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Physics, Mechanics, Civil Engineering, Electrical Engineering and Mechanical Engineering. If a Mathematical Board is constituted, it seems to me that not merely one, but several of the Departments related to mathematics should be represented on it.

While making these observations on the Mathematical Board, I may say that I am not convinced of the necessity for its existence. The Department of Mathematics is governed and regulated by the Faculties under which it works and by Corporation. I think that all the good that can be hoped to be attained by means of any Mathematical Board can be more directly attained, and attained under possibly happier conditions, through friendly, if informal, interchange of ideas between the members of the Department of Mathematics and the members of other Departments. It may also be observed that under the latter method of functioning the Department of Mathematics will be in precisely the same condition of dignity and independence as is enjoyed by the other Departments of McGill University.

I remain,

Yours sincerely,

*D. A. Murray,*  
*Chairman Department of mathematics.*

*P.S. Dear Sir Arthur,*

*If you wish it or think it necessary, I shall be very  
pleased to confer with you further on this matter.*

*Yours sincerely,*  
*D. A. Murray.*

*Professor Eves' letter is returned herewith.*