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OTTAWA, May 9th, 1921. CANADA

Lieut.General, Sir Arthur W. Currie, G.C.M.G., etc., Principal, McGill University, MONTREAL, Que.

Dear Sir: -

I am very much interested in the Commercial Courses which have recently been organised by the leading Canadian Universities. Looking over the syllabus of the course at McGill University, I may be wrong, but it seems to me that it is perhaps more particularly adapted for those intending to pursue the professions of Auditors and Accountants than any other class of business. I have been thinking it over for some time and have wondered whether been thinking it over for some time, and have wondered whether you would be averse to broadening your Commercial Course, by including certain subjects which would make it equally useful for those intending to follow a more purely commercial career, such as manufacturing or that of an export commission merchant.

I hope you will not think my proposal to be too much of a liberty, but would have you believe that I am solely actuated by a desire to increase the commerce of this country, and to see it established on a secure foundation. At the present time, we as Canadians, are much too slipshod in our methods, and it is my opinion that Canadian Universities can do a great deal to overcome this, by inculcating in the minds of those students who intend to follow a business career, those principles upon which true and lasting success can only be obtained.

Yours faithfully.

Director,

Commercial Intelligence Service.

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