

November 10th, 1927.

Rev. Arthur H. Moore,
President, University of King's College,
Halifax, N. S.

Dear President Moore:-

Let me acknowledge receipt of
your letter of November 3rd.

Your request places me in a
very embarrassing position. There is no doubt
that any conversation I ever had with the High
Commissioner never left me with the impression
that he was anxious to see a large influx of
immigrants to Canada. He has said on more than
one occasion "Why do you want immigrants in Canada?
Canada is a happy country and a prosperous country.
In fact, the people there are better off than the
people in most countries, so why make conditions
harder by bringing in immigrants?"

The High Commissioner might,
of course, regard this as private conversation
and might very properly consider that I was guilty
of a breach of faith and good manners if I were
to take any action which would make a possible
private conversation public. Whenever and wherever
I have heard discussed the incident in which you
and Mr. Larkin were involved I have stated that I
was quite sure the Rev. Moore was in the right,
but to give you a letter which you could use in a
public way is an altogether different matter.
The objection Mr. Larkin would undoubtedly take
to any public statement by me might be justified
in view of what I have stated above, for his