

It was thought that certain soil in the Eastern Townships lacked organic matter. Instead it was found that just the opposite was the case; that these soils had so much organic matter that they were podsolized or "constipated". We have been the first in Canada to study parasite problems in animals, and this problem vitally concerns the province, for the lack of knowledge upon the matter is costing the province hundreds of thousands of dollars a year. We have done four years' work on the subject, with promising results, but we have not the funds to make more rapid progress.

I may also say to you that Dr. Collip, the eminent scientist and our professor of Biochemistry, who made the great discovery recently, is now devoting more attention to the prevention of abortion in animals. These studies are suggested by the researches which led to his wonderful discovery. Suppose that Collip is successful again. Would that not increase the agricultural wealth of this country many hundreds of thousands of dollars? Does he not deserve encouragement?

I think if an examination were conducted of the contributions which Macdonald College has already made, it would be found that they far surpass those made by other agricultural colleges.

From the report in this morning's GAZETTE it would appear that Mr. Perron proposes to spend \$600,000 to help the two agricultural colleges at Ste. Anne de la Pocatiere and Oka. The report goes on to say that \$500,000 was needed for the establishment of a warehouse in Montreal and that it was proposed to help La Societe Co-operative Federee Des Agriculteurs to the extent of \$750,000. It mentions that there are three agricultural colleges in the province, the third being the one at Ste Anne de Bellevue. But it is only proposed to help the first two.

I am unwilling to believe that this report is true, and as the representative of the Protestant interests we look to you to see that fair play and justice is given. I know that we shall not look to you in vain.

With all good wishes,

I am,
Ever yours faithfully,

Principal.