



Halifax, March 11, 1930.

Major General Sir Arthur W. Currie, G.C.M.G., &c.,
President, McGill University,
Montreal, P. Q.

Dear Sir Arthur:

I deeply appreciate the honour conveyed in the invitation contained in yours of the 7th, which is just at hand, and I only wish I could accept as it would be a real pleasure to participate in the debate under the circumstances as outlined by you. Unfortunately, I have no option in the matter.

It is very difficult for me to be absent in what might be termed an ordinary Session, but this year we have some unusual legislation of a major character. On the 21st of March I will be in the midst of a debate on a Government Control measure which I have to sponsor and, in addition, have to prepare and present the Budget.

To save you the delay involved in awaiting receipt of this letter, I thought it well to telegraph you.

May I repeat how sorry I am that I cannot foregather with you and express the hope that both the dinner and the debate will be abundantly pleasant and successful. May I also take this opportunity of telling you how delighted I am to know that your health is so greatly improved.

With kindest regards and all good wishes.

Faithfully yours,

ENR:CM.