

Sir Arthur Currie -  
from Frank D. Adams

MEMORANDUM concerning a meeting of certain members of McGill University and certain representatives of the Pulp and Paper Industry held in the Office of General Sir Arthur Currie on the afternoon of December 13th. 1922.

Representatives of the pulp and paper industries expressed themselves as interested in two kinds of research:-

(1) Fundamental research in which the properties and character of cellulose - which material is the basis of their industry - are studied. This they think could best be carried on at the University.

(2) Investigation directed to the solution of the various problems which are continually presenting themselves in the manufacture of pulp and paper, together with investigations looking to the improvement of the processes which are at present in operation. This they think can best be done at an institution such as the Forest Products Laboratory.

They are of the opinion that the Forest Products Laboratory should remain in Montreal and not be removed to Ottawa. They state that they have obtained comparatively little benefit from the work of their Laboratory up to the present time, not on account of any fault of the Laboratory as an institution, but owing to the fact that it has been impossible to retain the services of able men to direct the laboratory, this in its turn being due to the fact that the salaries paid in the Forest Products Laboratory are so small that so soon as a man showed that he had marked ability he was at once offered a much larger salary by one of the great pulp and paper