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Sir Arthur Currie, G.C.M.G.,K.C.B., Principal.

Dear Sir Arthur :-

After thinking over your letter of Dec. 9th regarding the difference in the relative numbers of McGill and Queen's graduates who apply for Civil Service positions under the Dominion Government, I am inclined to think that this difference does not arise so much from any lack of information on the part of our graduates as from their attitude towards Government positions.

My own experience is that it is rather hard to interest a graduate in a Government position even although he has no other immediate prospect in sight. Colleagues who have been active in placing graduates say the same thing. Broadly, our graduates think that the chances for promotion in Government service are less, and also that in a considerable number of positions the experience they are likely to get does not fit them particularly well for other lines of work should they desire to make a change. I feel that there is considerable foundation for both of these opinions. I have information on hand regarding the earnings