

*To Mr. Harrison
Please suggest
reply Antwerp*

From
Commandant Comte de MALEISSYE-MELUN,

PARIS, 26. RUE BARBET-DE-JOUY. VII^E

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June 7th, 1924.

Dear General Currie,

I am most grateful indeed for the kind proposition you make for my son and his cousin, Gaston de Lévis, to promise them board & lodging at your Agricultural Colleges. It is very good of you to remember my connexion with the Canadian Corps and to make my son benefit of it.

I should have answered your kind letter sooner, had it not been that I wanted to talk it over with Gaston de Lévis & my son. I did not have the opportunity for it till the end of their course at the Cavalry-School and the leave they enjoyed before joining the Regiments where they have been appointed as Reserve Second Lieutenants. They are going to carry on their last six months' service in this position, that is until the end of November.

They might be able therefore to join Macdonald College by the end of this year but it would mean arriving in winter when they are not accustomed to the climate. As you kindly suggest their coming over during the good season, I think the best would be for them to leave France after Easter, by the middle of April, 1925. So did also Brutinel, as a matter of fact, advise me to let them do.

I have carefully read through the report & announcement concerning Macdonald College which you took the trouble of sending me with your letter. My son & his cousin have been for two years at the Ecole Supérieure d'Agriculture at Angers, and they have got there a fair knowledge of the scientific part of Agriculture: they wish to acquire at Macdonald College more practical experience, and a more thorough one too, especially in dairying, animal husbandry, poultry breeding, and horticulture, and get acquainted with up to date methods of stock breeding & farming. Would it therefore be possible for them to follow a selective course, as suggested on page 50 of the announcement? and how long would it mean?

You kindly add to your offer of receiving them at Macdonald College that of providing them with a wider experience. May I ask what you think might ^{be done} in that way? Should you care sending them to other Government's farms or to private farms?

Anyway I feel confident Gaston de Lévis & my son will enjoy in Canada under your kind and so able tuition a most useful and pleasant time and acquire both knowledge and experience in Agriculture. And last but not least, they will learn to know those Canadians whom you led to victory and make friendships that will last.

*Believe me, dear General, Currie,
Yours very sincerely,
Comte Maleissye-Melun*

Lieut.-General Sir Arthur W. CURRIE, G.C.M.G. K.C.B.