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General Sir Arthur Currie, G.C.M.G. Principal, McGill University Montreal, P. Q.

My dear General Currie:

A week ago to-day I left Montreal, returning to Toronto by way of Ottawa. It was impossible for me to absent myself longer as certain business connected with the 1924 meeting of the B. A. A. S. was not being attended to. I understood that there was to be a meeting of the Quebec Cabinet on Thursday, July 12th and, if I remember rightly, informed you to that effect.

Montpetit who was expecting to go out of town. He was to make arrangements to have me informed by telegraph of the action taken by the Cabinet, and he was also arranging to have Monseigneur Piette get into touch with yourself. I have heard nothing. If the Cabinet has decided unfavourably, one is, of course, at liberty to go ahead and orient the Congress in any way he will. If the Cabinet has taken no action whatever, I presume that one is justified in regarding himself as equally free. If the Cabinet has actually taken favourable action, we are, I suppose, under obligation to make arrangements for the meeting in Montreal.

Because of the sequence of events, I shall not be greatly disappointed if the Montreal project falls through. In view of the probable outcome, I have provided myself with authority to invite the Congress to meet in Toronto but am holding the matter open until I know precisely what the status of affairs is in Montreal and in order to be sure that I do the fair and square thing by everybody. I shall funk no-