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Sir Arthur Currie,
Principal's Office,
McGill University,
Montreal, P.Q.

My dear Sir Arthur:

The Medical Faculty is organizing a public function in celebration of the Centenary of Lister's birthday, on April 5th. Dean Mackay has kindly granted permission to use the Moyses Hall from ten to eleven on that morning. The Committee in charge, of which I am Chairman, decided yesterday afternoon to ask if you would be so kind as to act as Chairman at that meeting. Your particular duty would be to introduce Professor John Tait, who has been elected to give the oration, the title of which is "Lister as Physiologist". Tait has done special work in this direction. He says that Lister's reputation as a physiologist has received scant attention in history, and he proposes to rectify this. I think his address will create extremely favourable comment, especially in England, and that it will add to the prestige of our University. His part of it will occupy three-quarters of an hour, and if you occupy ten minutes we shall be comfortably out of the Hall before eleven o'clock, at which hour Dean Mackay informs me the Hall is needed for somebody else. We do hope that you will be able to accept.

In addition I might say that it is likely that the function will be recommended by our Committee as an annual one,