

I hurriedly prepared a statement, which I handed to you. This was done on my part with the intention of arming you with definite figures in order that you would be able to understand the situation thoroughly.

With reference to the letter you wrote me on July 20, 1931, which arrived here during my absence on vacation, but which was placed before me by Mr. Currie on my return, I wish to say that while it is true I did not answer the letter in writing, I nevertheless went to see you regarding it. I think you will recall the visit when I tell you that at the time I pointed out that I could not answer your letter, not knowing Dean Barton's meaning.

As you will remember, Dean Barton was away on sick leave until the latter part of August, and when he returned your letter was referred to him; he undertook to give you full particulars, and I quite understood that he had done so.

As a matter of fact, when I saw you with reference to this matter I told you that the only information I had concerning it was that we were then in the act of clearing off some of the trees on the College Farm.

The previous year we advanced to the Stock Farm the sum of \$500.00 to pay for the cost of cutting down these trees, with the understanding that when the wood resulting from this operation was sold, the \$500.00 would be returned. This was done, and we now have lying to the credit of this Wood Account, as we call it, the sum of \$1300.00 odd, which is earmarked to be used for the removal of the stumps when they have sufficiently aged to allow of this being done easily.

Since the receipt of your letter I have discussed the matter with Prof. Bunting, and he tells me that he had reported to Dean Barton that the land he had referred to was bush lots on the College farm, the Campus and some of the farm land which produced much less than \$50.00 per acre per year, - the farm land in question being used for experimental plots and hay crops etc. This land, compared with Horticultural Department land, naturally is not expected to return the same income per acre.

However, I take it from your letter that you have in mind that some of the land referred to by Dean Barton and Prof. Bunting could be used in connection with the proposed ranges for the Poultry Department. None of this land would be suitable for the Poultry Department without a great deal of expense being entailed; first, new fencing and drainage would be an expensive proposition, and there is the lack of water facilities to be considered.