

September 23rd, 1931.

Dear Captain Lascelles:-

The Montreal Orchestra Association was organized last year and was responsible for arranging a series of orchestral concerts in His Majesty's Theatre. The inception of the work was really due to Dean Clarke of our Faculty of Music who has, for the last year, acted as conductor of the orchestra. The performances improved continuously and have received the very highest praise from all who heard them, either over the radio or directly. Indeed, the orchestra is definitely stated by experts to be second to none in Canada and few elsewhere. The present chairman is Mr. E. R. Decary, who is being succeeded by Mr. E. W. Beatty.

As honorary president I have been requested to ask Their Excellencies for the honour of their patronage and I trust that they will be willing to grant this.

Yours faithfully,

Principal.

Captain A. F. Lascelles,  
Private Secretary to the Governor General,  
Government House,  
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