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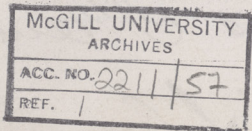
Dear Sir

Your kind note regarding
the Hospital & Miss Macdonald
was carefully read -

There is no doubt but that
Lady is a competent nurse
& capable of directing the
Nursing Department of any
Hospital for the Sick -

But dear Sir her salary
has been too extravagant & has
fast running the institution
into such a debt, that will
if not stopped run it into
either serious difficulty or
Bankruptcy

The whole matter as to
expenditure has been carefully
gone into by thorough



examination in the presence
of the late House Surgeon
Hensley & the House Steward

The result of the whole
is a full Report which had
before the Board of Governors
Subsequently endorsed by
the Committee of Management
who resolved that it would
be painful to the Lady Superintending
in the interests of the Hos-
pital this excess of out
income must stop

Those who have been
long on the Management
& know the facts here
with ^{these} few exceptions unan-
imously resolved to dispense
with the services as also that
of her assistant & to stretch
in other important particulars
as to the internal administration

of the Hospital.

The Committee feel that
they are doing a public duty
and that in a far wider
sense than is generally known
and of course must abide
the result — This I can say
they do without fear in
the best interests of that
humanity institution in which
they have the pleasure of
directing and in whose
interests they give much time
& serious & earnest attention

The work in which they are
engaged is that of the ever
merciful Father who will not
suffer his work to cease for
lack of earnest co workers
with sincere regards for
yourself dear Doctor & for
all your suggestions I remain
Yours
Wm. J. Alexander