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Sir Arthur Currie
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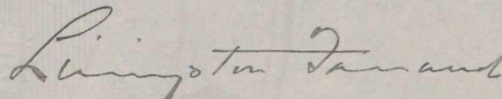
Dear Sir Arthur:

Upon my return to my office this morning I find your letter of December 9th, which has already been acknowledged by my secretary. It is very hard not to accept an invitation from McGill University, but I frankly confess myself in difficulties from two points of view. First, I am hopelessly out of the running for Fridays in February on account of absence during the greater part of the month on a trip to the Pacific coast, and secondly, I would feel myself entirely incompetent to speak on the particular topic you mention.

I am deeply interested in the whole problem of public health and therefore realize the importance of industrial hygiene. I have not, however, given the close and detailed attention to that field which would warrant my speaking upon it in such a course.

I appreciate greatly your courtesy in asking me and regret deeply that I must put aside the honor.

Very sincerely yours,



Livingston Farrand