



The Hon. and Rev. H. J. Cody, D.D., LL.D.
President

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Sir Arthur Currie, G.C.M.G.,
Principal, McGill University,
Montreal.

My dear Sir Arthur:

general file

I have just had a talk with Professor Chester Martin, head of our department of history, on the subject of Mr. Fisher's projected "History of the Parliaments of Great Britain and Ireland". I have given him the copy of your reply to Mr. Fisher. As a matter of fact Professor Martin has received no communication whatever on the subject from either Mr. Fisher or Mr. Buchan, so that we are entirely in the dark as to what definite proposition is before us. Professor Martin tells me that we cannot at the moment finance adequately similar researches into the history of our own Parliaments in Canada. It would be quite impossible under present circumstances to finance the necessary expense involved in carrying out such an undertaking as Mr. Fisher has suggested to you.

Professor Shotwell's proposal about research into American and Canadian relations is definite and practicable. I understand that it is rapidly assuming form.

In regard to Mr. Fisher's proposal we would be very glad to have from him further information on both the financial and academic sides before we could make any definite decision.

With kind regards, I am,

Yours sincerely,

H. J. Cody
President.