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

My dear Principal,

I am returning herewith Dr. Parmelee's letter to you, dated  
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the 15th instant, and now to make the following statement.

The McGill Matriculation Board eliminated Physiography or Physical Geography from the subjects recognized for matriculation two or three years ago, and I do not think that there is any probability that this subject will be placed on the list again at any early future date. Under our new organization in the Faculty any proposal of this kind would come before the Committee on Admissions and Matriculation Standards and I do not think that this Committee is likely to reverse the decision of the Matriculation Board. Two things at least must always be kept in mind in making up a list of recognized subjects for matriculation purposes: First, the thoroughness with which these subjects are taught in the schools, and secondly, the facilities offered in the University for continuing studies in these subjects. Physical Geography or Physiography is not taught in the University at present and judging from my past experience I should say that the work done in this subject in the schools is not the equivalent of the work required in Physics and Chemistry. I have no doubt about the value of the subject if thoroughly taught in the schools and I should like to see instruction given in Geography in the University. But, until these two conditions are fulfilled I should not feel disposed personally to recommend that this subject

For Huronville  
Clark Mead.  
Mackray's Comment  
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