Everything seems looking up at the Coll. the new professors are a great improvement & in sports & studies they are moving on .- Jared Howard is with his Father & quite a help to him- Mr. Cantlie is out of sorts & out of spirits. They are all depressed at the loss of Ally Cantlie the nice little girl with one arm: She died very sadly. Tubercular meningitis, or a form of it I believe he is still with Dr. Buller Cook & his wife are at the Med. Coll. In Skeleton Imbecile Cook's place. Cook, (present) is a swell now & very popular I hear- I only wish you could see the children- they have grown & improved so much. The wee wee, we apology for a Baby is now fat & jolly, full of fun & energy the pet of the house- We call her Beatrice now, as she has to abdicate next month, & be 'Dowager Baby'. The pretty Miss (Gilbert) Scott is engaged to a Dr. she went to in New York for her ears after quarreling with Dr. B. Do you see any Montreal papers? We are yet threatening to go to Toronto next May but I do not know yet how it will end. Dr. O. is going to the Continent for 6 months to pursue his studies! - Did I tell you of the young McLure a Dr's who came to live with him at 80 Union Ave & study medicine- I said he was an 'awful duffer' from first view- He despaired at once- gave up & is going home to the Bahamas! & he had such a good chance-Don't write till you are quite inclined. We have lost sight of Dr. Rogers or rather hearing I hope he is getting on well. Does he write to you? Are you getting Americanized? I see Milwaukee is a growing place; there is a wonderful story about a paralysed girl there, going the round of our papers. With best regards I am

Yours very truly

Marian Francis.