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University Club of Montreal.

8th Nov. '21.

786 Sixth Avenue, New York.

To Sir Arthur Currie

Dear Sir:

In accordance with our verbal understanding this day regarding "The Story of McGill, 1821-1921" by Professor Macmillan I have pleasure in sending you the enclosed suggestions in the form of a letter to Mr. Macmillan which I wrote yesterday. It is more convenient for me to give you a copy of this letter than to embody it in any other form, as I am away from my Secretary, so I hope you will excuse its informality. Were I to leave it over until I returned to New York you would not receive it in time for Thursday's meeting.

In addition to the list of desirable recipients of the work named in the enclosed list I wish to add the names of the distinguished men who have received honorary degrees, but above all to the many subscribers to your recent appeal for funds. This has been suggested to me for the following reasons:-

1. In September last on my return to New York I met in the train a Montreal man with whom I conversed about McGill to whom I mentioned that I was publishing the book and I expressed the hope that he would acquire a copy. He said, "well, perhaps the University will give me a copy as my firm has recently subscribed a large sum". I think he said \$100,000, certainly \$50,000. 'Any way' said he 'who was or rather what was Peter McGill?' I said 'James McGill was from Scotland and he was in the fur trade'. His reply was 'I am from Scotland and I am in the fur trade'.
2. Since last Sunday I have chanced to meet 3 subscribers to your fund, but on my inquiring if they had the book I was told by two of them that they were waiting to have a copy given them and they further indicated that they were getting rather tired of giving. It seemed to them that McGill was a charity, but I pointed out that nearly all universities, colleges and