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Re newspaper accounts of appt. to McGill to
succeed Dawson.

Letter to W.O. from Dr. H. C. Wood.

1925, Chestnut Street,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dictated.

Jan. 10, 1895.

Dear Osler,

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Shepard was here a week ago, and told me you were to be elected to McGill, if you would agree to take it. Have you agreed to take it? Must we soon take off our hats to Sir William, and how much small beer must you imbibe before your lithe swarthy form can grow and swell and swell and grow to the proper dimensions of a Brittanic "Sir?" Is there any danger, oh friend of my heart; have you already, oh joy of my liver: forgotten what happened to the frog in the fable? Must you go back to the unclean haunts of your youth? Can the frog not forget the marsh in which he was nurtured, or the eel the mud in which he was first fattened? Is Baltimore sitting in sackcloth and casting ashes on her unfortunate head? Have you added a new torment to Johns Hopkins in his far off home when he sees his labor has been in vain? If so, farewell.

Yours

H. C. WOOD

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