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Sir:

Following the conversation I had the honour to have with you yesterday, I am glad to assure you that it would be very greatly appreciated by the Italians living in Canada, as well as by all my country and my Government, to see the McGill University commemorate, some time during the course of the present year, the sixth centenary of Dante's death. The name and the works of this great Italian reach far beyond the national limits of Italy and are rather the ideal patrimony of all men on the earth who love culture and beauty. For this reason, this event is being celebrated by all the civilised world with pious veneration and heartfelt gratitude.

I know that Canada, which, during my stay here, I have learned to love and praise for her high civilization and culture, will join heartily in this world celebration and I think that McGill University with

General Sir Arthur Currie, G.C.M.G., K.C.B., LL.D.

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