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

My dear Principal,

I have received your note of yesterday and now wish to say that Dean Laird probably referred at the recent meeting of the Protestant Committee to a remark which I made to him recently that the most of our bad failures in the Freshman Year during this term were coming from outside the Province. I have just made up a list for my own information of the twenty-five poorest students in their term tests this session and ten of these come from our own matriculation and school leaving examinations and fifteen from outside examinations. The figures are:-

McGill Matriculation ...	10
Ontario	8
University of Montreal .	2
British Columbia	2
Nova Scotia	1
Alberta	1
Cambridge, England	1

This is probably too small a number to judge from, but I shall make out a list of 50 for this year and for the whole of the Freshman Class last year at the regular May examinations for your information. I had some fairly accurate figures three years ago on this subject and our own students showed at that time a slight advantage. I am inclined to think that further figures will show that this advantage has distinctly increased during the last two or three years. I need