

*Letter of  
from Mr. S. Duncan  
of Macdonald (type)  
- John Lay*

Personal

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Dear Mr. Duncan:

I am sorry not to have had an earlier opportunity of thanking you for your very kind letter of July 29th, and its enclosure. After my return to Ottawa from Toronto, at the time of the Canadian Crops Round, one obligation followed so closely upon the heels of another that, until today, I have had little or no chance for anything in the way of personal correspondence.

It was indeed kind of you to permit me to see the letter from Mr. Halliester, Manager of the Ontario Branch, and to write me as you did of John Lay. I am delighted to know that he has made good in the way he has, and that he gives promise of being the right man in the right place.

I was visiting my sister, Mrs. Lay, and her husband, on Friday afternoon last, and I took with me your letter and its enclosure, to permit Mr. and Mrs. Lay to read them. Naturally, they were much delighted to know that their boy had measured up as he had.

It would seem that John has found just the kind of work to which, from the time of his entering university, he had been looking forward, and for which, while there, he sought to prepare himself. I shall be greatly surprised if you do not find him equal to such further opportunities as may come his way.

King, Rt. Hon. William Lyon Mackenzie (MG  
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