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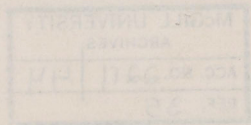
My Lord,

When this reaches  
you that special connection  
with Canada which has  
hitherto exposed every one  
who approaches you to the  
current reproach in this  
country of seeking some  
personal or other advantage,  
will have ceased. I may  
therefore be pardoned for  
expressing to you my  
gratitude for what you  
have done and said  
in this country on behalf  
of the higher education. That

the Federal Government is  
powerless to give any  
substantial aid to  
Literature or Science is  
one of the defects of  
the Constitution of the  
Union; but such  
moral weight as your  
position carried with  
it you have given  
to the good cause

I trust that in  
England you will be  
able to testify that  
in these Colonies there  
is much zeal and

interest in the higher  
intellectual life and  
that if by the con-  
ditions of social  
and political life  
here it is prevented  
from making itself  
very apparent in  
public matters it  
is not the less real,  
and might with great  
benefit to the empire  
be more recognized both  
by the imperial and  
local governments than



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It has been, and also  
by those who may have  
an opportunity of view  
forming the striking  
clashes of England of  
the state of affairs  
in this country

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