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Sir Arthur Currie, L.L.D., K.C.M.G.  
Principal of McGill University.

Dear Sir Arthur Currie.

In case the University is considering further building, I wish to lay before you the claims of the Architectural Staff of the University for professional employment.

In other Universities it is customary, to my personal knowledge, to give such employment to architect members of the staff on the grounds that it is desirable that the teachers of Architecture should be kept in active touch with the practical side of their profession and that this is best done by having them engage to some extent in the design and erection of building.

McGill University has on her Staff four architects, Professor Nobbs, Mr W?E.Carless, Mr P. Turner and myself. We are all fully qualified architects, Fellowa of the Royal Institute of British Architects and Members of the Province of Quebed Architectural Association. Professor Nobbs and Mr Turner are at present in practice. Mr Carless and myself were for many years in practice, previous to taking up teaching.

Professor Nobbs and Mr Carless both served in the war. Mr Carless served four years overseas, of which two and a half were spent at the Front, in the Artist Rifles, the Canadian Engineers and the Canadian