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General Sir Arthur Currie, G.C.M.G., K.C.B.,
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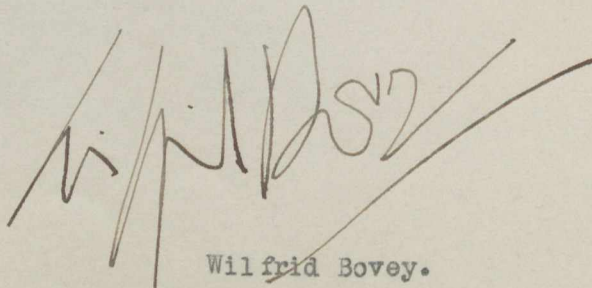
My dear General:-

We are having a most unpleasant time with Percival and the last development is the black-mailing telegram of which I send you a copy. I am sorry to bother you with this on your holiday, but it seems as if it should be dealt with. Matthews has drafted a letter to Percival and I have drafted one to the Prime Minister. You will find both of these enclosed.

There seems to be no doubt that some mistakes have been made in the School Leaving examinations. This is too bad, and if Percival likes to be nasty, will make some unfortunate local publicity. We do not know what the mistakes are or how serious they are, but I cannot think that mistakes made by those professors who dealt with the examinations could have any particular effect on the University.

I do not believe that with this extraordinary telegram in our hands Percival will venture on any publicity, but if he does, perhaps it is better to go through with whatever must be gone through. It seems to me that he should be got rid of. I hear that he has been rubbing all the French people in Quebec the wrong way. This is why I ventured to suggest that we should communicate with Taschereau at once.

Yours faithfully,



Wilfrid Bovey.

I heartily approve.

J. H. Matthews.