

John Lane, Esq. - 2 -

No. 3 being a copy of your letter written from the University Club, Montreal, dated the 8th of November last.

To No. 2 you attach certain suggestions. In these suggestions you say that presentation copies were to be sent to 160 newspapers, as arranged by Mr. Murray Gibbon, and you go on to say that this was done 'by the approval of Sir Arthur Currie, whom I advised myself by letter'. I cannot understand how you can make such a statement, because at no time did I give my approval to your suggestion and at no time did you advise me by letter of that arrangement.

In the second place, let me again remind you that my telegram to you in Toronto was that we would take the 1500 books, providing they were here by October 13th. The 1500 copies were not here by October 13th, nor for quite a number of days afterwards; and yet, in your letter to Dr. Macmillan, dated the 7th of November, you speak of my 'repudiating the arrangement'. It was you who first broke the arrangement, not I.

I also think that the last paragraph on page 1 of your letter to Dr. Macmillan contains a phrase which is uncalled for. That phrase is underlined in the copy which I am sending to you. The University did not pay for the dinner which took place at the Windsor Hotel. The cost of that was borne by the graduates who bought tickets for that dinner. The University was not concerned with 'the costly revels at this hotel'.

I also wish to say that the books have not yet been removed from cases A., B., C., D., and E. These cases should contain 1400 volumes. It is to be hoped that that number of books will be found in the cases, but, as far as one can observe without actually taking the books from the cases, there does not seem to be quite that many.

Yours faithfully,