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Gen. Sir A. W. Currie, GCMG., KCB., &c.,
595 Sherbrooke Street West,
Montreal.

My dear Sir Arthur,

I hesitate, knowing how fully you are occupied, in bringing a matter like the following to your attention. I believe however, that you are personally interested in Lieut.-Col. Eric McDonald and will be anxious to assist in helping him to secure a position.

Herridge and I have been trying to secure a position for Eric at Ottawa, but although we have appealed to several different Departments, up to the present have not been successful. I enclose herewith two letters, one from McBrien and one from Eric McDonald, which will show you that there is very little to hope for from the Department of Militia & Defence.

A thought has occurred to me that you may be willing to speak on behalf of Eric to Lord Shaughnessy, Bank of Montreal, Sir Charles Gordon, or some other influential person in Montreal, who could give Eric a suitable position.

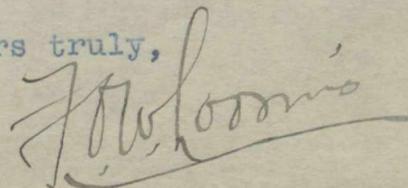
If you think well of the suggestion, it may be desirable to first secure from Col. McDonald a letter setting forth his capabilities and experience in civil life. If you so desire me, I will secure such a letter from Eric.

I understand that Eric has been out of work since demobilization and that his present position is rather critical. He is living with his father who is a clergyman in Wolfville, N.S., and has a very small salary. I first heard of Eric's difficulties from Archie Mac at Kingston. Eric's father had written to him explaining the situation.

I am very sorry to hear that Lady Currie was indisposed. I hope however, that she has now recovered. You must both be looking forward to the Summer Holidays for a much needed rest and relaxation.

With very kindest regards, believe me,

Ever yours truly,



F.O.W.L/P.