

THE DEPARTMENT OF



TRADE AND COMMERCE
CANADA

OFFICE OF THE MINISTER

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Sir Arthur Currie,
Principal and Vice-Chancellor,
McGill University,
Montreal, Que

Dear Sir Arthur:

I have your letter of the 29th instant regarding the Civil Service examinations which are about to be held in connection with the appointment of a Fruit Commissioner. I am sorry to say that I shall have practically nothing to say in the matter until after the Civil Service Commission have made their selection.

If it should happen (which is rarely the case) that the selection is for some reason contrary to the best interests of the Department, I could reject it, in which case the next most successful candidate would be appointed by the Civil Service Commission, and so on. You will see, therefore, that it is a question of merit and I can assure you that Professor Bunting will certainly have a fair show in this matter.

I understand that there is quite a number of very competent men who are applying, and I am sure of this, that out of the half dozen or more that will head the list, one could be satisfied with the selection, so it is purely and simply a case of the best man wins.

Yours sincerely,