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Sir Arthur Currie, Principal, McGill University, Montreal.

My dear Sir Arthur-

A young Dane named Langballe came to Montreal over a year ago. He has been engaged on various jobs of somewhat humble character. I have seen some of his letters, and he seems to be a man who is apparently of very excellent character. From what he tells me he is a graduate in Arts of the University of Copenhagan where he studied for seven years, but lack of funds prevented him from completing his medical course. He tells me that he speaks German, Danish, Norwegian and Swedish, and he speaks English with an accent. He reads French but cannot speak it fluently. I have been trying to get him a position more in keeping with his education but have so far failed.

Knowing your ever willing readiness to help young men, I wondered if you happened to know of a position where a man knowing the Scandinavian languages, having studied philosophy, etc. as well as several years of medicine could be profitably employed? He would finish his medical course if he could finance it. It would seem to me that in a Cosmopolitan City like this, a linguist should find useful employment. The Scandinavians make excellent settlers in Canada, they are the very best that we can have, they quickly assimilate, they are industrious and reliable.