503 Mount Pleasant Avenue,
Westmount, Que.,
October 12th 1923.

Dear Sir Arthur:-

At an executive meeting of the Historical Club of McGill University held this week it was the wish of those present that the Principal and Vice-Chancellor of the University be Patron of the Club, and I was asked to secure your gracious permission.

The Historical Club, which is said to be the oldest and one of the most respected clubs at McGill, is undergoing a process of thorough reorganisation this session, which, it is hoped, will increase its worth. Membership has always been considered a privilege, being limited to twenty-five male students proceeding to a university degree who have a real interest in historical matters.

Professor Basil Williams has very kindly consented to be Honorary President, and will deliver an address at the initial meeting to be held at his residence, entitled, "Canada's Debt to Parkman," on October 23rd. Dr. Fryer and Professor Waugh are Honorary Vice-Presidents.

The Club will each fortnight this session in the homes of members of the Department of History, and of prominent Montreal citizens, as, Eugene Lafleur, Esq., K.C., Hon. Lorne C. Webster, etc. It is hoped that one meeting will take place in the Royal Victoria College, in conjunction with the Historical Club there. A new constitution has been drawn up, the membership carefully selected, and an attractive programme chosen, the majority of subjects being current problems which will be treated from an historical point of view. Among them will be:-"The Imperial Conference", "The Immigration Question in Canada", "The Japan of To-Day", "Islam, Past, Present and Future", "Christianity--Present-Day Tendencies", "Is Democracy Doomed?", "The Possibility of an Anglo-Saxon Commonwealth of Nations", etc.

Trusting that we may receive a favourable reply,
I remain,
Yours very truly,

L.C. Tombs.

President, Historical Club of McGill University.

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