

Radiology
THE ROYAL VICTORIA HOSPITAL
MONTREAL

January 3rd, 1921

Sir Arthur Currie, K.C.M.G.,
McGill University,
Montreal.

Dear Sir:

As you will see by the enclosed copy of my letter to Dr Armstrong, written in May, 1919, I made the suggestion that a course of lectures and demonstrations in Radiology should be instituted at McGill. Owing, no doubt, to financial difficulties, and to the unsettled condition of affairs in McGill resulting from the war, it was not found expedient to undertake such a course at that time.

At the present moment, however, things have become more settled, financial difficulties for McGill have been somewhat relieved, and it is particularly at this time that the thoughts of all who are interested in the welfare of McGill turn to the consideration of what must be done to keep the teaching up to the standard of a first class University.

The subject of Radiology has certainly attained a position of first rate importance. Yet, only very indirect teaching of this subject is given to the students.

Since my letter of 1919 the course in Medical Radiology and Electrology at Cambridge, England, has become an accomplished fact - and, indeed, in July last the first examination was held and some fifteen Candidates granted the new Diploma.

Some similar course should be instituted at McGill.

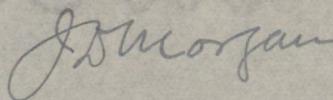
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To begin with a few lectures and demonstrations for the undergraduates in Medicine might suffice - but the ultimate aim should be a post-graduate course, such as they have in Cambridge.

I am sending a duplicate of this letter to Dr Birkett for his consideration.

I remain

Yours very sincerely



M.D.

(Radiologist, Ross Pavilion,
Royal Victoria Hospital .)

THE ROYAL VICTORIA HOSPITAL
MONTREALMay 25th,
1919.Dr George Armstrong
Royal Victoria Hospital.

Dear Sir:

There has recently been constituted a British Association of Radiology and Physiotherapy, the aims and objects of which Association are described in the following paragraph:

" The rapid increase in importance of Radiology, Electrotherapeutics, and other branches of Physiotherapy during recent years, and especially during the present war, and the continual widening of the sphere of their utility in civil and military medical practice, has fendered it necessary that steps should be taken to provide a complete and systematic course of training in these subjects, to co-ordinate and protect the interests of medical practitioners of the same subjects, and to create a standard of efficiency which would increase the status of these special branches of medicine.

With these objects in view, a committee, composed of leading Radiologists and Electrothapeutists of this country, was formed to consider and deal with the subject. The outcome of the meetings of this committee was a decision that steps should be taken for the granting of a diploma, after examination, in Radiology and Electrotherapeutics, at one of the leading Universities. A representation was then made to the University of Cambridge. The proposal was sympathetically received, and arrangements are now in progress which should result in the establishment of a Diploma in Radiology and Electrology. Representations have also been made to the Medical Schools in London and the Provinces with the object of providing the necessary teaching of the subjects for the examination for the diploma. It is also proposed to establish a post-graduate courses of study and research, and to create a British School of Radiology and Electrology, which would be in close co-ordination with similar schools throughout the world.

A meeting of medical practitioners of Radiology and Electrology in this country was called and the British Association of Radiology and Physiotherapy was formed."

A committee, with Sir James MacKenzie Davidson as President, was then elected.

While in London, last spring, I was asked by Sir James and several members of the committee, to go to Cambridge and interview the Vice-Chancellor and other members of the Senate who were likely to be interested in the matter.

Dr Shipley, the Vice-Chancellor, promised every support to the proposal, and called a meeting of a number of influential men who also expressed their approval.

I later saw Sir Clifford Albutt who appeared quite enthusiastic over the scheme. He gave me a letter to Sir J.J.Thompson whom I saw shortly afterwards and who likewise promised his support. In fact - he outlined a possible scheme of study and expressed his willingness to begin the course at once.

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Many details remained to be arranged but I have reason to believe that matters have, since then, progressed satisfactorily. I am expecting to receive, by any mail, further word from Dr Knox as to later developments.

It is the intention of the Association to establish sub-centres throughout the Empire in connection with the Central Association in London, in much the same way as has been done by the Royal College of Music.

It would seem as though the time had now arrived for McGill to take an active part, and to establish a regular course in Radiology.

In my opinion every medical student should take such a course - beginning with the technical part of the subject in the third year, or fourth year, and having a thorough course of lectures on X-Ray diagnosis during the final year.

Every medical man should know at least the principles of X-Ray technique, and should be able to read X-Ray plates. For the latter part of the subject a knowledge of pathological processes is essential, therefore it is suggested that this part of the course should be left to the final year, to be studied along with the clinical subjects. I believe there is enough material for one or two lectures a week during the final year.

I am not at present sufficiently familiar with the final year curriculum to enter into details.

I remain

Yours very sincerely

(Sd.) J.D.Morgan

(Copy)

Faculty of Medicine, McGill University,

Registrar's Office,

Montreal, June 10th, 1919

Dr J.D.Morgan,
127 Cedar Ave, City.

Dear Dr. Morgan,

Your question of the addition of a course in Radiography to the curriculum of the present five year course was referred by the Faculty to the Education Committee. This Committee reported at the meeting on Saturday night that owing to the fact that there was very little time in either the 4th or 5th years it was not possible to introduce any special course at the present time.

After consideration by the Faculty it was recommended that no special courses be undertaken in the present curriculum. In adopting this recommendation, however, the Faculty expresses their appreciation of the value and importance of such instruction and it is the intention of the Faculty to establish such a course in the curriculum of the new six year course. In the meantime it was suggested that possibly you might care to start extra mural courses of instruction in this subject.

Yours sincerely

(Sd.) Jno.W. Scane

Registrar.

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Expenditure	154,000	X 225,000
Income	128,000	* 171,000 →
deficit	\$ 26,000	\$ 54,000

* Does not include Income from Rockefeller grant which for this year will be \$29,000 (7 months interest @ 5%) and for a full year \$50,000

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