April Twenty-fourth 1923.

Dr. Gordon Laing, Dean, Faculty of Arts, McGill University.

Dear Dean Laing :-

With reference to your letter of April 23rd and the Departments of History, Political Economy and Romance Languages, you have my authority to give Professor Williams the assurance that next year's estimates will include a sum of \$500. to provide him with a Reader.

As to Dr. Leacock's request, I have already approved of a letter which he has addressed to England offering a position as Assistant Professor at, approximately, \$3,000. a year. I understand perfectly that there will be included also the sum which was set aside this year for a graduate fellow.

As to the Department of Modern Languages, I know of a new development which is likely to take place concerning one of the officers at present in that department and before giving any authorization for the Assistants I would like to discuss the matter either with you or with Professor du Roure. You may confirm the authority already granted to him to secure an Assistant Professor at \$2,500. a year.

Yours faithfully,

Principal.