

December 17, 1898.

Dear Sir, -

I regret that owing to an earlier engagement I cannot accept the invitation of the Governor, Principal and Fellows of McGill University to be present at the opening of the Macdonald Chemistry and Mining Building by His Excellency the Governor General on Tuesday.

It is an auspicious occasion for the University, and I warmly congratulate it on the possession of generous and thoughtful friends who are alive to the growing requirements of our country. The work which is to be carried on in the new building will not fail to be helpful in a large degree to the development and expansion of our mineral industries.

Yours very truly,

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Director.

Dr. Harrington,

McGill University,

Montreal.