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Department of Militia and Defence,

Ottawa, Canada,

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My dear Sir Frederick,-

Replying to your letter of April  
the 11th:

I regret to say that I failed to  
get Eric McDonald the position which I had hoped  
for.

We expect to have another vacancy  
offered to us by the War Graves Commission, but  
it is uncertain as to when this will be. It may  
be one month or three, or more - no one can tell.  
In the meantime, there is really nothing that I  
can think of that would be at all suitable. The  
Minister has told me that he will give McDonald  
the next vacancy in the War Graves Commission,  
should one be offered to us. I shall keep my  
eyes and ears open, and should anything suitable  
turn up, I will do my best to secure the appoint-  
ment for him.

Respecting your letter of April the  
5th, regarding Major Cunningham: I have taken the  
question of an appointment for him up with the Ad-  
jutant-General, and regret to say that there is ab-  
solutely nothing open, except a few vacancies for  
Subalterns, which probably would not attract him, and  
at any rate, these are being held vacant at present  
owing to lack of money in the Permanent Force Vote.

It is most difficult to get anyone  
an appointment these days. I would be glad to help  
both McDonald and Cunningham but unfortunately we  
have no vacancies into which they could be put.