

Colonial Office Appts

September 28, 1926.

Arthur P. Sladen, Esq., C.M.G.,
Government House,
Ottawa.

Dear Mr. Sladen:-

It is with regret that I forward to you the enclosed copy of a letter received from the head of our Department of Mining Engineering. It contains a complaint concerning a delay in the transmission of documents resulting in serious prejudice to an extremely promising young man.

I need not remind you that when the Secretary of State for the Colonies decided upon the policy of naming Canadians to posts in his office, the matter was regarded as of sufficient importance to warrant him in making a personal visit. It was indicated at that time that if the system were to be a success, all concerned must co-operate to the best of their ability. So far as I know, the University has fulfilled its obligations in this regard. Here unfortunately is a case where someone has evidently failed. Mr. Walter was an exceptionally good candidate; it is quite evident that a delay at some point has not only prevented him from obtaining a good position, but has lost the Colonial Office a valuable servant.

I am sorry to trouble you, but in view of the formal nature of this complaint I have no option but to ask in all deference that the matter be investigated and that I be advised as to the result.

Yours faithfully,

Principal.