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July 20th 1918

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S. J. Johnston Esq., B.A.
President Sydney University Union
Sydney

Dear Sir,

Your letter of 19th ultimo duly to hand.
I must apologise for delay in replying thereto
as since receiving it I have been very busy
in settling down in our new home.

Please convey to the Directors of your Union
the sincere thanks of Mrs Maguire and
myself for their very kind and thoughtful
congratulations, on behalf of our son,
Colonel F. A. Maguire D.S.O.

We have been very pleased and gratified
with the splendid work which he has been
able to do, on behalf of our beloved
Empire, and with the recognition thereof by
the Imperial Government, as shown by
the promotions and distinction conferred
upon him.

We recognise that his success has been
entirely due to the keen interest taken
in his training by all the professors
under whom it was his good fortune

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to work while at the Sydney University.
He, too, fully realises this, and always
speaks, in the most affectionate terms,
of the kindness and assistance shown
and given to him while with you.

His mother has promised to obtain
copies of the photographs which you
require, and forward them to you later.

In many of his letters he has spoken
in the highest terms of the Officers, who
have served under him, and as many
of them are graduates of our University
I shall endeavour to select those
extracts which will be interesting to you
and forward them at earliest convenience.

He has also written some fine thoughts,
from an Australian point of view, on
the war and events generally.

Some of these I will send along also.

Believe me dear Sir

Yours very sincerely

W. F. Maguire