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Sir Arthur Currie,
Principal,
McGill University,
Montreal, P. Q.

Dear Sir Arthur:

One of the continuing activities of the Canadian National Committee for Mental Hygiene is that of surveying the mental hospitals of the Dominion. And it is interesting to note that, during the last thirteen years, the Committee has been successful in fostering humane and scientific methods of treatment and in stimulating governmental appropriations to the extent of twenty-five million dollars for the enlargement and improvement of institutions.

Under separate cover there is being mailed to you a confidential report of a survey of the Falconwood Mental Hospital, Prince Edward Island, conducted in 1931 by two members of our staff - Dr. Grant Fleming and Dr. W. T. B. Mitchell. The study reveals a rather sad state of affairs and indicates the need for such continuing work on the part of the Committee.

Just at the time the report was being submitted to the Government of Prince Edward Island a disastrous fire demolished Falconwood Hospital. After the disaster the Minister of Health of Prince Edward Island requested the National Committee to collaborate with the Government in the planning of a new institution.

This confidential report is being sent to give you an opportunity, if you so desire, to familiarize yourself with this phase of our work - a work that is important because approximately thirty thousand of our fellow Canadians are in mental hospitals.

Very sincerely yours,

C. M. Hincks
Clarence M. Hincks,
Director.