

*Royal Canadian Mounted Police,*  
*Office of the Commissioner,*

*Ottawa,* April 26th, 1933.

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Dear Sir Arthur:

1. I have received your letter of the 22nd April, with regard to the steps being taken in McGill to investigate the parasite question in Canada, and the desire of Professor T.W.M. Cameron to obtain entrails of fur-bearing animals of northern Canada for examination.

2. After perusal of your letter and the copy of the "McGill News" you kindly sent, I am of opinion that it would be well to acquaint Mr. H.H. Rowatt, Deputy Minister, Department of the Interior, with the information you have given me, so that the whole Government organization in the North West Territories and Yukon Territory may be brought to bear, and that the necessary permits, etc., may be given to the police to obtain such specimens as you may require, without having to first secure licenses. The question of the cost of shipping out the entrails from remote points could also be considered.

3. Insofar as the North West Territories are concerned, the Deputy Minister of the Interior is the Commissioner of those Territories, and there is a Council, of which I am a member, which co-operates with him in deciding policies in those Territories, and I consider your plan would be effectively dealt with if you wrote to Mr. Rowatt along the same lines as you have given me for the consideration of the Council. I may add that I am quite willing for this Force to obtain such specimens as Professor Cameron desires, providing the North West Territories Council will co-operate.

4. Insofar as the Yukon Territory is concerned, this Force will also be willing to act with the Yukon Council if the Deputy Minister, Department of the Interior, will give the necessary instructions to that Council.

5. I am not sure whether the matter I shall now refer to is in connection with parasitology, but for several years past, considerable havoc has been wrought amongst sleigh dogs in the North West Territories, and this Force, as well as the North West Territories Council, has co-operated with the Department of Agriculture to endeavour to discover a preventative. The Department of Agriculture has done everything