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Portland Place  
London.

24 June 86.

Dear Sir William Dawson

Yesterday I cabled to resign  
my appointment. Today I send  
my letter of resignation. Though  
as yet I have obtained no appoint-  
ment, I have thought fit to take this  
serious step. I have not acted with-  
out long and careful consideration  
and a thorough consciousness of the  
responsibilities which I assume.  
I would have liked to put off the  
very difficult process of decision

still further; but I felt that the mo-  
ment I began seriously to contem-  
plate leaving Mr<sup>c</sup> Gill, I ought  
above all things to ensure a fair  
warning to a place which has  
treated me so kindly as Mr<sup>c</sup> Gill.  
You have a right to know my reasons  
for taking this step. They are com-  
plex and my difficulty in coming  
to a decision was lain in the fact  
that scarcely one of them is in itself  
sufficient. On the whole I do not  
care to live so far from friends  
and from much that is prized  
by me, for a salary which is

is sufficient to meet the outgoings  
of my household. This you have  
done your best to remedy, but I  
know that it is a matter in which  
the College is simply unable to satisfy  
me, at any rate for some indefinite  
period. In the second place I do  
not find my work satisfactory.  
I do not like the prospect of teaching  
<sup>elementary</sup> Latin & Greek to students who take  
up those studies so late in their  
educational life. Together with  
these there are minor reasons -  
such as the fact that the climate  
did not seem to suit my wife,  
though writing to you as to one

who has been a kind friend to both of us, I should like to say that the kindness my wife met with from all connected with the College is such that she has been perfectly willing to return had I thought fit to do so.

My salary falls due month by month and I left instructions with Mr Buckenridge (Mr Baines' assistant) to pay it into the Bank of Montreal to my account.

It ought to have been paid in my salary for April and for May ~~\$100 for each~~ \$200 in all.

There is work over due to me a certain sum (amount unknown) for the women's classes of the 2nd year from Dec to May. This is not paid monthly but is for a definite sum for work done and to this I think that I am entitled, whereas I do not think that I can fairly draw a salary for May. My salary for May I will either pay back or retain in place of the sum due for the 2nd year women's classes, which ought to amount to about \$120.

I do not ask or expect your favorable opinion with regard to the wisdom or foolishness of the step I have taken. In this I must be my own judge; but I do very earnestly hope that in severing my connection with the College I am not completely severing a friendship which was accorded to myself and my wife ~~at~~ under circumstances which made it specially welcome.

In my letter of resignation which I enclose with this I give no reasons. Would you be kind

enough to state my reasons if  
required in such form as you  
may think most fitting. If asked  
for reasons on this side I shall  
say "for family reasons," which  
is all that I can say without  
going into details.

I have to thank you for your testi-  
monials. The open one I will not  
use for an appointment towards  
which I could not fairly ask  
the assistance of the College.

This has been a difficult and  
painful letter for me to write,  
as must always be the case

when one is deliberately cutting  
oneself off from those who have  
been good and kind friends.  
Wishing well to the college and  
to all connected with it

I am

Yours very faithfully

J. Mason Mulgan

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