

54 The Driveway, Ottawa, Dec. 3, 1923.

Sir Arthur W. Currie,G.C.M.G.,K.C.B. Principal, McGill University, Montreal, P.Q.

Dear Sir Arthur;-

In reply to your letter of Nov. 30th, I would like to point out that you are evidently mistaken as to the parties who are responsible for the question of extra mural or post graduate studies. You are not dealing with the Ottawa Valley Graduates Society but the Professional Institute of the Civil Service When Mr. K. M. Cameron, Chief Engineer of Public Works, spoke to you at our Graduate Society Banquet in the House of Commons Restaurant, over two years ago, he was speaking to you as president of the Professional Institute of the Civil Service. I believe they appointed a committee at that time and some communication took place between it and McGill University of which you are no doubt familiar. Mr. Cameron wrote me a letter this spring asking me to use my office as Secretary of the Graduates Society to bring this matter before the parent Society in Montreal, This I did . The matter was again brought up at one of the Professional Institute Council meetings a couple of months ago and Mr. Cameron was asked to present a report on extra mural studies at the annual meeting on Dec. 4th. Mr. Cameron wrote me and asked me to prepare the report for him, as I was more familiar with what stage matters had reached. This I have done from your last letter to me. Therefore it remains for the Professional Institute to discuss the matter at the Annual meeting and their new executive to act according to their wishes. They will no doubt communicate with you if they see fit.

According to the Graduate Society Constitution an annual meeting takes place in the second week of January, and we will no doubt expect to have a speaker or speakers from McGill. We have an executive meeting on Thursday. Trusting this will explain matters more clearly.

I remain,

Yours very truly,

Robert C. Berr Hon. Sec. Treas