

Le Maine

Spring Range

Dear Sir

31 March 1883

My dear Sir

I have read with
much interest your graphic
account of McGill University
since its foundation in 1828.

It must afford you deep
satisfaction to view it now
so prosperous & have the
conviction, that the chief
hand which achieved this success
was your own.

I was particularly
struck with your concluding
remarks - if ever the head
of an Educational Institution
could legitimately claim a
short period of rest, it is

certainly of yourself —

I have never been quite
satisfied with the half &
half made of royal
recognition of your position
in Canadian letters —
seeing how lavishly titles
were heaped on men, whose
only principal merit more
than one was their success
as politicians. Let us hope this
will yet be rectified —

Will your contemplated
absence precede or follow our
May meeting in Ottawa?

Yours truly
Professor S. M. Dawson
Montreal J. G. Le Roux