

7th March, 1921.

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House of Commons,
Ottawa, Ont.

Dear Mr. Cronyn,

We have had at McGill for some time a students' Canadian Club and this winter have had a great many disappointments in our efforts to obtain suitable speakers. Some of our leading Canadians have disappointed us, and personally I think they have made a mistake in doing so. For instance, Mr. Mackenzie King put us off by saying that he had not time, yet I heard many bitter comments from students regarding his having recently spent a week in Montreal attending dinners, tea parties, etc., and yet being unable to speak to them. Sir George Foster has also put them off, yet he found time to speak to a women's club in Montreal.

These young men at McGill today are the men of the business and the political world of tomorrow, and I think it bad politics to ignore them. They have spoken to me of their disappointments and I have undertaken to try and get a few of our leading Canadian public men, now attending the Session of Parliament at Ottawa, to come down and speak to them. I thought of yourself, Dr. Michael Clark and Mr. Stevens, of Vancouver, and I am writing to them a similar letter.

These meetings are held at five o'clock in the afternoon and it is possible to return that night to Ottawa, but if you should come I would like you to be my guest for dinner and to put up at my house during your stay in the city.

If it is at all possible to oblige us, I am sure we shall be very grateful.